





# TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Please check one of the following community experiences:

- I want the full living and learning experience where I will live with other community members with my same major/field of study in the assigned Residential Learning Community Hall and enroll in the required blocked courses assigned to the community (Residential Learning Community).
- I want to enroll in the required blocked courses assigned to the community only and will reside on-campus where assigned unless I meet an off-campus exemption and receive approval to reside off-campus (Learning Community).
- I want to participate in Military Science.

Learning Community programs are year-long commitments. To participate in these communities, the student:

- 1) Must obtain *Regular* admission at TSU (<http://www.tarleton.edu/admissions/>).
- 2) Determine if a Residential Learning Community is right for you! To experience the full benefit of a community, apply for housing (<https://rms01.tarleton.edu:84/>) and reside in the Residential Learning Community Hall,
- 3) Submit this application and essay to Residential Living & Learning, T-0280, Stephenville, TX 76402
- 4) Enroll in the specified course sections in the “block schedule” during both Fall and Spring semesters unless pre-approved by Residential Living & Learning and Student Success. A listing of the courses included in each community is available at <http://www.tarleton.edu/housing> or by contacting Residential Living & Learning ([housing@tarleton.edu](mailto:housing@tarleton.edu); 254-968-9083).

## ESSAY

Your essay should be typed and doubled-spaced with an overall length of approximately **500** words. Include your name and Tarleton ID Number at the top of each page. Your essay will be evaluated on spelling, grammar, and how completely you explain your thoughts. TSU promotes the values of civility, integrity, and diversity. Your essay should address how you will implement these values throughout your college career as you pursue your degree in your field of study. How will this experience propel you in your efforts to accomplish these goals? Include what you hope to gain from the experience, as well as what you will add to the community.

## PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER

In order to be considered for a Learning Community program, by **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010** you **must**:

1. Receive “**Regular**” acceptance to Tarleton State University for the Summer or Fall 2010 semester.
2. Submit to Residential Living & Learning your completed application and essay.

**Remember, there are only 24 spaces available in each community!**

- Attendance at one of the Texan Orientations is a requirement (*more information about Texan Orientation registration will follow soon*).
- If you are selected to be in the program, you will receive an official letter of offer along with a Code of Conduct contract.
- Students placed in MATH 100 or ENG 100 will be evaluated on an individual basis for admission into the program. Students placed in MATH 100 or ENG 100 are encouraged to participate in our FORGE community also available

Students who are accepted into the Residential Learning Community program will be allowed to move in early for the Fall semester. Early Move-In consists of moving in a day before the rest of the freshman class and participation in interactive activities such as:

- 1) Luncheon for the students and their family members with faculty and staff
- 2) Ropes Challenge Course
- 3) Ugly Mug painting for future

**I understand and agree to abide by the requirements of the 2010-2011 Learning Community.**

Signature

Date

