



College of Natural & Agricultural Sciences  
**CNAS Freshman Scholars Learning Communities**  
 Application & Contract



Please note that there are two sides to this form, which must be filled out in their entirety. Please make sure you thoroughly read and understand the program requirements found in the contract on the back of this form prior to signing-up for this program. Limited space is available to qualified students, who will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Unfortunately, CNAS Scholars is unable to accommodate students enrolled in University Honors and Intercollegiate Student Athletes. **By turning in this application, you are choosing to enroll in CNAS Scholars.**

**STEP 1: Student Information:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Legibly) Student ID: \_861-\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ UCR R'mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Residence Halls:** I acknowledge that if I live in the Residence Halls and choose to join the CNAS FSLC, then I may be matched up to live in CNAS Scholars themed residence hall (subject to availability). I have applied to live in the UCR Residence Halls: Yes  No

**STEP 2: WHAT IS YOUR MATH PLACEMENT:** NOTE: See your Academic Advisor with questions

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>MATH 9A</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>MATH 8B</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>MATH 9B*</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>MATH 9C*</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>MATH 8A</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>MATH 5</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>ARC 35</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> I took the MAE <u>yesterday</u>				NOTE: If you are planning to take the course you checked above at UCR this summer, please indicate that here: <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> In order to complete your CNAS Scholars registration, you will need to register to take this course tomorrow.		
<input type="checkbox"/> I have <u>not yet</u> taken the MAE and have no Math Placement yet.						

\* MATH 9B/9C Placement is based on Calculus AP Scores or Transfer Credit. All other Math Placements are based MAE or Transfer credit.

**STEP 3: WHAT IS YOUR UCR MAJOR:**

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| <b>Mathematical Sciences</b>                        | <b>Physical Sciences</b>                       | <b>Life Sciences</b>  |  | <b>Undeclared</b>                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics                | <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry             | <input type="checkbox"/> Biochemistry                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Microbiology  | <input type="checkbox"/> Undeclared Life Sciences     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Math for Secondary Schools | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Biology                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Neuroscience  | <input type="checkbox"/> Undeclared Math              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Statistics                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Geology               | <input type="checkbox"/> Cell, Molecular, Developmental Biology | <input type="checkbox"/> Plant Biology | <input type="checkbox"/> Undeclared Physical Sciences |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Geophysics            | <input type="checkbox"/> Entomology                             |  |   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Geoscience            |   |  |   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Physics               |   |  |   |

**STEP 4 – (OPTIONAL): EARLY RESEARCH ENGAGEMENT OPTIONS:**

There are a few "Early Research Engagement" options that you may be able to enroll in, if desired. Please select one if interested. If your choice is no longer available, we will place you in the next best alternative.

- Genomics Focus:** Includes special BIOL 20 Lab experience, substitutes for BIOL 5LA: The Dynamic Genome.
- Chemistry Focus:** Includes special CHEM 95 Lab experience, that is an add-on to CHEM: Explorations in Molecular Science
- Sustainability Focus:** MATH 9A placement only, includes Sustainability themed Chem discussions all year, add-on discussion in Spring

**FOR STAFF USE ONLY:** (Print Legibly)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Confirmed Math: MAE / AP, \_\_\_\_\_ Staff Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Error:  A: No Math  B: Summer Bridge  C: ARC 35  D: Full  E: Reg Hold  F: Wrong Math

**NA** \_\_\_\_\_



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*Dear CNAS Scholar,*

*Congratulations on choosing to participate in a CNAS Freshman Scholars Learning Community (FSLC). The CNAS Freshman Scholars Learning Community Program is a one-year, highly-structured program. Prior to joining, you must agree to all of the following terms and sign the contract below.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that I have elected to participate in, and complete, the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences Freshman Scholars Learning Community Program (CNAS FSLC) and agree to the following terms:

1. I am committing to participate in the CNAS FSLC for my entire freshman year, which is designed to enhance my learning experience and improve my academic performance.
2. Completing the CNAS FSLC over the entire year will make you eligible to apply for a Summer research stipend as a CNAS Scholars Fellow through Research in Science and Engineering (RISE). You may only apply to participate in RISE if you are a part of CNAS FSLC all three quarters of your first year.
3. Scheduling of my FSLC courses throughout my freshman year will be made by the Program Coordinator, according to the degree requirements for my major. Once I am notified of the schedule for those courses, I am to schedule any non-FSLC courses, as necessary.
4. I cannot modify the FSLC schedule on my own. NOTE: This Learning Community schedule is firm, and individual components (such as labs, discussions, lectures) cannot be switched to other sections while you are in the CNAS Scholars program. The only way you can change these components of your schedule are if you:
  - a) Opt Out of the Learning Community (not recommended)
  - b) If space is available in a parallel Learning Community with an alternate schedule, we may be able to switch you. This is highly unlikely.
5. I will attend all required and announced courses, seminars, workshops, SI sessions, meetings and events associated with this program.
6. I will check R'mail daily for announcements associated with this program, and I will promptly reply to all email requests sent by the FSLC program.
7. I acknowledge that if I live in the Residence Halls and choose to join the CNAS FSLC, then I may be matched up to live in CNAS Scholars themed residence hall communities (subject to availability).
8. I agree to participate in the evaluation process CNAS uses to assess the effectiveness of the CNAS FSLC. I acknowledge that this will include my own completion of program assessments and evaluations, as well as the departmental analysis of University-accepted Academic Success Indicators (i.e. GPA, retention, etc.).
9. If I change majors during my freshman year, I will notify the Coordinator, who may have to remove me from the FSLC.
10. I understand that I must earn a "C-" grade, or higher ("S" in NASC-093 or equivalent), in the CNAS FSLC courses.
11. I understand that failure to meet the requirements above, or withdrawal from an FSLC course(s) may result in my being dropped from my FSLC courses and being removed from the program.

I have read the terms described above. I understand that by signing below I agree to abide by the contract terms above for the CNAS Freshman Scholars Learning Communities program.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_