College Life at Union

Special Programs

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Union University is committed to the two-fold purpose of academic excellence within a strong Christian environment. The goals of the College Life at Union Program embrace both aspects of this purpose. Using a wide range of cultural and academic experiences, the program is coordinated to give each student the tools to develop his/her full academic and spiritual potential. Freshmen discuss Union’s heritage and affiliation with Southern Baptists as well as the need for ongoing spiritual growth as an integral part of scholastic achievement. Integrated in this program is a unique process of discovering motivational patterns which have been entrusted in each student according to God’s purpose for his/her life.

College Life at Union consists of two one-hour courses which foster student success at Union. Freshmen are required to take CLU 111 during their first semester and CLU 112 during their second semester.

Students in CLU 111 discuss Union’s academic programs and how to plan effectively for successful completion of the requirements for graduation. CLU 111 not only aids in the understanding of the Union community and its traditions but also allows the development of significant relationships with other freshmen.

CLU 112 is designed to assist students in discovering and understanding how they are uniquely gifted. Application of these gifts will be an invaluable tool as students impact people and circumstances at school, work, community and church. Confidence is gained through a process which allows students to recognize their strengths and enable them to more effectively make academic and career decisions.

The Transfer Orientation Program, administered by Retention, is an introduction to activities and services available to transfers. The no-cost, no-credit voluntary program is offered as a half-day informal seminar at the beginning of the Fall and Spring Semesters. It provides information about Union’s programs such as academic requirements, tutoring, social opportunities and regulations, career counseling, library services, the Catalogue, and the Campus Life Handbook.

Course Offering in College Life at Union (CLU)

( ) Hours Credit; F-Fall; W-Winter; S-Spring; Su-Summer

111. College Life at Union I (1) F, S
An introduction to the experiences of college life at Union University which promotes adjustment to academic development, cultural appreciation and spiritual growth. Required of all full-time “first-time” freshmen and transfers with fewer than 12 hours earned. Graded Pass/Fail.

112. College Life at Union II (1) F, S
An opportunity for the discovery of personal gifts, talents and strengths with application to the student’s decisions in academic and career choices. Required of all freshmen in their second semester. Graded Pass/Fail.

195-6-7. Special Studies (1-4) On Demand
Lower-level group studies which do not appear in the regular departmental offerings.