

Frequently asked questions * Rosalind Franklin

What are Linked Courses and the benefits? Linked courses are classes with the same cohort of peers. In addition to other courses that you will take in your first semester, you will be automatically enrolled in FIGS: Exploring Careers in the Sciences. All the students in this course will be a part of the Rosalind Franklin House. Linked courses will inevitably foster a community of peers that you can rely on. Seeing the same faces will create a sense of familiarity which will make it easier to form study groups, ask questions and make friends.

What is a FIG? This is a one credit pass/no credit course designed to expose students to different careers in the sciences. It is a ten week course that meets once a week, taught by an upperclassmen who is an expert on the subject. In addition, the FIG provides resources for transition to college setting by providing information on health and wellness, academic services and much more!

Is there a fee for joining this learning community? There is no fee for joining this learning community! You will get all the added benefits of the Rosalind Franklin house at no extra cost!

Will I live with other first-year students? Yes! Each suite will house six students. While the Rosalind Franklin house serves both first and second year women, each suite will be divided according to class year. Note that first year students will get the added benefit of this residence hall: Winkler Hall is a residence traditionally for upperclassmen. It is a 4-story building with an elevator. Rooms are carpeted; and have computer access and provide cable tv. In addition each suite has its own bathroom and living room.

Are there extra course requirements for this learning community? With the exception of the exploring careers in the sciences FIG, there are no extra course requirements for this learning community.

Are there extra programs I would be required to attend? There will be a special AIMS orientation in the fall one day prior to regular new student orientation that you will have to attend. Supplementary programs will be offered to all members of the community but these are **not** mandatory. They are there for those students who truly want to pursue an interest in a particular area.

Are tutoring services offered as part of this learning community? Yes! There will be peer mentors in residence to support your transition to university, tutoring services once a week and opportunities to interact with a graduate student with a STEM background.

What is the time commitment? With the exception of the special orientation in the fall, there is no time commitment for the program.

How does joining this learning community impact my first-year experience? By joining the Rosalind Franklin Learning community you will be a step ahead of your peers who wish to pursue a science, technology, engineering or mathematics major. It will provide you with the boost you need to be successful in your career early on!

Why should I join the Rosalind Franklin house? Meet students with the same academic interests- make friends faster!, Live in a traditionally upperclassmen residence hall! Get connected to Rutgers resources!

When will I know if I have been accepted into the Rosalind Franklin house?

Your application will be reviewed and confirmation of placement into the program will be by July 15, 2009. E-mail rulc@echo.rutgers.edu with questions.

For additional information about the Rosalind Franklin House, please visit:
<http://rulc.rutgers.edu/rosalind.shtml>