

# Fullerton College STEM

## Fullerton College STEM 2 Success Learning Community

The STEM 2 Success Learning Community (STEM SLC) is dedicated to bringing together students who are pursuing an education and career in the fields of *Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics*. Our learning community is a great opportunity for motivated students to pursue an efficient pathway to their academic goals in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.

### Why Join the STEM 2 Success Learning Community?

STEM majors face challenging coursework and rigorous preparation in competitive pre-professional and high demand areas. This first-year learning community attempts to alleviate some of these difficulties by providing a supportive environment that will assist students to be successful and persist in their chosen majors. Benefits include:

- A learning community that provides a supportive environment for STEM students to assist one another in adjusting to rigorous coursework and the culture of higher education
- Small class sizes only open to members of the learning community
- Supplemental instruction and study groups that reinforce new concepts to encourage course success
- Specialized academic counseling and referrals to other suitable academic enhancement programs
- Potential to complete required coursework more efficiently promoting quicker graduation and transfer

### STEM Program at Fullerton College

Participation in the STEM SLC includes being a part of the larger STEM program at Fullerton College. This provides a variety of benefits available exclusively to our students:

- Participation in undergraduate research, internships, and service learning
- Access to available scholarships and financial aid information
- STEM field experience opportunities and on campus seminars

### Eligibility Requirements

- Open to incoming freshmen to Fullerton College who have applied for the Summer and Fall terms
- Take the Fullerton College Course Placement tests by **June 2nd** unless exempted by AP or college coursework (if you have taken AP courses, we require advisement by a Fullerton College counselor to determine which assessments are exempted) or you have been unable to secure an appointment time to take your assessment due to unavailability of dates. NOTE: Applicants will not be disqualified solely based on assessment scores, but placing below 100-level may limit eligibility to take offered classes.
- Attach an unofficial copy of your high school transcript, AP scores if available, and your Fullerton College Placement Test results to this application (if available at the time of submission).

Return completed applications by email to STEM Counselor, Jon-Michael Hattabaugh: [jhattabaugh@fullcoll.edu](mailto:jhattabaugh@fullcoll.edu). Applications received by **June 2nd** will be given priority consideration. Seats are limited so don't delay; please turn in your application with supporting documents as soon as possible. Please refer to the information at the bottom of page 3 of the application.



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## STEM SLC 2017-2018 Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
                    First                                    Middle                                    Last

FC Student ID#: @ \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                    Street                                    Apt. No                                    City/State                                    Zip Code

Cell phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Home/Work phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the best way to contact you?    Email            Cell phone    Home/Work phone

**Are you a first generation college student?** *(You are first generation if neither of your parents has completed a college degree, even if they attended some college).*    No    Yes    Unknown/Decline to state

List all high schools and colleges you have attended. (Use weighted GPAs, if applicable)

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates attended: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

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Cumulative high school GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ College GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you taken a high school equivalency exam (such as the GED)?    No            Yes

Have you taken or are you planning to take an AP (Advanced Placement) test?            No    Yes

List tests and known scores: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Will you have college credit when you begin the program?    No    Yes   What courses? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

List all STEM related courses you have taken or are taking. Indicate Honors or AP courses.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What major(s) are you planning on pursuing?    Biology    Chemistry    Physics

Computer Science    Engineering            Mathematics            Undecided

Other(s) \_\_\_\_\_

What are your educational goals? (Select all that apply)            Associate's Degree    Bachelor's Degree

Graduate Degree    Teaching Credential            Other(s): \_\_\_\_\_



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What colleges/universities are you considering for transfer? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours do you plan to work each week while attending college? \_\_\_\_\_

How many units are you planning to take each semester?    1-9    10-11    12-14 15 or more

Which time(s) are you available to take classes? Mornings    Afternoons    Evenings    Weekends

## Application Essay Portion

Please attach a typed document with your responses to the following questions. .

1. **Write a brief summary of your background.** Give a description of your personal and academic experiences and how they have led you to Fullerton College. What involvement have you had in extra-curricular activities and what have you taken away from these experiences? You may mention volunteering, club membership, leadership roles, work experience, and/or hobbies in this response.
2. **Why are you applying to the STEM SLC?** What do you hope to get out of this program? What do you plan to contribute? Which STEM careers are you considering, and why? What are your personal, academic, and professional interests and goals?

## Privacy Release and Program Commitment

I understand that if selected to participate in the STEM Cohort Experience I will agree to the following and maintain the following requirements:

- Participate in at least two STEM sponsored activities or workshops each semester
- Enroll in the courses offered by STEM unless granted exemption due to special circumstances
- **Maintain at least a 3.0 GPA in Fullerton College courses**
- Meet with the STEM counselor at least once a semester
- Turn in Academic Progress Report once a semester
- Utilize tutoring services available on campus
- Allow Fullerton College counselors and faculty to (1) access, share and discuss your academic progress and academic/career goals; (2) contact your instructors throughout the semester to verify your progress; (3) request information, feed-back, and recommendations from you on how the STEM program can better serve you and provide individualized assistance; (4) agree to participate in group and individual photographs for academic and information purposes and to sign the Fullerton College photo release form.

Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Signature to be collected at Mandatory Orientation once accepted into the program\*

**Attach a copy of your unofficial high school transcript and Fullerton College Placement Test results to this application. Note: if you have not yet taken the FC assessment test due to being unable to get an assessment date appointment your high school transcript will be used to help determine your level of math ability. Questions? Contact Jon-Michael Hattabaugh: [jhattabaugh@fullcoll.edu](mailto:jhattabaugh@fullcoll.edu) or (714)-992-7251. \*If having trouble filling in this pdf form, you can also scan and email or fax completed application to (714)-992-9917. Thank you.**

