



UNIVERSITY OF  
**NORTHERN COLORADO**

Learning through Engaging Acts and Practices (LEAP) Program

Hello University of Northern Colorado's LEAP Student!

We are very pleased that you will join the LEAP Program. This program is funded by the University of Northern Colorado (UNC).

This document collects information from you, provides descriptions of what you will experience as a LEAP Scholar at UNC, and your commitment.

Please follow the directions on each page, and sign and date each page. Please scan (or take a picture) and email this document to Melinda Gurule, LEAP Program Coordinator [melinda.gurule@unco.edu](mailto:melinda.gurule@unco.edu), or mail the document to University of Northern Colorado, c/o Melinda Gurule, Center for Human Enrichment, Campus Box 85, Greeley, CO 80639

This document must be received by June 10, 2019.

Please complete the following information (print):

Your First and last name \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Your cell phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Your email address \_\_\_\_\_

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***Commitment of Understanding of LEAP Program Opportunities***

**Directions: Place your initials on the line before each statement indicating that you have read and understand the statement.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ The goal of the **LEAP Program** is to create a community that provides resources, experience and support to make sure that you are academically successful in your pre-health program at UNC and ready for your future.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Participate in the 2019 LEAP Summer Bridge Program is June 20-23, 2019. During the summer program, the program will cover your on-campus expenses. This program will provide important time for you to meet your fellow LEAP students, coordinator, peer mentors, and faculty. You will participate in team building so you feel comfortable with the LEAP community, explore the campus and support services, meet you Biology and Chemistry Faculty, and participate in research.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Participate in the LEAP cohort which is a group of like-minded freshman who have similar long term goals. During the academic year, you will take most of your classes with other LEAP students which will make it easier to find study partners and succeed during your freshmen year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Take a college success course during the Fall semester. This class is designed to help you successfully navigate the exciting and at times challenging first semester of courses. At UNC, we have high expectations for you (and for your future) and want to provide a supportive academic environment that helps you maximize your potential now and in the future.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Work closely with the **LEAP** Peer Mentors, **LEAP** Coordinator, LEAP Academic Advisor, and **LEAP** Faculty throughout the academic year. These people will help ensure that you access tutoring resources, tackle problems, and simply provide support and advice. You will get to know these people very well.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Interact with members of the community, industry, and healthcare systems who will provide professional development opportunities for you. These people are doing what you plan to do, so come, interact, and plan your future!
- \_\_\_\_\_ Explore additional research opportunities with faculty and graduate students.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Attend guest speaker engagements and workshops to provide you with more information about the fields of BIO/CHEM.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Attend one-on-one meetings with your LEAP Coordinator at least two times per month.

**Directions: Please print your name in the spaces below, and sign and date indicating that you understand the program's opportunities.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print first and last name) agree and understand the importance of the Commitment to Participate with the Learning through Engaging and Authentic Practices (LEAP) program. I am fully committed to the LEAP Program and understand the importance of the program to me and my success at UNC.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT**

As a member of the Learning through Engagement & Authentic Practices (LEAP) Program at the University of Northern Colorado, you need to be fully committed to the program and understand your responsibilities. Please read your commitment:

1. I will follow the University of Northern Colorado's Standard of Conduct, knowing that a violation of these standards could result in dismissal from LEAP Program.
2. I understand that I must be a full-time undergraduate student enrolled in at least 12 credit hours in a Biology or Chemistry program each semester-eligible terms (renewable up to four years). I further understand that my cumulative GPA must remain at **2.75** or above. If my GPA falls below **2.75**, at the discretion of the LEAP staff, I will be given at least one semester to show progression with a positive upward trend. In addition, I understand that the LEAP program is here to help me to succeed and I will comply and utilize the resources available to me and advised for me for student success.
3. I know it is important to attend the mandatory meetings with the LEAP Coordinator, Peer Mentors, Academic Advisor, and Faculty and attend workshops/events **and** complete any program assignments. One of the key components of the LEAP program is to build a relationship of trust with the LEAP staff so that I will maintain an active presence in the programs of BIO/CHEM AND LEAP. The LEAP Coordinator is here to support me through my academic journey.
4. I understand that due to the nature of this program; communicating with my LEAP Coordinator is important and expected. I agree to utilize office hours for faculty/staff, the LEAP Coordinator, and Academic Advisor. I understand that the LEAP Coordinator is here to advocate, support, and serve as a liaison through my participation with the cohort. I will also keep an updated current address and phone number to the LEAP Coordinator.
5. I understand that as part of my participation in the program, I am responsible for checking my UNC Bear email account **at least two times a week**. I will respond to text messages or phone calls from the LEAP Coordinator for updates, reminders and general information or inquiries.
6. As per Family Educational Rights and Privacy ACT (FERPA) guidelines, by participating in LEAP, you are agreeing to allow school officials to view your academic records and tutoring records.

Please complete the following:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Print first and last name) have read the above statement and will abide by it as a member of the Learning through Engagement & Authentic Practices (LEAP) Program, beginning in the Fall 2019.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of LEAP Coordinator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date