

PROGRAM FOR ADVANCEMENT OF LEARNING

The PAL Legacy: We value learning differently.



The PAL Academic Course

PAL 1190: The Learning Process, 3 credits

- Scheduled academic course
- 2.5 hours per week
- 1:1 & Small Group
- Students carefully matched with PAL faculty learning specialists
- Individualized Curriculum
- Curry coursework and student learning are the focus of PAL



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TEACHING MODEL

- Mentoring
- Relationship-Based
- Strengths-Focused
- Strategies-Focused
- Holistic
- Process-Based

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LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Metacognition
- Self Regulation
- Active & Engaged Learning
- Critical Thinking
- Expressive & Receptive Language

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CURRICULAR COMPONENTS

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| Learning Profile | Time Management |
| Diagnostic Review | Reading |
| Applied Learning Assessments | Writing |
| Self-Advocacy | Note-Taking |
| Learning Strategy Instruction | Test Preparation & Test Taking |
| Organization | Speaking |



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The PAL Department

PAL Faculty & Personnel

- 30 Professors
 - Masters & Doctorates
 - Over 500 years service to Curry College
 - Diverse expertise
 - Legacy of revolutionizing higher education
- 5 Staff
 - Admission Team
 - Administrative Assistants
 - Assistive Technology Center Coordinator



PAL Students

- Enrolled in PAL
 - 300 current students
 - 15 - 20% of each incoming Curry Class
 - LD, AD/HD, Executive Function challenges
 - Average to Above-Average Intelligence
- Working in PAL
 - 20 Peer Mentors
 - 15 Peer Mobile Learning Tutors
 - 2 Student Workers

VALUE-ADDED PAL PROGRAMMING

Responsive Experts & Interactive Infrastructure



Technology Enhances Learning

- ▶ Assistive Technology Center
- ▶ Testing Accommodations Center
- ▶ Learning Spaces Designed from Student Feedback
- ▶ Wifi-Enhanced Collaborative Spaces
- ▶ Student Projection Capacities
- ▶ 3 Computer Labs



ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

ADA Support through PAL

- Extended Time
- Distraction-Reduced Setting
- Text-to-Speech Software
- Speech-to-Text Software
- Alternative Texts
- Lecture Notes
- Smart Pens
- Lecture Recordings

PAL PROGRAMS

Academic Advising
PAL Faculty approach advising as relational and developmental with a focus on learning profiles.

PAL for Multilingual Students

Culturally-responsive programming for students who speak more than one language and have learning differences.

iPAL

Comprehensive AT Curriculum - collaborative mobile learning on a multi-solution device - iPad and apps included.

Learning Cohorts

PAL sessions and shared coursework linked with academic majors, careers, and special interests.

PAL PROGRAMS

PAL Applied Strategies Sessions

Faculty-guided, student-directed evening and weekend sessions.

Peer Mentoring

Upper-level PAL course grounded in research and theory that matches upper-class PAL students with incoming students.

Study Abroad & PAL

Study abroad in person or virtually with a PAL faculty learning specialist; Fall 2017 in Ambielet, France.

CURRY RESOURCES

Campus-Wide Learning

- ▶ Professionally-Guided Study Hall (17 hours per week)
- ▶ Content Tutoring
- ▶ Writing Tutoring
- ▶ Speaking Center

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