

## Experiential Learning at Lewis

### *An Overview for Academic Advisors*

Experiential learning (EL) is a type of teaching and learning through which students **actively engage** in real-world experiences and **meaningfully reflect** on their learning. At Lewis University, all undergraduate students participate in EL.

#### EL REQUIREMENT

Student Type	Credit Hours	Requirement
Traditional undergraduate	29 or fewer	Complete at least three (3) EL opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least one (1) EL opportunity must be course-based</li> <li>• Applies to students matriculating in August 2022 or later</li> </ul>
Undergraduate transfer	30-89	Complete at least two (2) EL opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least one (1) EL opportunity must be course-based</li> <li>• Applies to students matriculating in August 2023 or later</li> </ul>
All other undergraduate students ( <i>i.e., adult degree seekers, 3+1 programs, transfers with 90+ credit hours</i> )	Various	Complete one (1) EL opportunity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EL opportunity may be course-based or co-curricular</li> <li>• Applies to students matriculating in August 2023 or later</li> </ul>

#### WHERE TO FIND EL INFORMATION

All approved EL courses are included in the catalog each year; however, the most up-to-date location for approved EL courses and co-curricular experiences is the Experiential Learning Opportunities page on the [website \(https://lewisu.edu/experiential-learning/el-opportunities.htm\)](https://lewisu.edu/experiential-learning/el-opportunities.htm).

#### REGISTRATION

Students can register for course based EL experiences during the course registration process. All EL courses will be marked with an “EL” attribute on the course schedule. *Please note that DegreeWorks may not have the most accurate information.* When in doubt, check the EL website or course schedule for approved EL courses.

Students seeking to complete a [co-curricular EL opportunity](#) should work directly with the supervisor/ advisor to participate. At the conclusion of the semester during which the student



participates, the supervisor/ advisor will submit the *Experiential Learning (EL) Non-Course Experience Completion* form and submit it to [EL@lewisu.edu](mailto:EL@lewisu.edu). This document is available on the EL website under “Resources for Advisors and Supervisors.”

### **MORE INFORMATION**

For more information about the EL program, visit the experiential learning [website](#), which is updated regularly with information about experiences and resources. Additional questions can also be directed to [EL@lewisu.edu](mailto:EL@lewisu.edu). And, finally, you are welcome to reach out to program administrators with questions, concerns, or feedback: Laura Wilmarth Tyna ([wilmarla@lewisu.edu](mailto:wilmarla@lewisu.edu)) and Dr. Laura Franklin ([lfranklin3@lewisu.edu](mailto:lfranklin3@lewisu.edu)).