

Leadership Studies Program

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The mission of the Leadership Studies Program is to educate the minds and hearts of those who practice leadership. The program will make a significant and unique contribution to the study and practice of leadership through its integration of principles and theories of leadership with the transforming nature and the moral authority of Christ. Students will acquire knowledge and skills informed by the emerging and related collaborative and transforming leadership theories. The program teaches a perspective on world need that is broad, inclusive and empathetic.

Requirements for a Leadership Studies Minor (19)

Required core courses:

LS 250	Principles of Service and Leadership	3
LS 350	Transforming Leadership	3
LS 401	Leadership Seminar	1

3 semester credits from the following:

LS 490	Internship
LS 455	Chaos Theory, Leadership and Management
GE 330	Community Leadership Training
RE 196	Young Life Leadership

Supporting curriculum: (choice of 9 semester credits) 9

Special Topics:

LS 196	Special Topics in Leadership Studies
LS 396	Special Topics in Leadership Studies

Business and Economics: (no more than 6 semester credits)

BU 315	Funding and Grant Writing
BU 351	Group Dynamics
BU 374	Principles of Management
BU 425	Organizational Behavior
BU 450W	Social and Ethical Issues
BU 455	Chaos Theory, Leadership and Management
EC 425	Economic Development

Communication Studies: (no more than 6 semester credits)

JMC244	Publicity and Public Relations
SP 323	Organizational Communication
SP/RE 336	Communication in Ministry
SP 355	Parliamentary Procedure
SP 362	Argumentation and Debate
SP 387	Rhetorical Criticism
SP 398	Intercultural Communication
SP 493	Communication Ethics

English, Politics and History: (no more than 6 semester credits)

EL 316	Saints and Sinners in 19th-Century American Fiction
HI/PO 297	Non-violent Defense and Conflict Resolution
HI 410W	American Intellectual History
HI 445	Revolution in History
PO 353w	World Order Studies
PO 371	Introduction to Public Administration
PO 425W	The Third World: Political Change
PO 434W	American Political Thought

Psychology and Sociology: (no more than 6 semester credits)

PY 315	The Holocaust and Genocide: A Social-Psychological Analysis
SO 310	Interpretations of Modern Society
SO 365W	Urban Communities

SO 372	Social Intervention Strategies
SO 423	Sociology of Wealth and Poverty
Religion and Philosophy: (no more than 6 semester credits)	
RE 205	Reformation
RE 215	Calvin and the Christian Life
PH/BI 309	Environmental Ethics
RE 313W,314W	History of Christianity I, II
PH/RE 321	Ethics
RE/SP 336	Communication in Ministry
RE 337	Administration in Ministry
PH 435	Social and Political Philosophy
Other Discipline Areas: (no more than 6 semester credits)	
EDU201/202	Educational Psychology and Exploring Teaching
EDU401W	Democracy, Leadership and Schooling
KIN 322	Philosophical and Psychological Aspects of Coaching
MI 302	Leading Small Organizations II
NU 307	Assertiveness Training for Nurses
NU 402	Nursing Leadership
TA 361	Fundamentals of Directing

Leadership Studies Courses

LS 250	Principles of Service and Leadership	3
Focus on basic leadership-skill development and theoretical foundations. Students gain exposure to leadership styles; leadership and values; balance and burnout; the historical evolution of leadership theories; leadership skills, including basic communication skills, vision, teamwork, group dynamics, decision-making, conflict resolution, proposal writing and time management.		
LS 350	Transforming Leadership	3
The companion and sequel to LS 250. The course carefully explores transforming leadership theory. Students participate in a service-learning project in which the theory is put to a practical test. Prerequisite: LS 250.		
LS 401	Leadership Seminar	1
A semi-weekly reflection seminar in the semester following the internship experience, or after the completion of the third semester in GE 330. Students submit a report about their internship or student leadership experience, grounding their report in the knowledge they have gained about leadership theory. Students develop and present a senior thesis on community leadership.		
LS 455	Chaos Theory, Leadership and Management	3
A capstone course in leadership theory. Application of theory and practice to personal philosophy of leadership and how that applies to future vocational/avocational objectives. Translation of theory into practice through a major course proposal. Project. Periodic offering.		
LS 490	Leadership Internship	1-3
Internship credits may be earned either through a supervised Jan Term or summer internship experience. Internships are arranged by students and approved by the Leadership Studies Program Board.		

Directed Studies

Independent Studies (191, 291, 391, 491); Readings (386, 486); Internships (290, 490); Field Studies (280, 480); and Teaching Assistantships (395, 495). See Page 169 for details.