

Grace College and Seminary
Continuing Education Program in Women's Leadership Studies
STRETCHING MINDS, STRENGTHENING HEARTS, SHAPING HANDS.

Biblical Foundations of Leadership

Course Description:

This class will discuss how to develop a philosophy of ministry and expose learners to organization and administration principles of effective leadership. We will look at the life of Jesus to learn from Him as the Master Teacher, Leader and Discipled. Students will explore Scripture to see how leaders address heart issues in the lives of people they will serve. Leadership from a biblical perspective will be countercultural and seek to reinforce living in light of Kingdom values. Students will have the opportunity to assess their own strengths and weaknesses as a leader, allowing this process to improve their leadership by being more strategic and surrendered.

Learning Outcomes:

As a result in active engagement with the course material, you will be able to:

1. Understand servant leadership as Jesus modeled it.
2. Identify and practice effective leading and discipling strategies.
3. Evaluate your own leading style with the goal of improving your ability to motivate others to follow Christ.
4. Develop your own philosophy of ministry document by using Frankena's boxes.

Recommended Texts:

Barna, George (Ed.), *Leaders on Leadership* (Ventura, CA: Regal Books, 1997). ISBN: 0-8307-1790-0.

Bennis, Warren, *Why Leaders Can't Lead* (Los Angeles, CA: Self-published part of Jossey Bass Management Series, 1989). ISBN: 1-55542-152-0.

Bredfeldt, Gary, *Great Leader great teacher* (Chicago: Moody Publishers, 2006). ISBN: 0-8024-1147-1.

Hybels, Bill, *Courageous Leadership* (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2002). 0-310-24823-X.

Wilkins, Michael, *Following the Master* (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 1992). ISBN: 0-310-52151-3.

Woolfe, Lorin, *The Bible on Leadership* (New York, NY: AMACOM, 2002). ISBN: 0-81444-0682-3.

Zuck, Roy, *Teaching as Jesus taught* (Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2002). ISBN: 1-57910-862-8.

Course Overview:

Prerequisites: None

Requirements for obtaining CEU credit:

Active participation in class discussion is a vital part of your personal growth and integration of course content. Please come to class ready to interact not only with the course material, but also with your fellow classmates. We will be using our Bibles to investigate God's view of Leadership in His Word. Bring your favorite translation of Scripture (I recommend NASB, ESV, NIV, NKJV) and a way to record your thoughts (pencil, pen, laptop). Handouts of powerpoint presentations and extra paper will be provided for you. You must be present for all 10 hours of instruction in order to receive 1 credit toward the CEU certification program.