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Leadership University  
**Apologetics 205**  
Apologetics in Action

**Mission Statement**

To empower and equip leaders to be sent and positioned for ministry in the inner cities around the world for the cause of the gospel.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is written for those asking, “How can I practically utilize apologetics: socially, vocationally, and spiritually to make an impact on my generation.” Students will be empowered to shine the light of truth on the deceptions of secular media, education, and even among social circles. This course will focus more on the etiquette of apologetics than apologetic facts and focuses. Learn HOW to be a relevant and practical apologist.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES**

*Upon completion of this course:*

1. The purpose of this class is to better equip the novice apologist to defend their faith and biblical worldview with the right motive and etiquette.
2. Students will gain confidence in utilizing the Columbo Tactic.
3. Students will learn discretion and how to use discernment when engaging apologetic discourse in person or virtually.
4. Students will be able to share the gospel and dismantle false arguments hindering unbelievers from the truth in a logical and loving manner.

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Textbooks are mandatory for lecture and homework purposes. The following book(s) is needed for successful completion of this course:

*Tactics, 10th Anniversary Edition: A Game Plan for Discussing Your Christian Convictions.* Greg Koukl. Zondervan Reflective 2019.

*(Textbooks, workbooks, lab fees, etc. are a normal part of the cost of your education.)* Photocopies of the pages will not be accepted for credit. This constitutes a breach of copyright law and drives up the cost of textbooks. You will enter your book assignments into the portal each week for review.

All TWLU classes require students to have digital access to our portal during lecture times and in order to complete all course content and assignments. As well as giving online students the ability to access the live stream lectures (*which are in real time and cannot be retrieved at a later time*).

## **Attendance**

You are expected to attend each class. Class attendance ensures your learning the material in its entirety. Only one excused absence will be allowed, with a prior approval by the professor. Unexcused absences are not acceptable and may result in the loss of points and/or the inability to complete assigned work.

Students are encouraged to discuss missed days with their TA to make arrangements to attend evening or Sunday lectures to obtain necessary instruction for course success.

## **Assignments**

Students are required to complete reading assignments on time and be prepared for class discussions and activities. Students are required to complete all assignments on time, complete assigned reading and be prepared for class discussions and activities. All written assignments must be entered into the portal using the Homework link at the bottom of each corresponding lesson. Grades cannot be given to assignments that are not turned in through the portal.

### **An Overview of the Course Work:**

1. Homework Assignments
2. Weekly in Class Quizzes
3. Midterm
4. Final Exam

Late work will only be accepted under special circumstances and only with prior **approval** from the TA or Student Success (see guidelines for absences). If late work is allowed, a late penalty of 10% will be applied.

1. **Homework:** is assigned weekly and can be found on course syllabus. Must be submitted before the following class period using the appropriate assignment link in portal.
2. **Quizzes:** are mandatory and should be completed during allotted time following the class lecture. Failure to complete at appropriate time may result in loss of points.
3. **Midterms:** are a take home assignment that may be done open book. And each midterm must be completed once opened (it has a time constraint). Please do not save and try to return, because it must be done in same day of opening and the system will automatically submit.

4. **Finals:** must be done in person and are closed book. Only physical Bibles are permitted in test taking area. Please bring acceptable device to class to access your account on test taking days and any necessary batteries or cords.

Leadership University upholds the highest of standards when it comes to development of classwork and assignments. All work should be your own.

- Plagiarism is unacceptable and will result in an immediate failure of the course. If you did not write the words, they do not belong in your paper. You cannot COPY AND PASTE anything from a book, the internet or any other source and put it in your paper.
- Do NOT include direct quotes unless the quote is cited properly and gives the author credit. Describe the material in your own words. Do not use words you do not understand.
- You are free to consult with classmates about assignments, but please ensure that your work is your own. If your work looks too much like your classmates, plagiarism rules may be enforced.

### Points Possible

Quizzes (9 x 20)	180 points
Homework (8 x 25)	200 points
Midterm	150 points
Final Exam	200 points

Total points possible = **730**

### Grading Scale

A = 730 - 655

B = 654 - 580

C = 579 - 505

D = 504 – 430

F = 429-0

\* The course lecture schedule will be adjusted and developed as the course unfolds. However, the book exercises—and all other assignments—will continue to be due on the dates identified in the schedule below.

## Course Schedule

<b>Teaching/Reading Assignments</b>				
	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Assigned Reading</b>	<b>Homework Assignment</b>
Week 1	1-15	The Role of Ambassador	Ch. 1	Questions TBA
Week 2	1-22	Reservations	Ch. 2	Questions TBA
Week 3	1-29	No class due to impartation	Ch. 3	Questions TBA
Week 4	2-5	Columbo Method 1,2,3	Ch. 4	Questions TBA
Week 5	2-12	Columbo Method: Perfecting & Turnabout	Ch. 5,6	Take home Mid-Term
Week 6	2-19	Views That Self Destruct	Ch. 7	Questions TBA
Week 7	2-26	Taking the Roof Off	Ch. 10	Questions TBA
Week 8	3-5	Steam Roller or Scholar	Ch. 11 & 12	Questions TBA
Week 9	3-12	Just the Facts	Ch. 13	Questions TBA
Week 10	3-19	More Sweat, Less Blood	<b>Study for final</b>	
Week 11	3-26	<b>In Class Closed Book Final</b>		