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Leadership University
4th Quarter
Leadership 104 – Exponential Leadership

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will teach students how to develop and multiply leaders, train and disciple others, and care for those in need within a small group. The course will train students in how to multiply themselves into others, and why small group ministry is so important for the growth of the church.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course:

1. Students will understand the importance and benefits of a small group ministry.
2. Students will understand how a small group ministry builds a church.
3. Students will understand basic functions of a small group.
4. Students will understand leadership development through multiplying leaders in small groups.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Textbook

The following book is needed for successful completion of this course: *8 Habits of Effective Small Group Leaders*. Earley, Dave. Cell Group Resources, 2001.

Recommended: *Disciple making is . . . how to live the great commission with passion and confidence*. Earley, D., & Dempsey, R. (2014). B&H Publishing Group.

(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 hand in your **book assignments** to the instructor each week for review.

Portal Access and Usage

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. The portal also gives 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 you learn the material in its entirety. Only one excused absence will be allowed, with prior approval by the instructor. Unexcused absences are not acceptable, resulting in the loss of quiz points and inability to complete assigned work. Students are encouraged to discuss missed days with their TA to determine if an alternate option is available to obtain instruction necessary 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 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.

Coursework

1. **Homework:** is assigned weekly and can be found on the last page of the course syllabus. Homework is due one week after assigned and must be submitted before the following class period using the appropriate assignment link in the portal (*see Late Work policy*).
2. **Quizzes:** are mandatory and should be completed during allotted time **immediately** following the class lecture. Failure to complete it in the appropriate time may result in loss of points. Quizzes are viewed as “in class” quizzes and have a 10-minute time limit.
3. **Midterms:** are a take home assignment that may be done open book. Each midterm must be completed once the test is started (it has a time constraint). Please do not save and try to return it because it must be completed the same day it is opened, otherwise the system will automatically submit it. (*Midterms are not required in pre-requisite classes*).
4. **Finals:** must be done in person and are closed book. Only physical Bibles are permitted in test taking area. Please bring an acceptable device to class to access your account on test taking days and any necessary batteries or cords.

Late Work

Late work without penalty will only be accepted under special circumstances and only with prior approval from the TA or Student Success (see guidelines for absences). The **late work penalty** is 10% per week. Homework assigned prior to midterms will not be accepted after the midterm exam due date. Absolutely no homework will be accepted after the last day of class.

COURSE GRADING RUBERIC

Points Possible

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| Quizzes (9 x 20) | 180 Points |
| Homework (7 x 25) | 175 Points |
| Midterm | 150 Points |
| Final Exam | 200 Points |

Total points possible = **705**

Grading Scale

A = 705 - 634

B = 633 - 564

C = 563 - 493

D = 492 - 423

F = 422 - 0

PLAGERAISM AND STUDENT CONDUCT

Leadership University upholds the highest 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 and to study for finals together, but please ensure that your work is your own. If your work looks too much like your classmates, plagiarism rules may be enforced.

Course Schedule

(You will upload photos of your work into the online homework portal)

| Dates | Topic | Assigned Reading | Assigned Homework (due following week) |
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| Aug.27 | God's Vision for the Church | Introduction | Complete Small Group Leader's Personal Dream pg. 26 |
| Sept. 3 | No School due to Holiday | Ch. 1 | |
| Sept. 10 | Power of Discipleship | Ch. 2 | Complete Small Group Leader's Personal Prayer Chart pg. 34 |
| Sept. 17 | Submitting to Discipleship | Ch. 3 | Complete Small Group Leader's Personal Inviting Chart pg. 43 |
| Sept. 24 | Becoming a Disciple-Maker | Ch. 4 Recommended reading: DMI Ch. 12 and 13 | Midterms go Home |
| Oct. 1 | How to Develop Disciples | Ch. 5 Recommended DMI Ch. 15 | Complete Effective Small Group Leader Contacting Plan pg. 51 and Personal Preparation Chart pg. 60 |
| Oct. 8 | No School due to Holiday | Ch. 6 | |
| Oct. 15 | Duplication: the process of producing leaders | Ch. 7 Recommended DMI Ch. 16 | Complete Small Group Leader Personal Mentoring Chart pg. 74 |
| Oct. 22 | Leader Multiplication Method | Ch. 8 Recommended DMI Ch. 17 | Plan and execute Fellowship Activity and complete question on pg. 82 |
| Oct. 29 | Practical Tools for Success | Ch. 9 | Complete Growth Goals on pg. 93-94 |
| Nov. 5 | Launching and leading a small group ministry | PREPARE FOR FINALS | |
| Nov. 12 | FINALS IN CLASS | Last day to submit work | |

Note: Course lecture schedule may be adjusted as the course unfolds. However, the book exercises and all other assignments will continue to be due on the dates identified in the schedule above.