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**ML582: CHARACTER, COMMUNITY, AND LEADERSHIP (160 hours)**

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**DESCRIPTION:**

Students from around the globe will join faculty in dialogue around topics of character formation in community. The challenge of developing character as a foundation for leadership will be applied in students’ lives through reading, discussions, lectures, small group exercises, sharing of spiritual journey narratives, prayers and reflection. This course will provide an opportunity to build deeper relationships with cohort members to achieve a more effective learning community, and an introduction to the principles of character formation and leadership.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:** As a result of this course sequence students will have:

1. Prepared for continuing studies at Fuller through an orientation to digital program resources
2. Celebrated further development of the cohort learning community in an online environment with fellow students
3. Examined several models of character formation and applied at least one to the student’s life and ministry context
4. Examined several character formation issues that leaders face including calling and vocation
5. Explored the global cross-cultural context of Christian leadership today

**COURSE FORMAT**:

Conducted online, the ten weekly lessons align with Fuller’s academic calendar. Students are required to interact with the material, with each other, and with the instructors regularly through asynchronous and synchronous discussions, reading, and other assignments that promote active learning.

**REQUIRED READING**:  Approximately 1208 pages - **to be read in the order they appear below**:

* Scazzero, Peter. 2015. *The Emotionally Healthy Leader.* Grand Rapids: Zondervan. ISBN-13: 978-0310494577; List Price $15.63; Kindle Edition $9.99. Available as an e-book from the Fuller Library [300 pp. required]
* Villacorta, Wilmer G. 2017 *Tug of War: The Downward Ascent of Power.* Eugene:Cascade Books, Wipf and Stock Publishers. ISBN: 978-1-4982-98285. List Price $ 21; Kindle Edition $ 10. Available as an e-book from the Fuller Library [154 pp. required]
* Willard, Dallas. 2002. *Renovation of the Heart: Putting on the Character of Christ*. Colorado Springs: NavPress. ISBN-13: 978-1576832967. List Price: $25; Kindle Edition $11. 255 pp.
* Bosch, David J. 2001. *A Spirituality of the Road.* Eugene:Wipf & Stock. ISBN-13: 1-57910-795-8. List Price: $ 14. 96. 96pp; (available as a pdf in the Canvas course)
* Lingenfelter, Sherwood*.* 2008.  *Leading Cross-Culturally: Covenant Relationships for Effective Christian Leadership.* Grand Rapids: Baker. ISBN-13: 978-0801036057. List price: $18; Kindle Edition $10. Available as an e-book from the Fuller Library [170 pp. required].
* Barton, Ruth Haley. 2012. *Pursuing God’s Will Together*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press. ISBN-13: 978-0830835669. List Price: $20; Kindle Edition $10. Available as an e-book from the Fuller Library [233 pp. required].

**ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Required Reading – 1208 pages [81 hours] LO’s 3, 4 & 5.
2. View video inputs plus online discussion with cohort learning community (5% of grade) [5 hrs] LO 2
3. One 800-word devotional reading report on Scazerro (5% of grade) [4 hrs] LO 3&4.
4. Synchronous discussion over Villacorta (5% of grade) [4 hrs] LO’s 1, 2, 3 & 4.
5. One 600-word analytical reading report on Willard (10% of grade) [4 hrs] LO 3&4.
6. Prepare an 8-10 minute oral “personal journey narrative” presentation & share synchronously in groups (20% of grade) [18 hrs] LO’s 1-5
7. One 750-word integrative reading response to Lingenfelter and Bosch readings (10% of grade) [5 hrs] LO 5
8. Discussion over Barton and leadership in community (5% of grade) [4 hrs] LO’s 1, 2 & 4
9. A 3,750-word paper integrating the themes of the course (40% of grade) [35 hrs] LO’s 3 & 4

**PREREQUISITES**: This course sequence is only available to MA in Global Leadership students.

**RELATIONSHIP TO CURRICULUM**: ML582 is part of the required MAGL cohort series of courses. *NO AUDITORS*.

**FINAL EXAMINATION**: None.

This ECD is a reliable guide to the course design but is subject to modification. Updated April 2019