

LEADS aims to inspire innovative thinking and contribute to the development of creative problem solvers, innovative leaders, and engaged citizens who are well prepared for wherever their future endeavors take them.

First Half Summer Term (May 20 - June 26)

CLAS 3000-080, Designing Your Life, CRN 32081 2 credit hours

This course is designed for students interested in exploring what it means to have a meaningful life and career. Students will be engaged in a series of activities over the course of the semester to reflect on the foundational questions of “Who am I?” and “What do I want to do?” Principles of design thinking will be used as a tool to help students design their future and leverage their strengths toward personal and professional success.

- Instructor: Dr. Jordan Bullington-Miller
- Synchronous online format: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 1:00pm – 2:45pm

CLAS 3000-083, Exploring American Leadership, CRN 32085 3 credit hours

This course explores the dynamic history, shifting beliefs, and prominent personalities that have molded and defined the United States as a worldwide leader. This comprehensive exploration will analyze the multifaceted dimensions of American leadership, including its historical roots, current issues, and potential futures. Students will gain a deeper understanding of the various aspects contributing to American leadership, such as political, economic, diplomatic, and cultural factors. By the end of the course, students will have gained critical thinking skills, a nuanced perspective on leadership, and the ability to assess the complex challenges facing American leadership in the 21st century.

- Instructor: Dr. David Dearden
- Class meets in an asynchronous online format

Second Half Summer Term (July 1 - August 7)

CLAS 3000-082 Your Authentic Self – The New Leader, CRN 30971 1 credit hour

This course unpacks the realities of becoming a true, authentic leader. Students will explore in-depth self-reflection and discovery in exploring the paradox of authenticity. Through the use of various research methods, activities, and strategies, students will learn how to become a more authentic and mindful leader. Additionally, students will explore personal motivators, ethics, and values to gain clarity and confidence in becoming their most authentic selves.

- Instructor: Dr. Bryan Patterson
- Synchronous online format: Mondays and Wednesdays 9:00am - 10:15am

CLAS 3000-081, Innovative Thinking and Problem Solving, CRN 30865 2 credit hours

This course is an exciting and transformative journey that encourages students to embrace innovation, creativity, and resilience. By the end of the course, students will have the skills and mindset to approach challenges confidently, viewing them as opportunities for growth and positive change. This course is not just about enhancing problem-solving skills; it's about empowering students to be proactive agents of innovation in a dynamic and evolving world. Through this course, students will become catalysts for change, capable of revolutionizing how they perceive and address problems, ultimately contributing to a better future.

- Instructor: Dr. David Dearden
- Synchronous online format: Mondays and Wednesdays 1:00pm - 4:00pm

CLAS 3000-084 Ethical Leadership, CRN 32112 1 credit hour

This class will explore principles of ethical leadership and how those principles can benefit individuals personally and professionally. Students will develop strategies that can help resolve conflict and improve decision making in the context of conflicting values. During the term, students will gain practical experience and create a personalized action plan for approaching personal, societal, and organizational leadership dilemmas.

- Instructor: Dr. Bryan Patterson
- Synchronous online format: Mondays and Wednesdays 12:00pm - 1:15pm



About summer 2024 LEADS classes

Find LEADS classes by searching for 'College of Liberal Arts & Sciences' in the course schedule..

All classes require sophomore or higher class standing.

Topics for CLAS 3000 rotate. You may not receive credit for the same topic twice.

Can I take multiple sections of CLAS 3000 in the same semester?

Absolutely! You do need permission to register for more than one section of CLAS 3000. Email Dr. Warner with the sections you wish to take.

Did you know about the LEADS certificate program?

You may take a LEADS class at any time. Those who choose to complete 10 credit hours of LEADS courses, are eligible to earn the LEADS certificate in Leadership, Innovation, Technology, and Diversity. This is a great credential to add to your resume.

Learn more about LEADS

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Questions?

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