

ELECTIVES IN GENERAL PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Topics in Public Administration: Leadership in the Public Arena
Course 26:834:503 Credits (3) Professor Petillo Fall 2002

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The course focuses on the skills and strategies employed by men and women in leadership roles within the public sector. The class presentations will be by individuals in leadership positions within the public sector. Students will be expected to participate in the discussions as well as apply conceptual principles to these presented topics.

Course Objective:

To equip students with a foundational understanding of leadership issues, including but not limited to leadership qualities and characteristics and leadership skills, such as conflict resolution and team building. Further, this course attempts to familiarize students with leadership within an organizational and political setting and the impacts of diversity on leaders and leadership.

Course Requirements:

Attendance at and participation for each class

Students are expected to be present and participate in class discussions based on their work experience, readings and assigned projects. At times during the semester, the class may be required to submit a single page synopsis of the presentation(s).

Project

Students are expected to submit by November 6th a paper that discusses leadership from a perspective chosen by the student that is referenced from the assigned readings. It is anticipated that the class presentations will also serve as a referenced framework for this paper. This paper should be no more than 10 double spaced typed pages.

Readings

The Prince by Niccolo
Machiavelli;

