

### LEA 311- Spiritual Leadership (4 credits)

#### Syllabus

#### Instructor\*:

Jody Crowson jodycrowson@gmail.com

#### **Course Dates:**

Nov. 6 - Dec. 18, 2022

#### Credit:

Students earn 4 credits for a grade of C or above in this course.

\*Instructors provide instruction during the online weeks through the discussion boards and are responsible for grading your assignments. Please contact your instructor with all course content related questions.

Please contact the Coursesite Coordinator, Alice Davis (<u>alice.davis@artioscollege.org</u>), for coursesite technical support.

#### **Course Description**

An introduction to biblical principles of spiritual leadership and basic management and supervisory skills for effective ministry.

Note: A four credit course assumes 10-14 hours per week of course involvement, including, but not limited to: videos, reading assignments, discussion board engagement, quizzes, exams, written assignments.

#### **Textbooks**

- Spiritual Leadership: Principles of Excellence for Every Believer, J. Oswald Sanders
- Agape Leadership: Lessons in Spiritual Leadership from the Life of R.C. Chapman, Robert L. Peterson & Alexander Strauch
- Leadership Essentials: Shaping Vision, Multiplying Influence, Defining Character, Greg Ogden & Daniel Meyer
- A Work of Heart: Understanding How God Shapes Spiritual Leaders, Reggie McNeal

#### Grading

Letter	Point Range	
A	927-1030	(excellent demonstration of course objectives)
В	824-926	(commendable demonstration of course objectives)
С	721-823	(acceptable demonstration of course objectives)
D	618-720	(unsatisfactory demonstration of course objectives; no credit awarded)
F	515-617	(no credit awarded)
I		Incomplete. Student unable to complete a course for reasons beyond their control. Student must submit a Course Extension Form during the scheduled course dates. The instructor and academic advisor must approve the extension, and the instructor must assign a new due date. Extensions may not exceed 120 days after the last day of the course. If the course is not completed by the extension date assigned by the instructor, the student will receive a D or an F, depending on assignments completed.

A cumulative grade of "C" or higher is required to pass the class.

#### **Course Assignments**

#### Unit 1

Discussion Questions - 35 points x = 2 points Discussion Interaction - 5 points x = 6 points Discussion Advancing Reply - 5 points x = 4 points

#### Unit 2

Discussion Questions - 35 points x = 2 points Discussion Interaction - 5 points x = 6 points Discussion Advancing Reply - 5 points x = 4 points

#### Unit 3

Discussion Questions - 35 points x = 2 points Discussion Interaction - 5 points x = 6 points Discussion Advancing Reply - 5 points x = 4 points

#### Unit 4

Discussion Questions - 35 points x = 2 points Discussion Interaction - 5 points x = 6 points Discussion Advancing Reply - 5 points x = 4 points Leadership Study Activity Report x = 100 points

#### Unit 5

Discussion Questions - 35 points x 2 = 70 points Discussion Interaction- 5 points x 6 = 30 points Discussion Advancing Reply - 5 points x 4 = 20Leadership Study Activity Report 2 = 100Final Reflection on a Work of Heart = 30 points Integrative Paper = 200 points

#### **Instructor's Leadership Profile**

Jody has over 10 years of leadership experience as a pastor and ministry leader.

#### Primary Leadership Assignment

o Pastor - Church of God (Seventh Day), Meridian, ID

#### Education

- o Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministry Artios Christian College (2021)
- o Associates Degree in History College of Western Idaho (2020)
- Occupational Associates degree in Automotive and Diesel Repair Universal Technical Institute (1985).

#### **Course Objectives**

Artios Christian College seeks to equip students for Christian leadership by imparting information and teaching practical skills. Student success is measured by how well they demonstrate mastery of given instructional objectives. This provides a basis for objective evaluation of student success and allows students to know what knowledge and skills they can expect to gain from each course.

Below are a list of the specific instructional objectives for this course. Reviewing objectives prior to beginning the course will be beneficial in helping you identify what will be expected of you.

- Discuss the motivations and goals for studying spiritual leadership with classmates
- Compare and contrast the nature of spiritual leadership with other forms of leadership
- Describe and discuss:
  - o the importance of character in the leader's life and work
  - o how leaders can use their time to maximize their influence
  - o the costs, responsibilities, perils and tests of leadership
  - o the tasks of leadership, including delegation, replacing, and reproducing
- List and define the six sublots of how God shapes the hearts of spiritual leaders
- Describe and discuss the process of God shaping the hearts of Moses, David, Paul and Jesus through the lenses of culture, call, community, communion, conflict, and the commonplace
- Lead one or more others in a small group study of leadership essentials
- Write a persuasive essay calling for Christians to embrace spiritual leadership

#### **Assignment Guidelines**

#### Written Assignments

#### General

- 1. Please note that you will not receive credit for past due written assignments unless it has received *prior* approval from your instructor. Email your instructor *prior* to the deadline of your assignment to request an extension.
- 2. Written assignments will be graded for content, spelling, grammar, and format. All citations must follow the Chicago/Turabian style.
- 3. All work must be submitted in accordance with Artios Christian College's *Intellectual Honesty Policy*. Be sure to review the *Intellectual Honesty Policy* at the outset of each course to avoid plagiarism, ensure proper citation of sources, and protect the integrity of your written work.
- 4. Uploaded written assignments must be submitted in **Microsoft Word** format (.doc or .docx). Most word processing applications are capable of saving in this format. If you don't already have an application that can save in Microsoft Word format you can download LibreOffice for free at <a href="https://www.libreoffice.org/">https://www.libreoffice.org/</a>

This course may include quizzes, core concept worksheets and/or case studies.

- 1. **Quizzes** ask T/F, Matching, and Multiple Choice questions based on course materials. Each quiz is accompanied by a Study Guide that outlines the material that needs to be studied. There are no "trick questions" on the quizzes. Quizzes are closed book, unless otherwise indicated. Memorization and retention of key information is of utmost importance.
- 2. **Core Concept Worksheets** ask short answer questions taken directly from course textbooks. Core Concept Worksheets are open-book. The accuracy of the answers is of utmost importance.
- 3. **Case Studies** ask for short written responses to hypothetical scenarios related to course materials. Case Studies are open-book. Reflection on course materials and integration with real life settings is of utmost importance.

#### Discussion Boards

A major component of all Artios courses is the online discussion board. Students will respond to questions related to course materials posed by their instructor and then engage in a conversation with their instructor and classmates via the discussion board. All due dates and a Grading Rubric for discussion board postings are provided on the course site.

#### Integrative Papers

This course will include one or more integrative papers. Depending upon the course, integrative papers may include essays, articles, sermon outlines, biblical exegesis, or research papers. Specific instructions for each integrative paper is found on the course site.

All integrative papers must follow the Chicago/Turabian style, including a cover sheet and bibliography. A template for the Chicago/Turabian cover sheet is provided at the end of this syllabus.

#### **Reading Assignments**

Reading assignments for this course may include textbooks, articles, and links. All reading assignments are listed on the course site. Most courses require between 100-250 pages of reading per week during the course with additional supplementary reading recommended to students.

While no grade is given for completing reading assignments, students must complete all required reading in order to successfully complete their written assignments. Students are encouraged to focus their reading efforts by reviewing their written assignments prior to reading. This will allow them to prioritize which portions of the reading to give greater attention and improve their note-taking.

#### Viewing Assignments

Most Artios courses include pre-recorded video lectures (typically accompanied by PowerPoint presentations) integrated into the course site. The lectures reinforce core concepts from the course materials.

While no grade is given for completing viewing assignments, students must complete all required viewing in order to successfully complete their written assignments.

#### **Tips for Success**

Artios Christian College is committed to the success of our students. By keeping these tips in mind you will be well-equipped to succeed in your studies:

- 1. **Review and follow the weekly steps in sequence and on time.** Prior to the beginning of the course, and at the outset of each week you should log on to the course site and review the "Steps" for the week very carefully. Be sure to note when each Step needs to be completed and make sure to complete them *in sequence and on time*. If you do this you will succeed in the course, if not you will almost certainly fail.
- 2. **Ask for an extension before the deadline.** If you are unable to fulfill a requirement of the course you MUST discuss the situation with your instructor IN ADVANCE of the deadline. Do not wait until after you have missed a due-date to tell them that you are unable to complete the assignment.
- 3. **Plan your reading in advance.** It is recommended that you look at your reading assignment at the beginning of the week and make a *daily plan* for how you will complete the reading on time. For instance, if there are 175 pages of required reading, set a goal of reading 25 pages per day that week. If you wait until the end of the week to begin reading you will almost certainly fall behind.
- 4. Take notes on your written assignments while reading and viewing lectures. Your written assignments relate directly to the pre-recorded lectures, readings, and other resources provided online. So, it is absolutely vital that you pay close attention to the lectures, textbooks, and supplemental materials. It is a good idea to have your written assignments printed out and handy while reading and watching the lectures. That way, when you come across information in the reading and lectures that addresses a question in your written material you can take notes, rather than having to go back and find the information later.
- 5. Ask for help, rather than becoming frustrated or falling behind. All of the assignments are designed to ask straightforward questions. You should be able to answer the questions based on the resources provided to you. Thus there are no "trick questions" or surprises on any of the assignments. If you come across a question that is not familiar or for which you do not believe the course material has adequately prepared you, contact your instructor. When in doubt ASK QUESTIONS of your instructor. Instructors are available to answer your questions and to discuss any issues or concerns you have regarding the coursework. Do not allow yourself to get discouraged or confused and fall behind on coursework simply because you did not ask for assistance. If you come across a typo or incorrect information on the course site please fill out the "Incorrect Information Report" in the Welcome Box.
- 6. **Read instructor feedback and adjust accordingly.** Instructors provide feedback on your assignments via the course site. When checking your grade on an assignment be sure to look at the feedback from your instructor as well and make adjustments on future assignments to improve your grade. If you are deducted points on an assignment without an explanation from your instructor, email them to request more information.

#### **ASSIGNMENT TITLE**

## ASSIGNMENT TYPE SUBMITTED TO INSTRUCTOR NAME ARTIOS CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

# IN PARTIAL FULFILLMENT OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COURSE COURSE NUMBER COURSE NAME

BY

**STUDENT NAME** 

DUE: DAY, MONTH, YEAR

SUBMITTED: DAY, MONTH, YEAR