



Student Leadership & Activities

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What is the BLUE Leadership Program?

The BLUE Leadership Program seeks to provide students with opportunities to acquire and implement leadership skills that will enhance the collegiate experience while documenting achievements that can lead to career, service, or leadership advancement. Over the course of **six weeks**, the BLUE program will prepare students with in-depth leadership training to serve in significant campus and community leadership roles. Participation in Hofstra Volunteer Week is the final requirement.

Why strive towards becoming a leader?

To lead is to demonstrate the capacity to direct or provide others with opportunities for change.

To lead is to explore and create new standards of excellence.

To lead is to utilize the power that strengthens and builds community.

What are the objectives of the program?

- 1) To motivate students to carefully analyze responsibilities and commitments in the context of leadership for the common good and for purposeful change.
- 2) To think critically about leadership issues facing our communities and society, to understand the importance of self-knowledge, to explore how values influence the leadership process, and to understand gender and cultural influences on leadership.
- 3) To recognize that leadership issues permeate every aspect of daily living, from events that make the local news to world crises. In this learning community, you will embrace the belief that you have the potential to transform your world.
- 4) To develop a firm understanding of the nature of leadership through active group participation, as well as, community service.

What are the benefits?

Every student who complete all six workshops will receive a certificate of completion at the Hofstra Student Leadership Awards held each May. Students who obtain a BLUE Certificate will be able to begin the Gold Leadership Program the following year. This program will help students build valuable skills which will prepare them for leadership roles on campus (Resident Assistant, Orientation Leader, or Welcome Week Leader Coordinators) and beyond (internships, jobs, and more!).

Who is eligible?

Any Hofstra student may register and take any workshop upon availability. All students interested in completing the certificate must submit an application to the program with Student Leadership and Activities in 260 Student Center. Students who wish to take advantage of the workshops do not need to complete the program sequence in order to take any of the classes.

What is the timeline for the program?

Six different workshops are offered each academic semester and are presented by administration from the Division of Student Affairs.

Attend 5 Workshops 90 minutes each (7:00-8:30 PM) & 1-day Retreat (11.22.08)

Workshop dates: October 2, 16, & 30, 2008 and November 6 & 13, 2008

Participate in *Hofstra University Volunteer Week* for 5 hours, March 16-20, 2009

Who do I ask about other questions?

See Kimberly Rhyan, Assistant Director of Student Leadership and Activities, in 260 Student Center or call 516-463-3489 with any questions.

