Dragon Leadership Program Application Instructions
In order to apply for the program you’ll need to submit a two to three page typed letter of interest to the Dragon Leadership Program Advisory Board that addresses the following points:

1. Why are you interested in this program?
2. How do you define leadership?
3. What do you believe are your strengths as they relate to leadership?
4. What skills do you hope to improve through your participation in the Dragon Leadership Program?

Once we receive your letter of interest, we will review your submission to ensure that the program is an appropriate complement to your academic experience. Please submit your letter electronically to dragonleadership@mnstate.edu and include your name, email address and Dragon ID number in your letter of interest.

Applications for acceptance into the Dragon Leadership Program are accepted by the deadline each semester. For Spring 2014 semester, letters of interest are due by Friday, February 7. For Fall 2014 semester, letters of interest are due by Friday, September 19.

If you would like any assistance in composing your letter of interest, contact the Career Development Center in Flora Frick 1 51 or call 218-477-2131 or e-mail careers@mnstate.edu to set-up an appointment.

For those accepted into the Dragon Leadership Program Spring 2014, you will need to attend an Introductory DLP Workshop on February 25 at 4pm in CMU 203. You will then be assigned a DLP Phase based on your experiences and will need to attend a Phase 1 Workshop on March 4 at 3pm in CMU 203 or March 10 at 3:30pm in CMU 203. A Phase 2 Workshop will be held on March 4 at 4pm in CMU 227 for those entering Phase 2.

The Dragon Leadership Program is an opportunity for you to grow and develop skills that will have a lasting impact beyond your time at MSUM. We look forward to reviewing your letter of interest!

Dragon Leadership Program Requirements

Phase I - Consciousness of Self
- Participate in introduction workshop for Phase I
- Complete the Strengths Quest instrument and interpret findings with certified trainers
- Participate in a student organization
- Complete 5 hours of community service on campus
- Participate in 3 short term leadership training workshops such as Take the Lead, Training Our Campuses Against Racism, SAFE Zone, or Career Development Center workshops
- Complete leadership reflection assignment for course taken in accordance with Liberal Arts and Sciences Curriculum Goal Area 7 (Human Diversity)
- Complete leadership portfolio requirements for Phase I

Phase II - Collaboration
- Participate in introduction workshop for Phase II
- Assume an elected or appointed leadership role in a student organization
- Participate in 1 moderate term leadership experience such as PDEV classes, LEAD classes, Emerging Leaders, or Internships
- Participate in 1 university service experience such as University Committees, Admissions Ambassadors, Student Orientation Counselors, Residence Hall Activity Board, International Student Services Diplomat
- Complete 5 hours of self-directed community service either on- or off-campus
- Complete leadership portfolio requirements for Phase II

Phase III - Change
- Participate in introduction workshop for Phase III
- Participate in 1 long term leadership experience, such as Student Senate, Dragon Mentor, Athletic Team Captain, Homecoming Coordinator, Wellness Center Educator, Resident Assistant, Dragon Entertainment Group Coordinator, Employment on- or off-campus, or Career Development Student Consultants
- Mentor a Phase I student leader, and attend Mentorship Training Workshop
- Deliver an oral presentation outside of class (e.g. Student Academic Conference, Dragon Leadership Program Spring Banquet)
- Lead and organize a 5 hour service project for other students
- Participate in career preparation resume writing and interview workshop
- Complete leadership portfolio requirements for Phase III, present portfolio to members of Dragon Leadership Program

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