SOWK 714 Syllabus

Executive Leadership
3 Units

“Leadership must first and foremost meet the needs of others”
Robert Greenleaf

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I. COURSE PREREQUISITES
Concurrent enrollment in SOWK 713

II. CATALOGUE DESCRIPTION
Content focuses on application of theories and principles of executive leadership including development of personal skills, technical skills and skills in navigating organizations.

III. COURSE DESCRIPTION
Content focuses on understanding the range of knowledge and skills that are required of successful Executive Leaders and creation of a leadership development plan based on the 7C Model developed by John Tropman, DSW.

IV. COURSE OBJECTIVES

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<td>3. Explore the function of various types of collaborations and sources of power and influence</td>
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<td>4. Review project management techniques and demonstrate application of these strategies to students’ projects</td>
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<td>5. Describe the impact of organizational culture and context on service delivery</td>
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V. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

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<th>Student Learning Outcome Objectives (SLO) (Program Level Outcome #)</th>
<th>1. Develop an understanding of personal characteristics, technical skills and means of navigating organizations demonstrated by successful executive leaders (PLO#6)</th>
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<td>Upon completing this course, students will be able to:</td>
<td>2. Enhance their appreciation for the role of diversity in organizations and the specific manner in which diverse governance affects organizational process and outcomes (PLO#6)</td>
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<td>3. Develop an appreciation of the functions of collaborations, power and influence; develop and apply these skills (PLO #6)</td>
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<td>4. Acquire project management skills and demonstrate use of these skills to further develop Capstone projects (PLO #7)</td>
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<td>5. Develop and initiate an individual executive development plan. (PLO#1, 2, 6)</td>
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VI. COURSE FORMAT

The underlying principle of this course is that acquisition and deployment of executive leadership skills is an activity that is performed, developed and honed over the course of a professional career. Building upon existing classroom information, students will be challenged to develop specific personal, technical and organizational skills and strategies which will be implemented through practical assignments and supported through in-class discussions.

VII. COURSE ASSIGNMENTS, DUE DATES AND GRADING

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<td>Agency Annual Report Analysis</td>
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COURSE GRADING

Class grades will be assigned based on the final schedule:

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Note: Please refer to the Student Handbook and the University Catalogue for additional discussion of grades and grading procedures.
EACH COURSE ASSIGNMENT IS DESCRIBED BELOW

Assignment 1 – Executive Leadership Analysis
Students will observe an executive leader in their organization, another organization or local government. Students will draw upon their knowledge of executive leadership characteristics, challenges, and collaborations to summarize their observations and write an analysis and critique. (Student Learning Outcome #1, #2)
Due Week 4

Assignment 2 – Agency Annual Report Analysis
Successful executive leaders demonstrate the ability to regularly and effectively reflect on their work and that of similar agencies. Public and private organizations publish annual reports, describing their mission, programs, services, accomplishments, and financial statements. Students will (1) research and identify annual reports for two nonprofit organizations that work in the area of their Grand Challenge, (2) highlight each agency’s mission and comment on the alignment of programs delivered with agency mission, (3) examine the latest agency’s budget/annual report (including revenue and expenditures) and note the extent to which finances appear to support the agency’s goals, and (4) recommend steps the agencies’ leaders could take to improve their programs/services with the main goal of having a greater impact to their vulnerable and marginalized populations. (Student Learning Outcomes #1, #4)
Due Week 7

Assignment 3 – Examination of Organizational Ethics and Values
Leaders are faced with numerous decisions each day that embody their organization’s explicit or implied values and culture. These decisions often involve ethical considerations/dilemmas which may not be fully recognized or addressed. Students will select one organizational challenge or dilemma (from observation or reading). Then, students will analyze this challenge, focusing on the ethical concerns it may raise. Students will draw from knowledge of behavioral ethics to illustrate actual versus ideal ethical behavior (e.g., behavioral ethics versus codes of ethics). Recommendations for approaches to resolving the issue(s) will be made. This assignment focuses on the following key areas of behavioral ethics: (1) a description of the organizational decision to be made, (2) an analysis of issues that result (e.g., ethical issues, compliance problems, financial consequences, morale problems), (3) an analysis of how the agency is resolving this issue or why it remains unresolved and (4) specific recommendations regarding leadership alternatives that could be considered and the relative merits of each. (Student Learning Outcomes #2, #5)
Due Week 11

Final Presentation
Students will provide an analysis of the status of their Capstone project and their leadership plan for implementation over the coming year(s). This will include reflections on the executive leadership skills/knowledge/plan developed over the course of the semester, and how these skills will be applied to the actual Capstone implementation and assessment. (Student Learning Outcome #5)
Due Weeks 14 and 15.
VIII. INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS

The course will consist of didactic information and experiential exercises. Case vignettes, self-assessments, videos and exercises will be used to facilitate students’ learning. Exercises may include the use of videotapes or small group discussion/exercises. Material from the field will be used to illustrate class content and to provide integration between class and field. Confidentiality of material shared in class will be maintained. As the class discussion is an integral part of the learning process, students are expected to come to class ready to discuss required reading and exercises and its application to theory and practice.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

As a professional school, class attendance and participation is an essential part of your professional training and development at the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work. You are expected to attend all classes and meaningfully participate. Therefore, having more than 2 unexcused absences in class may result in the lowering of your grade by a half grade. Additional absences can result in additional deductions.

IX. REQUIRED AND SUPPLEMENTARY INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS & RESOURCES

Required Textbooks:

Required Journal Articles, Book Chapters and Other Readings

There are required and recommended readings that are assigned and may be found on ARES.

https://usc.ares.atlas-sys.com/ares/

Once logged into ARES, students should search by using the SOWK 714 Lead Faculty instructor’s name (Juan Carlos Araque, PhD), rather than the actual instructor’s name. Students should also be able to find the readings by searching by department or course number: SOWK 714.

After you log into ARES, you need to search for the class you want to add. There are two ways to search. First, under the Student Tools menu on the left side of the screen, click on Search Classes. On the subsequent page, click on the appropriate drop-down menu by Department, Instructor (easiest method), or Course Number. Note: If you select Class Name under Course Number, you will need to know the title of your class as found on the class syllabus or in the USC Schedule of Classes. Once you locate the class, click on Go and on the subsequent page click the Add Class link located to the left of the search results to add the class you need. After you are finished searching, click on Main Menu and you will see all the classes you have added.
Suggested Textbooks and Periodicals:


Periodicals including:
- *Educational Leadership*
- *Forbes Magazine*
- *Harvard Business Review*
- *The Leadership Quarterly*
- *The New Yorker*

Recommended Guidebook for APA Style Formatting and other writing formats

APA format is indicated for academic papers. However, this course will also focus on creation of professional documents such as memos, letters, reports, etc.

Required APA Guidelines

1. Use white 8½ x 11” paper.
2. Make 1-inch margins on the top, bottom and sides.
3. The first word in each paragraph should be indented one-half inch.
4. APA recommends using Times New Roman font, size 12
5. Double-space the entire research paper, including cover and reference pages.

APA formatting rules for your paper—EasyBib

www.easybib.com/guides/students/writing-guide/iv...formatting/apa-paper-formatting/

https://www.google.com/search?q=APA+Style+formatting&ie=utf-8&oe=utf-8
**Other Academic and Professional Sources**


**Recommended Websites**

Being First, Inc.  
http://www.beingfirst.com/

National Association of Social Workers  
http://www.naswdc.org

Network for Human Service Managers  
www.socialworkmanger.org

The Center for Creative Leadership:  
http://www.ccl.org/leadership/index.aspx

The Four Properties of Powerful Teachers  
https://www.chronicle.com/article/the-4-properties-of-powerful/228483

The Greenleaf Center for Servant-Leadership  
http://www.greenleaf.org/

The Leader to Leader Institute  
http://leadertoleader.org/

**Note:** Additional required and recommended readings may be assigned by the instructor throughout the course.
## SOWK 714 – Course Overview

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Course Schedule—Detailed Description

PART I: EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

Unit 1 – Course Introduction and Overview

Topics
- Course Syllabus, Expectations, and Assignments
- Team Impact
- The Seven Cs Model
- Basic Skills Staircase

Required Readings
Tropman & Wooten, The Seven Cs – Read the following two articles:
http://webuser.bus.umich.edu/lpwooten/PDF/pmi%20article%20tropman%20wooten.pdf

Watch John Maxwell’s YouTube video on the 5 levels of leadership: https://youtu.be/jsjJCOzmhk

Homework for Week 2
Complete the Strengths-Based Leadership Assessment online (This survey takes 40-45 minutes. Before and during the survey completion, make sure to avoid any distractions) and place your results on the course wall for Week 2 (The entire report cost is $19.99) -

Unit 2 – Characteristics

Topics
- StrengthsFinder
- Competing Values
- My Personal Profile
- Executiveship and Diversity
- Cultural Proficiency, Equity and Diversity

Required Readings

https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/how-diversity-makes-us-smarter/

https://catalyst.nejm.org/values-driven-leadership-pathway-success/

**Recommended Resources and Websites**

The Servant Leadership Institute - https://www.servantleadershipinstitute.com/

Daniel Goleman and Bill George: Authenticity and Empathy -
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9oQxFUo9zfM

Innovative Companies Hire More Women -
https://www.ted.com/talks/rocio_lorenzo_want_a_more_innovative_company_hire_more_women?utm_source=tedcomshare&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=tedspread

**Application**

Leadership Assessment #1: *Strengths-Based Leadership Assessment* (please use your personal code provided in the Rath’s textbook or on the Gallup’s website).

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**Unit 3 – Crucibles and Collaboration**

**Topics**
- What are Crucibles?
- Crucible Management
- Burnish Your EQ
- Collaborations
- Your Own Personal Board of Directors
- Current Professional Community

**Required Readings**

**Crucibles**

**Emotional Intelligence**
https://hbr.org/2013/11/emotional-agility

https://hbr.org/2018/01/self-awareness-can-help-leaders-more-than-an-mba-can
Collaborations/Networking

Recommended Resources and Websites


Application

Unit 4 – Competencies: NSWM Executive Knowledge and Skills ASSIGNMENT 1 DUE

Topics
- Executive Leadership
- Strategic Management
- Resource Management
- Community Collaboration
- Critical Thinking
- There is More Than One Right Answer

Required Readings


Recommended Resources and Websites
Network for Social Work Management (NSWM) – www.socialworkmanager.org

Association for Community Organization and Social Administration (ACCOSA) - https://www.acosa.org/joomla/
Unit 5 – Intra-Interpersonal Competencies: Knowledge and Skills

Topics
- Personal vision/Strategic Plan
- Energy and Time Budget
- Managing Your Health
- Managing Oneself

Required Readings

https://www.forbes.com/sites/forbescoachescouncil/2017/11/02/power-vs-influence-knowing-the-difference-could-make-or-break-your-company/#437ae438357c

Recommended Resources and Websites
Powerful Time Budget Management Strategy
https://sidsavara.com/time-management-strategy-time-budget/

Simon Sinek TEDTalk on How Leaders Inspire Action
https://www.ted.com/talks/simon_sinek_how_great_leaders_inspire_action

PART II – EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP AND TECHNICAL COMPETENCIES

Unit 6 – Technical Competencies

Topics
- Budgeting and Social Exploitation
- Activity-based Costing/PUMA
- Index of Difference
- The Total Compensation Model: Hard Pay
- The Total Compensation Model: Soft Pay

Required Readings
Tropman, J. The Compensation Solution.
http://catdir.loc.gov/catdir/samples/wiley031/2001001166.pdf


Recommended Resources and Websites
Activity Based Costing (ABC) Explanation and Examples
https://www.accountingcoach.com/activity-based-costing/explanation
Unit 7 – Impact Competencies

Topics
- Team Science
- The Agenda
- Principles: The Magnificent Seven
- The Recipe: Manage Information, Process and Words
- Tips for Great Presentations

Required Readings

Google Project Aristotle: Five Keys to Team Success

Recommended Resources and Websites
Running successful meetings in local government
https://www.icompasstech.com/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMI3ZOM0dXn4ALVk7XAXCh34qgYREAAAYAiAAEgLV4vD_BwE

Unit 8 – Decision Making and Orchestrating Decisions

Topics
- The Deeper Structure of Decision Making
- Let’s Take a Closer Look
- What is Needed: Steps in the Decision Process
- New Techniques for Decision Management

Required Readings

Corporate Responsibility and Corporate Compliance
https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/docs/complianceguidance/040203corpresprscceguide.pdf


Recommended Resources and Websites
The Oxigen Project: https://www.theoxygenproject.com/our-story
PART III – EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP AND THE ORGANIZATION

Unit 9 – Conditions (Agency Structure and Culture)

Topics
- Overview of Conditions
- The Theoretical Organization
- Organizational Culture
- Values are Juxtaposed Rather Than Opposed
- Behavioral Ethics

Required Readings


What is Organizational Culture? Definition and characteristics
https://study.com/academy/lesson/what-is-organizational-culture-definition-characteristics.html

Recommended Resources and Websites
Strategic Planning - https://www.balancedscorecard.org/BSC-Basics/Strategic-Planning-Basics

Unit 10 - Context

Topics
- Context
- The Protestant and Catholic Ethic
- The Two Capitalisms
- American Negativism: 19th, 20th and 21st Centuries

Required Readings
Business and society: Creating shared value: In conversation with N. R. Narayana Murthy, Founder, Infosys
https://ac.els-cdn.com/S0970389616000069/1-s2.0-S0970389616000069-main.pdf?_tid=6fd0062-515a-4d57-9962-023b7b51c7e1&acdnat=1551732487_bc96522727b0c2e0759e76bc283774

McLaughlin, K., & McMillion, D. Business in society in coming decades
Tropman, J. (2010). The “catholic ethic” v. the “protestant ethic” catholic social service and the welfare state

Recommended Resources and Websites
Science Direct
https://www.sciencedirect.com/

Unit 11 – Introducing and Managing Change

Topics
- Three Forms of Change
- Tichy and Devanna’s Process of Change
- Transformational Leadership
- Herbert Simon’s Cost of Change

Required Readings


Watt, W. Facilitating social change leadership theory: 10 recommendations toward effective leadership
http://www.journalofleadershiped.org/attachments/article/184/Watt.pdf

Recommended Resources and Websites
Real Leaders Negotiate to Meet their Organization’s Goals -
https://www.pon.harvard.edu/daily/leadership-skills-daily/real-leaders-negotiate-meet-organizations-goals/

Unit 12 - Leadership Perspective: Impact and Relevance

Topics
- Great Presentation
- Executive Leadership Perspectives
- Long Lasting Companies: The Century Club
- Hiring Well
- Form of Dying
- Executive Presence
Required Readings
Monarth, H. Executive presence


Ten Tips for a Good Presentation
https://www.presentationmagazine.com/ten-tips-for-a-good-presentation-9292.htm

Recommended Resources and Websites
10 Tips for More Effective PowerPoint Presentations by Dustin Wax
https://www.lifehack.org/articles/featured/10-tips-for-more-effective-powerpoint-presentations.html

Unit 13 – Behavior IN Organizations

Topics
- Behavior IN and OF organizations
- Coping and Survival
- Executive Departure and Derailment
- What is going on? How do we explain all of this?

Required Readings

Federer, D. 10 signs you company may be toxic
https://federerperformance.com/2018/03/20/10-signs-company-culture-toxic/

Questions to ask a CEO to ensure a healthy company culture
https://getlighthouse.com/blog/questions-to-ask-a-ceo-healthy-culture/

Recommended Resources and Websites
The Servant Leadership Institute
https://www.servantleadershipinstitute.com/

Unit 14 – Behavior OF Organizations

Topics
- The Toxic Organization
- Examples of Toxic Organizations

Student Presentations
Part 1
Student Presentations (Part 1)

**Required Readings**

Malchiodi, C. Humor: The human gift for coping and survival  

**Recommended Resources and Websites**


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**Unit 15 – Student Presentations (Part 2)**

**Topics**
- Student Presentations (Part 2)
XI. Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend every class and to remain in class for the duration of the unit. Failure to attend class or arriving late may impact your ability to achieve course objectives which could affect your course grade. Students are expected to notify the instructor by email (araque@usc.edu) of any anticipated absence or reason for tardiness.

University of Southern California policy permits students to be excused from class for the observance of religious holy days. This policy also covers scheduled final examinations which conflict with students’ observance of a holy day. Students must make arrangements in advance to complete class work which will be missed, or to reschedule an examination, due to holy days observance.

Please refer to Scampus and to the USC School of Social Work Student Handbook for additional information on attendance policies.

XII. Academic Conduct

Plagiarism – presenting someone else’s ideas as your own, either verbatim or recast in your own words – is a serious academic offense with serious consequences. Please familiarize yourself with the discussion of plagiarism in SCampus in Part B, Section 11, “Behavior Violating University Standards” https://policy.usc.edu/scampus-part-b/. Other forms of academic dishonesty are equally unacceptable. See additional information in SCampus and university policies on scientific misconduct, http://policy.usc.edu/scientific-misconduct

XIII. Support Systems

Student Counseling Services (SCS) – (213) 740-7711 – 24/7 on call
Free and confidential mental health treatment for students, including short-term psychotherapy, group counseling, stress fitness workshops, and crisis intervention. engemannshc.usc.edu/counseling

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline – 1 (800) 273-8255
Provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention Services (RSVP) – (213) 740-4900 – 24/7 on call
Free and confidential therapy services, workshops, and training for situations related to gender-based harm. engemannshc.usc.edu/rsvp

Sexual Assault Resource Center
For more information about how to get help or help a survivor, rights, reporting options, and additional resources, visit the website: sarc.usc.edu

Office of Equity and Diversity (OED)/Title IX Compliance – (213) 740-5086
Works with faculty, staff, visitors, applicants, and students around issues of protected class. equity.usc.edu

*Bias Assessment Response and Support*
Incidents of bias, hate crimes and micro aggressions need to be reported allowing for appropriate investigation and response. studentaffairs.usc.edu/bias-assessment-response-support

*The Office of Disability Services and Programs*
Provides certification for students with disabilities and helps arrange relevant accommodations. dsp.usc.edu

**USC Support and Advocacy (USCSA) – (213) 821-4710**
Assists students and families in resolving complex issues adversely affecting their success as a student EX: personal, financial, and academic. studentaffairs.usc.edu/ssa

**Diversity at USC**
Information on events, programs and training, the Diversity Task Force (including representatives for each school), chronology, participation, and various resources for students. diversity.usc.edu

**USC Emergency Information**
Provides safety and other updates, including ways in which instruction will be continued if an officially declared emergency makes travel to campus infeasible. emergency.usc.edu

**USC Department of Public Safety – UPC: (213) 740-4321 – HSC: (323) 442-1000 – 24-hour emergency or to report a crime.** Provides overall safety to USC community. dps.usc.edu

**XIV. Policy on Late or Make-Up Work**
Papers are due on the day and time specified. Extensions will be granted only for extenuating circumstances. If the paper is late without permission, the grade will be affected.

**XV. Policy on Changes to the Syllabus and/or Course Requirements**
It may be necessary to make some adjustments in the syllabus during the semester in order to respond to unforeseen or extenuating circumstances. Adjustments that are made will be communicated to students both verbally and in writing.

**XVI. Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers**
Approved by the 1996 NASW Delegate Assembly and revised by the 2008 NASW Delegate Assembly [http://www.socialworkers.org/pubs/Code/code.asp]

**Preamble**
The primary mission of the social work profession is to enhance human well-being and help meet the basic human needs of all people, with particular attention to the needs and empowerment of people who are vulnerable, oppressed, and living in poverty. A historic and defining feature of social work is the profession’s focus on individual well-being in a social context and the well-being
of society. Fundamental to social work is attention to the environmental forces that create, contribute to, and address problems in living.

Social workers promote social justice and social change with and on behalf of clients. “Clients” is used inclusively to refer to individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities. Social workers are sensitive to cultural and ethnic diversity and strive to end discrimination, oppression, poverty, and other forms of social injustice. These activities may be in the form of direct practice, community organizing, supervision, consultation administration, advocacy, social and political action, policy development and implementation, education, and research and evaluation. Social workers seek to enhance the capacity of people to address their own needs. Social workers also seek to promote the responsiveness of organizations, communities, and other social institutions to individuals’ needs and social problems.

The mission of the social work profession is rooted in a set of core values. These core values, embraced by social workers throughout the profession’s history, are the foundation of social work’s unique purpose and perspective:

- Service
- Social justice
- Dignity and worth of the person
- Importance of human relationships
- Integrity
- Competence

This constellation of core values reflects what is unique to the social work profession. Core values, and the principles that flow from them, must be balanced within the context and complexity of the human experience.

XVII. Academic Dishonesty Sanction Guidelines

Some lecture slides, notes, or exercises used in this course may be the property of the textbook publisher or other third parties. All other course material, including but not limited to slides developed by the instructor(s), the syllabus, assignments, course notes, course recordings (whether audio or video) and examinations or quizzes are the property of the University or of the individual instructor who developed them. Students are free to use this material for study and learning, and for discussion with others, including those who may not be in this class, unless the instructor imposes more stringent requirements. Republishing or redistributing this material, including uploading it to web sites or linking to it through services like iTunes, violates the rights of the copyright holder and is prohibited. There are civil and criminal penalties for copyright violation. Publishing or redistributing this material in a way that might give others an unfair advantage in this or future courses may subject you to penalties for academic misconduct.

XVIII. Complaints

If you have a complaint or concern about the course or the instructor, please discuss it first with the instructor. If you feel cannot discuss it with the instructor, contact the Course Lead: Dr. Juan Carlos Araque (araque@usc.edu).
XIX. **Tips for Maximizing Your Learning Experience in this Course**

- Be mindful of getting proper nutrition, exercise, rest and sleep!
- Come to class.
- Complete required readings and assignments BEFORE coming to class.
- BEFORE coming to class, review the materials from the previous Unit AND the current Unit, AND scan the topics to be covered in the next Unit.
- Come to class prepared to ask any questions you might have.
- Participate in class discussions.
- AFTER you leave class, review the materials assigned for that Unit again, along with your notes from that Unit.
- If you don't understand something, ask questions! Ask questions in class, during office hours, and/or through email!
- Keep up with the assigned readings.

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*Don’t procrastinate or postpone working on assignments.*