



CENTRE COLLEGE

Student Leadership

Centre College Leadership Certificate

Centre College's mission is to prepare students for lives of learning, leadership and service.

To aid students in their quest for leadership development, a new leadership certificate program is being offered to all students. The leadership certificate is based on a model of servant leadership and incorporates many components. At Centre, we define "leadership" as *the willingness and ability to make positive changes in our world.*

By obtaining a Centre College leadership certificate, students should be able to demonstrate the following:

- 1) A deeper understanding of self through activities and reflection.**
- 2) An awareness of college and community resources, creative problem solving methods, and social entrepreneurship options.**
- 3) A dedication to service and citizenship.**
- 4) The ability to communicate effectively both interpersonally and in groups.**
- 5) An understanding of and appreciation for diversity in our world.**
- 6) A willingness and demonstration of taking initiative.**

To obtain a leadership certificate at Centre College, you must earn at least 100 total points by completing your choice of a variety of activities. Once you have completed an activity, you have one week to record it by submitting details of your participation to the online form located at <https://goo.gl/forms/iOSUGSMhoV4l2GD73>. Points for events that are recurring have a maximum limit indicated, otherwise participants may only receive points once for the activity.

The certificate program is based on the honor system. Should a student falsely submit participation in an activity, that student will be ineligible for the certificate. Violation of Centre College policy may also exempt eligibility to receive a leadership certificate.

Some convocations and other campus events will count for leadership credit. To stay updated with the ongoing opportunities for earning leadership points, sign up for the Leadership Newsletter by emailing kendrick.durham@centre.edu

2 points each:

- Participate in a Leadership Lifestyle Series workshop (maximum 10 points)
- Attend a designated leadership convocation (maximum 8 points)
- Participate in a designated leadership residential hall program (maximum 6 points)
- Join LinkedIn and complete a profile
- Join a campus organization (maximum 6 points)
- Meet with a counselor at the Center for Career and Professional Development (maximum 6 points)
- Attend a career fair
- Participate in an Emerging Professionals Series workshop (maximum 10 points)
- Practice interviewing skills in the Center for Career and Professional Development
- Send a handwritten thank you letter to someone who has shown support for you
- Utilize the Writing Center
- Send a letter to a political official expressing an opinion on an issue important to you
- Individual meeting with the Director of Student Leadership
- Serve as an Admissions tour guide
- Nominate another student for the leadership certificate program
- Create and submit a personal business card design
- Vote in a state or national election

5 points each:

- Attend an approved leadership conference (maximum 10 points)
 - Attend an approved academic research conference (maximum 10 points)
 - Participate in a leadership retreat such as Centre Compass, LeaderShape or Posse Plus
 - Complete an inventory such as StrengthsQuest and UScience and submit results
 - Hold a leadership/officer position in a club or organization (maximum 10 points)
 - Check out an item from the leadership library on the 2nd floor of Combs Warehouse and write a paragraph reflection (maximum 10 points)
 - Participate in an athletic team on campus for at least 2 years
 - Serve as an Orientation Leader on campus
 - Participate in Alternative Spring Break
 - Apply for a major scholarship such as the Fulbright, Rotary, etc.
 - Serve on an official College committee
 - Complete Centre Ally Training
 - Fundraise for a cause about which you are passionate
 - Complete 5 service hours and a reflection assignment
 - Present at RICE on campus
 - Create and submit a resume
 - Conduct a research project
 - Complete QPR suicide prevention training
 - Participate in a theatrical or musical performance, submit an original work to Vantage Point or another literary magazine
 - Serve as an SGA representative
 - Work as an Admission Senior Interviewer
 - Serve as a Rho Gamma
- * Some work study positions may qualify for leadership points. See Director for details.

10 points each:

- Complete an internship
 - Publish a research paper
 - Become a Resident Assistant on campus
 - Serve on the executive board of SGA
 - Create a new Centre club or organization that remains active for at least one year
 - Participate in a scholarship program, including Bonner, Brown, Grissom, Lincoln, or Posse (graduate in good standing)
 - Become an athletic Team Captain
 - Serve as president of a Greek organization
 - Complete a John C. Young research project
 - Create and present a Leadership Lifestyle Series workshop
 - Study away or abroad for a term (maximum 20 points)
 - Complete an approved academic leadership course
 - Serve on Student Judiciary
- * Some summer work positions may qualify for leadership points. See Director for details.

Required for all participants:

First Year or Sophomore Year: Watch and reflect upon at least two senior capstone presentations
First year students must choose at least two senior capstone presentations to view. The power of learning from and supporting others is a critical component of the leadership certificate program.

Sophomore Year: Online Portfolio

Sophomores must submit a link to a personal online portfolio to the director of student leadership. While personal portfolios vary greatly in content and style, it is encouraged that participants include their personal leadership statements and a resume.

Junior Year: Personal Leadership Statement & Assessment

All juniors in the program must submit a personal statement of at least 500 words to the director of student leadership. Personal statements should reflect your passions, goals, and understanding of what leadership means to you. Juniors will also submit names of 10-20 peers, faculty, staff, or supervisors to the director to participate in an anonymous leadership review. Results will be shared with the student.

Senior Year: Capstone Presentation

The capstone presentation is a 5-10 minute multimedia presentation that is videotaped and reviewed by a group of Centre and community professionals. Presentations will include three areas: 1) The 3 top leadership areas in which you have grown during your undergraduate career, 2) The main leadership area in which you need to grow and a plan for improvement, and 3) Your plans for the future and how you researched and chose the next steps in your life.

Students must graduate with at least a 3.2 GPA in order to receive a leadership certificate.

****Students may petition for points for other activities and involvement not listed above.***

If you have suggestions or questions about the program, please contact Kendrick Durham at kendrick.durham@centre.edu or call (859) 238-5743.