

Online Bachelor Completion Program Pre-Syllabus

Class ID and Title: TAS 301, Intro to Technical & Applied Studies

Quarter and Year: Winter 2009-2010

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Course Description:

This course will introduce technical associate degree holders to professional studies through an examination of program requirements and goals. The historical overview of the development of various technologies and their influence on Western Civilization will lead to the consideration of the nature of technology and its many societal functions. Within that historical and theoretical context, students will be introduced to various management technologies and theories of leadership, and will be required to assess their own individual beliefs and skills.

Prerequisites: None

Learning Objectives: After completing this course, students will be able to: (describe what students should be able to do, know, analyze, etc.)

1. Identify distinctions between technical and professional skills and the implications of those skills within an organizational setting.
 2. Understand some of the technological advances in Western culture through the 20th century.
 3. Recognize the impact that technological innovations had on society.
 4. Examine case studies and apply leadership skills to address issues and dilemmas.
 5. Make use of good writing and communication skills in written reports.
 6. Integrate leadership lessons when analyzing the skills demonstrated by a technological leader when writing the major term paper.
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General Course Requirements:

1. Discussions – Three on technology related and leadership topics
 2. Three Reflections Papers and one test on technology related topics
 3. Term paper on a technology leader
 4. Quizzes – Five based on chapters from the leadership textbook
 5. Case Studies – Four based on cases from the leadership textbook
 6. Final Exam from topics covered in the leadership part of the course
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Required and Optional Materials: (Please provide author, title, year, edition, publisher, ISBN if avail.)

Text(s): Leadership: Theory and Practice, 4th ed., by Peter G. Northouse
Sage Publications, ISBN: 1-4129-4161-X or 978-1-412941-61-7 (paperback)

Additional or Optional Materials: Additional reading materials available on the Blackboard website

Exam Requirements: (If known)

Number of exams: One final examination on March 18 -19- 20, 2009. Students may take the exam on any one of these days.

Proctoring requirements: Proctored

Special examination requirements (i.e. open book with notes allowed, calculators permitted, etc.)

Online, closed book, password required