

# MBU INSTITUTE

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# LEADERSHIP

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The MBU Institute for Leadership is designed for students of any background or academic major who are interested in developing their leadership skills. Through this program, students will pursue the academic study of leadership as well as its practical and personal application in the community.

To qualify for the Institute, you must:

- Be a full-time student
- Have a cumulative 2.5 GPA
- Have completed 12 credit hours at MBU by January 2019
- Be active in at least 2 organizations at MBU while in the program

To apply, please submit the following documents by September 21, 2018.

- Two MBU Faculty or Staff references
- The attached application

Only a select number of students will be admitted into the program. Top applicants will be contacted for interviews. Selected students are required to attend a Leadership Retreat on January 5-6, 2019. If you have any questions, contact Lara Hines at [lara.hines@mobap.edu](mailto:lara.hines@mobap.edu).



## ESSAY QUESTIONS

*Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper and attach your responses to the application. Please limit your responses to no more than two typed pages total.*

1. What is your definition of leadership, and what specific leadership skills do you hope to develop by participating in the MBU Institute for Leadership?
2. Describe someone that you know personally who exemplifies leadership. How are you and that person alike and how would you like to become more like him or her?

## REFERENCES

Two letters of recommendation must be completed and submitted by MBU Faculty and/or Staff members. Please list the two persons whom you are asking to submit references on your behalf. If you have any problems in obtaining these specific references please contact Lara Hines in the Office of Student Activities.

	Name	Title	Phone
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____

*To the best of my knowledge, the facts set forth in my application are true, complete, and my own work. I understand that incomplete or false information may subject me to disqualification from the Institute for Leadership selection process. I understand that the Office of Student Development will be accessing certain University records, including GPA and disciplinary records during the selection process.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applications and References must be returned by September 26, 2015. Forms may be submitted to the Office of Student Activities or faxed attn: Lara Hines at (314) 392.2243.

# FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions)

**Q**: If I decide to apply for the MBU Institute for Leadership program, what exactly am I signing up for? What kind of commitment will this program require?

**A**: Participants in the MBU Institute for Leadership program will:

- Enroll in and complete IDST 311: Leadership Development (one credit hour)
- Meet with a designated professional mentor once monthly
- Complete 100 service hours
- Attend the Leadership Retreat in January 2019
- Attend monthly meetings during the fall semester (after the conclusion of the class)
- Complete a final Leadership Assessment

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**Q**: How long will this program take?

**A**: This program is designed to be completed in one year. The program will begin with the Leadership Retreat in January and will conclude within a year.

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**Q**: How will I benefit from participating in the MBU Institute for Leadership?

**A**: Students who participate in this program will receive innumerable benefits—both tangible and intangible. Beyond wonderful leadership development and professional networking opportunities, you will also be recognized at the Outstanding Students of Achievement ceremony.

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**Q**: Alright, you've convinced me to apply! Is there anything special I should know?

**A**: The best piece of advice we can give is to be yourself. This application is an opportunity for you to show us who you are and why you should be part of the Institute for Leadership.

If you have any other questions, please let us know!