

**Bobcat Leadership Series**  
Introduction to Leadership  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Fridays  
Bobcat Lair (KL 169)

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**Margo F. Souza Student Leadership Center Statement of Purpose**

The Margo F. Souza Student Leadership Center, within the Office of Student Life, aspires to develop students' leadership skills, knowledge, capacity, and self-efficacy while also empowering them to thrive as life-long learners and leaders in the 21st century. Aligning with the Office of Student Life mission, the Margo F. Souza Center provides a guiding framework for student success in leadership development in order to help students become transformational leaders of positive social change worldwide.

**For more information about what we do please visit:**

<http://studentleadership.ucmerced.edu/>

**Bobcat Leadership Series Goals**

Upon completion of the Bobcat Leadership Series students will gain...

- An understanding of The Social Change Model of Leadership Development
- The ability to apply learned concepts to campus and professional life
- Self-awareness of personal leadership styles, skills, and values
- Networking opportunities with other on-campus leaders

**Certification**

If you complete the Bobcat Leadership Series you will be invited to and recognized at the end of the semester BLS Celebration, will receive a Bobcat Leadership Series Certificate and an "I'm a Bobcat Leader" t-shirt.

To complete BLS you must:

- Join the Souza Center group on [Catlife](#)
- Attend a workshop in each of the first 6 Social Change Model "C"s.
- Participate in at least 1 hour of approved community service engagement.
- Complete & submit a Tier 1 Reflection after completing all previous tasks, due before BLS Ceremony. See below for the prompt for the reflection:

**Prompt for Tier 1 Reflection:**

In 400-500 words please reflect on what you have learned about the Seven C's of the Social Change Model of Leadership Development. You must discuss at least one 'C' in each area of the model:

- Individual: Consciousness of Self, Congruence, or Commitment
- Group: Collaboration, Common Purpose, or Controversy with Civility
- Society: Citizenship

In this reflection, you must also discuss and provide examples of how you have utilized what you have learned about leadership in your organization, community involvement, or work environment

**CatLife**

To more readily access the resources provided in the Bobcat Leadership Series, join the Souza Leadership Center on CatLife: <https://catlife.ucmerced.edu/organization/Leadership>

**References**

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## Fall 2016 Semester Sessions

**Note:** The Bobcat Leadership Series can be completed in one semester by attending each session within a track. Tuesday and Wednesday sections repeat mid-semester, the Friday track begins in the seventh week of the semester.

### Sections:

- Tuesday Section: 3-4pm
- Wednesday Section: 6-7pm
- Friday Section: 11am-12pm

**All Workshops are located in the Bobcat Lair (KL 169)**

<b>Social Change Model 'C'</b>	<b>Tuesday Section 3-4pm</b>	<b>Wednesday Section 6-7pm</b>	<b>Friday Section 11am-12pm</b>	<b>Workshop Title</b>	<b>Workshop Description</b>
<b>Consciousness of Self</b>	1/24	3/15	2/17	Intro to SCM/ Personal Values	This session is an introduction to the Social Change Model of Leadership Development. We will also explore your values in order to understand your approach to leadership.
<b>Congruence</b>	1/31	3/22	2/24	Ethical Leadership	Exemplary leaders have the ability to make ethical decisions. While ethical choices aren't always cut and dry, to lead ethically is also leading with congruence.
<b>Commitment</b>	2/7	4/5	3/3	Start with 'Why'	This session explores the meaning of commitment and how developing your 'why' will help you commit to your values and to social change.
<b>Collaboration</b>	2/14	4/12	3/10	Developing Successful Groups	In this session we will explore the various stages of group development and how you can guide groups through them. We will also explore aptitude towards managing tone and integrating out-groups.
<b>Common Purpose</b>	2/21	4/19	3/17	Trust Building	Building trust in organizations and groups is key to long-term success. During this workshop, learn skills and activities designed to build trust in the groups in which you are involved.
<b>Controversy with Civility</b>	2/28	4/26	3/24	Conflict vs. Controversy	When leading a group conflict happens often but leaders need to know how to guide groups through the much more fruitful form of controversy. Learn how to help members disagree with civility.
<b>Citizenship</b>	Completed on your own through volunteer service and then submitted onto CatLife as an Experience through Souza Center Curriculum (Step by step instructions will be provided).				
<b>BLS Celebration</b>	3/7	5/3	4/7	Come join us to celebrate your completion of the program! Eat pizza, socialize, and receive your t-shirt and certificate!	