Any course offered at Birmingham-Southern or through the Birmingham Area Consortium of Higher Education (BACHE) may qualify for fulfillment of one of the two DLS designated courses in the Distinction in Leadership Studies program. Should a student see a connection to leadership in a course they are taking, they should contact the professor and the DLS program director no later than mid-term and formally indicate that they would like to use the course to fulfill their DLS requirement. Students earning credit towards the DLS program complete a project or paper focused on leadership in the designated course. The following criteria must be met in order for the course to fulfill DLS requirements:

1. The student should meet with the professor teaching the course and obtain his or her consent to the designation. The student should meet with the professor as early as possible to obtain consent.

2. The student and the professor determine which of the course materials address leadership and determine if additional readings or materials are required. The DLS program director can participate in this determination.

3. The student and the professor determine the project that will focus on leadership. The project may be a modification of an existing assignment in the course that the professor and student believe will allow for a fruitful discussion or examination of leadership and the leadership process.

4. The student should inform the DLS program director of a) the professor's consent, b) the course materials, and c) the required project. Students must inform the director no later than mid-term.

5. The Hess Center Faculty Committee will consider and, hopefully, approve the request.

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