

# Human Systems Leadership, Psy 424

**OFFERED AGAIN IN FALL 2008**

**TIME:**

WEDNESDAY FROM 8:00-11:40AM

**ROOM:**

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## WITHIN EACH OF US WE HAVE THE CAPACITY TO LEAD

Leadership is not for a special few. We all practice it. We are leading when we are able to influence and understand the impact we have on the families, organizations, communities and ultimately the natural environment in which we live and work. Developing, understanding and applying our personal leadership skills, ability and style to affect change requires clarity about who we are as individuals, what is important to us, and what we believe is worthwhile pursuing.

### COURSE GOAL:

The goal for this course is for students to gain insight into human systems at all levels (from the families, to business organizations to the global environment) and to explore leadership behaviors that support human systems to function more effectively and humanely.

### COURSE FORMAT:

This 4-unit course is both seminar-style and field-project oriented. The seminar aspect combines discussion of theory and concepts and reading and writing assignments with the use of experiential learning activities. The fieldwork utilizes phenomenological approaches to understanding leadership, including experiences in class and in the human systems that we are part of in our daily lives. In addition we will practice specific skills to build our capacity to lead.