



Ignite your World

2009

Canisius College
Leadership Conference

Saturday, September 19, 2009
Montante Cultural Center

Presented by:

Campus Programming & Leadership Development (CPLD)
College Student Personnel Administration program, Class of 2010

Conference at a Glance

TIME	PROGRAM	LOCATION
9:30am—10:00am	<i>Check-In</i>	Montante Cultural Center
10:00am—10:20am	<i>Welcome Session</i>	Montante Cultural Center
Workshop I 10:30am - 11:10am	<i>What Pop Culture Teaches Us About Leadership</i>	Horan O'Donnell 107
	<i>Leading in the Jesuit Tradition</i>	Horan O'Donnell 109
	<i>What to do? When Problems Arise in a Group</i>	Horan O'Donnell 201
Workshop II 11:20am - Noon	<i>Leadership and the Power of Influence</i>	Horan O'Donnell 201
	<i>Effective Communication: The Foundation of Effective Leadership</i>	Horan O'Donnell 107
	<i>Student Affairs as a Career?</i>	Horan O'Donnell 109
Workshop III 12:10pm - 12:50pm	<i>Can you Make it Across?</i>	Horan O'Donnell 201
	<i>Keeping your Flame Ignited</i>	Horan O'Donnell 107
	<i>Recruitment and Retention</i>	Horan O'Donnell 109
1:00pm — 2:00pm	<i>Conference Luncheon & Plenary Presentation</i>	Montante Cultural Center
Workshop IV 2:10pm - 2:50pm	<i>Canisius College: Where Servant Leaders are Made?</i>	Horan O'Donnell 107
	<i>Social Change in Action: An Overview of the Canisius Leadership Institute</i>	Horan O'Donnell 109
	<i>Promoting Responsibility</i>	Horan O'Donnell 201
Workshop V 3:00pm - 3:40pm	<i>Diversity: Crossing the Line</i>	Horan O'Donnell 201
	<i>Attitude Makes a Difference</i>	Horan O'Donnell 109
	<i>Conflict Management Strategies</i>	Horan O'Donnell 107
Workshop VI 3:50pm - 4:30pm	<i>Communication During Difficult Situations</i>	Horan O'Donnell 107
	<i>True Colors</i>	Horan O'Donnell 109
	<i>Managing Student Organization Funds</i>	Montante Cultural Center
4:40pm—5:00pm	<i>Conference Wrap Up / Evaluation</i>	Montante Cultural Center

Welcome to the 2009 Student Leadership Conference!

On behalf of the office of Campus Programming & Leadership Development we welcome you to the “Ignite Your World” Student Leadership Conference! This conference is a collaborative effort between the office of Campus Programming & Leadership Development and the College Student Personnel Administration graduate class of 2010.

This conference is designed to introduce you to the different aspects of leadership while allowing current student leaders the chance to hone their leadership skills. Based on last years Student Organization Training, we have created three distinct tracks: *all students, new leaders, and experienced leaders.*

The framework of the conference is rooted in the Social Change Model of leadership development. See page 3 for more information on the Social Change Model and below for the conference learning outcomes .

We hope that you enjoy this one-day leadership development program and that you take full advantage of this opportunity to network and participate in a series of workshops offered by a diverse and dynamic group of individuals. We wish you an enjoyable and enriching experience!

Brian Smith



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Leadership Conference Learning Outcomes

After attending the “Ignite Your World” Student Leadership Conference, participants will . . .

- Be able to explain that leadership is a process rather than a position.
- Have a better understanding of their own talents, values, and interests, especially as these relate to the student’s capacity to provide effective leadership.
- Be motivated to facilitate positive social change at Canisius or in the greater community.

Leadership Development Theory

Social Change Model



Social Change Model of Leadership Development

- Developed at UCLA through a grant from the Dwight D. Eisenhower Leadership Development Program.
- The working group first began to explore the development of a new model of leadership in 1994.
- The model was designed to prepare young leaders to initiate social change.
- Emphasizes collective action and shared power rather than “command and control”; views leadership primarily as a collective effort which utilizes student peer groups to enhance leadership development in the individual student.
- Requires a passionate commitment on the part of the “leader” to social justice.
- This model emphasizes clarification of values, development of self-awareness, trust, capacity to listen and serve others, and collaborative work bringing about change for the common good.

Seven Core Values of the Social Change Model

1. Consciousness of self
2. Congruency
3. Commitment
4. Collaboration
5. Common purpose
6. Controversy with civility
7. Citizenship

Conference Tracks

All Students: Sessions are appropriate for students at any leadership level.

New Leaders: Sessions are appropriate for students holding new leadership positions this semester.

Experienced Leaders: Sessions are appropriate for students who have held leadership positions prior to the current semester.

Welcome Session: 10:00am - 10:20am

All Students

Welcome & Conference Schedule

Presented by: Welcome to the 2009 Student Leadership Conference!
Brian Smith

Location: *Montante Cultural Center*
Leadership is the relational and ethical process of developing a vision, articulating that vision, empowering people to actively pursue that vision with confidence and integrity, and inspiring them to become advocates for and agents of change.

All Students

Canisius College Business Office

Presented by: The Canisius College Business office can be a club treasurer's best friend! They not only process checks to pay performers, they also process the reimbursement checks that go back into your pocket.
JoAnn Feary

Location: This session will be a basic lesson on Canisius' tax exempt status, cash advances, reimbursements, and more.
Montante Cultural Center

All Students

CHOICES Grant

Presented by: The Canisius College Golden Griffin CHOICES program is a peer education and peer mentoring program which has been developed to reduce high risk drinking behavior among Canisius College students. By design, the CHOICES program capitalizes on the intrinsic leadership of student-athletes to enhance the knowledge of the harmful effects of alcohol abuse amongst all students. In this session you will learn how clubs and organizations can be a part of this exciting new program.
Chelsea Carhart

Location:
Montante Cultural Center

Workshop I: 10:30am - 11:10am

All Students

What Pop Culture Teaches Us About Leadership

Presented by:

Mike Petro

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 107

Most of us use pop culture as a much needed break from the stresses of everyday life. We look to books, music, movies, television and the internet as sources of entertainment and amusement. However, if you take a look at much of pop culture, there are a lot of lessons to be found. In this highly interactive session, using examples from recent movies to the Simpsons, the Internet, and more, participants will explore how leadership is all around and portrayed in many different ways.

New Leaders

Leading in the Jesuit Tradition

Presented by:

Kate Maher

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 109

The concept of Ignatian leadership has proven to be a successful model for the Society of Jesus over the last 450 years. At its core are four principles: self awareness, ingenuity, love, and heroism. Incorporating these principles into your leadership role as well as your life will allow you to look into yourself and envision what you see for your group or club as well as for your life. This will allow you to be flexible with change while adhering to your principles and giving you the ability to foster relationships with others, all while constantly looking to achieve more.

Experienced Leaders

What to do? When Problems Arise in a Group

Presented by:

Hillary Knapp

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 201

“What to Do? When Problems Arise in a Group” will help student leaders learn problem-solving skills and decision-making skills for use in a group setting. Through an interactive exercise, participants will become a part of the process.

Workshop II: 11:20am - Noon

All Students

Leadership and the Power of Influence

Presented by:

Donna Grant

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 201

Being a leader can be a great accomplishment for anyone, but seeing the results of your labor is even better. This presentation will focus on the idea of using your role to influence those you lead, which in turn will cause them to do extraordinary things. It is important to possess the right skills to be a positive leader and to use those skills to influence others to take matters into their own hands and make a change for themselves and society as a whole.

Workshop II continued: 11:20am - Noon

New Leaders

Effective Communication: The Foundation of Effective Leadership

Presented by:
Justin Johnston

Location:
Horan O'Donnell 107

Effective communication is an essential element of successful leadership. This program will focus on ways to communicate more effectively, both verbally and nonverbally. Ways to remove barriers that hinder successful communication will also be discussed. This interactive program will allow participants to learn about their own communication styles as well as the styles of others. Learning to communicate more effectively with individuals of all communication styles will ensure increased productivity.

Experienced Leaders

Student Affairs as a Career?

Presented by:
Chris Kohler

Location:
Horan O'Donnell 109

Many undergraduates enjoy their student leadership and employment experiences, but have you considered making a career of those experiences? If you are interested in an exciting career helping college students, Student Affairs may be for you! Student Affairs professionals work in admissions, residence life, career services, student activities, and financial aid to just mention a few. This session will explore what Student Affairs is, the various aspects of student affairs, career options, and graduate school options. Come discover the world of Student Affairs!

Workshop III: 12:10pm - 12:50pm

All Students

Can you Make it Across?

Presented by:
Anthony Jupin

Location:
Horan O'Donnell 201

This presentation uses an interactive method providing participants the opportunity to work on communication, leadership, interdependence, and self-awareness. Using this activity, participants will be expected to encounter a challenge and then engage in a discussion after.

New Leaders

Keeping your Flame Ignited

Presented by:
Ryan Troup

Location:
Horan O'Donnell 107

Keeping yourself motivated and working towards a goal can be a difficult task. During this presentation you will learn about what motivation really is and how it differs from influence. Keeping yourself motivated is one of the most important parts of your job as a leader; if you don't want to do it, then who does?

Workshop III continued: 12:10pm - 12:50pm

Experienced Leaders

Recruitment and Retention

Presented by:
Benjamin Fabian

Location:
Horan O'Donnell 109

Whether you are starting a new student organization or a returning member of one of Canisius' older clubs, recruitment and retention of members is a challenge all organization leaders face. It is one thing to fill a contact sheet with student interest, but it is another to bring students back to your meetings and keep them motivated and coming back. In this program, students will be provided simple tips for recruiting new clubs members and retaining them for the entire year.

Conference Luncheon & Plenary Presentation: 1:00pm - 2:00pm

All Students

The Fish! Philosophy: Learning how to throw Fish in your everyday life as a leader

Presented by:
Samantha Calabrese

Location:
Montante Cultural Center

In this program, Canisius students will learn the Fish! philosophy and how to apply the philosophy within their clubs/organizations as well as their everyday lives. Students will discover how to create a dynamic environment where their team members can compete their tasks in a friendly, fun and fast paced atmosphere. Everyone will leave this presentation with the tools needed to bring energy and passion as a leader with them wherever they go!

Workshop IV: 2:10pm - 2:50pm

All Students

Canisius College: Where Servant Leaders are Made?

Presented by:
Mark Harrington

Location:
Horan O'Donnell 107

In this program, Canisius College student leaders will learn how to incorporate servant leadership within their club or organization through an interactive presentation. Servant leaders, like Martin Luther King Jr. and Mother Teresa, lived out the Jesuit philosophy of men and women for others; their style of leadership was selfless for the betterment of society. Do you have what it takes to become a servant leader? This program will help you make this a reality!

New Leaders

Social Change in Action: An Overview of the Canisius Leadership Institute

Presented by:
Patrick Lesswing

Location:
Horan O'Donnell 109

This program will highlight and explain the social change model and how Canisius College is putting the model into action by creating the "Canisius Leadership Institute." Students who attend will understand how the institute relates to the social change model and how it can help them create change in and around their community.

Workshop IV continued: 2:10pm - 2:50pm

Experienced Leaders

Promoting Responsibility

Presented by:

Cate Vivacqua

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 201

A student leader is more than just being part of a club or organization, there are more responsibilities than just making decisions during meetings. This program is for new and established student leaders, who are looking to develop their leadership role outside of Canisius College's campus. We will explore the different responsibilities that student leaders will need to have in order to maintain and grow into their leadership position. Using the Jesuit Four Pillars of Leadership, student leaders will learn there is more than one way to be a leader and responsibilities encompassing each pillar.

Workshop V: 3:00pm - 3:40pm

All Students

Diversity: Crossing the Line

Presented by:

Abby Cohen

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 201

Get ready to step out of your comfort zone as you and your peers "Cross the Line." This diversity activity will help you gain a better understanding of other student leaders that you may come in contact with. By identifying similarities and differences between you and your peers, you will leave with a better understanding of yourself as well as others. This activity encourages students to step out of their comfort zone (students are not required to disclose any information that they feel uncomfortable sharing).

New Leaders

Attitude Makes a Difference

Presented by:

Alison Strauss

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 109

This session will stress the importance of one's attitude and its correlation to successful leadership. Attitude is contagious and if you are positive and passionate about something, whether it be a club or organization on campus, a social justice cause, or a political stance, others will take your lead. Throughout this presentation, students will learn to assess their own attitude and understand how to exude a positive outlook, whereby making them more influential leaders.

Experienced Leaders

Conflict Management Strategies

Presented by:

Kate Leet

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 107

This program will focus on using strategies to resolve conflicts between individuals and groups. This program will also go over ways that you can use conflict to better your club or organization.

Workshop VI: 3:50pm - 4:30pm

All Students

Communication During Difficult Situations

Presented by:

Jason Steinas

This interactive program will provide students a variety of techniques to assist in maintaining open and effective communication during difficult situations. The situations could be anything from dealing with the current budget crunch, having a disagreement (personal or professional) with someone, or simply dealing with people who have strong personalities.

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 107

New Leaders

True Colors

Presented by:

Samantha Calabrese

Do you know what your leadership style is? Are you a lean green thinking machine, an orange fireball of energy, true blue, or good as gold? In this interactive session, participants will discover what their leadership style is as well as how to handle others who may not have the same style as them. Open to all conference participants, this session will have you explore all the different aspects of leadership and how to come together with your organization to create a harmonious environment.

Location:

Horan O'Donnell 109

Experienced Leaders

Managing Student Organization Funds

Presented by:

Emma Fabian

This presentation will explore the ins and outs of filling out USA Budget request forms. Tips and advice about being fiscally responsible will also be covered. There will be ample opportunity to ask questions and bounce ideas off one another. Club leaders will receive their 2009-2010 budget allocations at the close of this session.

Location:

Montante Cultural Center

Conference Wrap Up / Evaluation: 4:40pm - 5:00pm

All Students

Presented by:

Brian Smith

Katie Martoche

All conference participants are asked to meet one last time to debrief the day and to complete a conference evaluation form.

Location:

Montante Cultural Center