President’s Leadership Program
& Certificate in Leadership Studies

Scholarships
The Otero Junior College Foundation will provide annual scholarships in the amount of $1,000 to each selected scholar, based on available funds. This scholarship may be renewed for one more year if the scholar remains in good standing with the program. Continuation of scholarship awards past the first two years will be contingent upon funding.

Application Deadline is April 1st
Download scholarship applications at: www.ojc.edu/scholarships.aspx

Objective: To develop an academic, experiential and service learning program designed to foster and cultivate leaders who are:
• Ethical • Visionary • Critical & innovative thinkers • Committed to action • Servants of the broader good

Program Mission:
The mission of the program will be to develop and train emerging leaders at Otero Junior College through a one- or two-year academic leadership program that is focused on academics, experiential and service learning.

The program will serve as a bridge between the Otero Junior College community and the greater community by continually developing partnerships with area leaders, businesses, community service organizations, and universities.

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http://www.ojc.edu/leadership.aspx
Academic Learning
An academic certificate in Leadership Studies at Otero Junior College requires 12-credit hours of study and is limited to scholars who are accepted into the program. The program requires two core leadership courses and additional elective courses from a wide-variety of academic programs on campus. Students must complete the 6-credit hour leadership core plus an additional 6-credits of electives with a grade of “B” or higher to receive the certificate.

Required Leadership Core Courses
Members of the President’s Leadership Program must take:

- MAN 175 Foundations of Leadership - 3cr
- MAN 224* Leadership - 3cr
  *Prerequisite: MAN 175 with a “B” or better

PLP Elective List
Students must also take 2 of the following courses of choice for a total of 6 credit hours:

- MAN 128 Human Relations in Organizations
- BUS 217 Business Communications & Report Writing
- POS 205 International Relations
- COM 115 Public Speaking
- PHI 112 Ethics

What students are saying...
This is not just one of those “sit in a lecture and take a 200 question test” classes. This is engaging.
—Kurt Lieberknecht

From the fun leadership activities to the tight knit group [of students]...this program is everything and more.
—Coltin Grasmick

Experiential Learning
PLP scholars will be given ample opportunities to learn about leadership through numerous hands-on experiences throughout their one or two years in the program. Provided opportunities include annual leadership workshops and conferences, lectures from recognized leaders and leadership positions on campus and in the community. Participation in Phi Theta Kappa and other campus organizations is encouraged.

Service Learning
The program places an emphasis on community service and civic engagement in order to help scholars develop a social awareness, civic responsibility and interconnectedness. Scholars will be required to do a minimum of 30 hours of community service each semester they are enrolled in the program. A total of 120 service learning hours will be required over the course of the program.

Criteria for Selection
Selection is based on leadership potential, intellectual curiosity, a desire to give of oneself, as evidenced by the following:
- A minimum 3.2 cumulative grade point average
- Completed written application, including a written essay and examples of leadership and service experiences
- Two letters of recommendation
- High School or college transcripts
- Personal interview