



UNC CHARLOTTE

Innovative classes to build skills,
experience, and connections

Who are LEADS classes for?

LEADS classes are open to students from any major. You can take one class or participate in the LEADS certificate program.

What LEADS class should I take?

LEAD 2600, Foundations of LEADS (CRN 26751), is for freshmen and sophomores. LEAD 3000 classes are for those with sophomore or higher class standing.

LEADS Certificate Program

Complete 13 credit hours of LEADS classes to earn the LEADS certificate in **Innovative Thinking and Problem Solving**. Scan for more information.



Can I take multiple LEAD 3000 classes in the same semester?

Yes! You may take multiple sections of LEAD 3000 but this requires authorization. Message Dr. Warner (jmwarner@charlotte.edu) with the sections you wish to take so that authorizations can be added to your account prior to registration.



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LEADS COURSE-BASED INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

LEAD 3000-001 | CRN 26752

This class is unique in that it pairs a classroom learning experience with an internship experience. Our partner this semester is the Charlotte Mecklenburg Library. Student teams will work to develop creative solutions to leverage the power of volunteers to support programming in the many communities served by the 21 branches of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Library.

Tue/Thu 10:00–11:15am

3 credit hours

FOUNDATIONS AND PRACTICE OF ADVOCACY

LEAD 3000-003 | CRN 26755

Advocacy plays a major role in having your voice heard by those in power. In this class, you will acquire skills to advocate for yourself and for others. You will learn how to make your voice heard by building relationships and effectively influencing decision makers. You will become familiar with the ways advocates organize, develop strategies, and challenge prevailing assumptions.

Tue 2:30–3:45pm (hybrid)

3 credit hours

REALITY CHECK: ORGANIC PRODUCE

LEAD 3000-005 | CRN 26765

Produce labeled organic is generally considered by the public to be healthier, safer, and better for the environment than non-organic produce. Is this reality, or is it just marketing? In this interdisciplinary, discussion-based course students will explore and critically examine the practices of organic production and decide for themselves what it really offers.

Mon/Wed 8:00–8:50am

2 credit hours

PROFESSIONAL BRANDING

LEAD 3000-007 | CRN 26768

First impressions are important, but how do you create a consistent, positive image for yourself beyond that first encounter? This class explores the fundamentals of building a brand. Students will receive a foundation of branding theory, define their values and skills that build the core of their brand, and develop strategies and artifacts essential to conveying and maintaining a professional brand.

Thu 10:00–11:15am

1 credit hour

ETHICAL LEADERSHIP

LEAD 3000-009 | CRN 26771

FIRST HALF TERM

This class explores the principles of ethical leadership and how those principles can benefit individuals both personally and professionally. Students will develop strategies to improve decision making in the context of conflicting values and create a personalized action plan for approaching personal, societal, and organizational leadership dilemmas.

Tue 10:00am–12:00pm (synchronous online)

1 credit hour

CHANGE U: SCIENCE-BACKED METHODS FOR CHANGE

LEAD 3000-002 | CRN 26754

We all have goals we want to accomplish, good habits we want to implement, or bad habits we want to break. This course offers a practical approach to making goals a reality by leveraging the most recent research in behavior science and behavior economics. Whatever your goals, this course will introduce methods for overcoming barriers and getting where you want to go.

Mon 12:20–2:15pm

2 credit hours

THE ART OF COLLABORATION

LEAD 3000-004 | CRN 26756

This class explores the importance of teams, how they function, and what makes them successful. Students will learn about the stages of collaboration - forming, storming, norming, and performing - and how to successfully navigate each phase while actively engaging in collaborative work. By the end of the term, students will be prepared to contribute more effectively in collaborative settings.

Wed 2:30–4:30pm

2 credit hours

AI: DO'S, DON'TS, AND ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS

LEAD 3000-006 | CRN 26767

In a world where we are constantly reminded of the presence of artificial intelligence, there are a variety of opinions and hypotheses on how it will impact our world. This interdisciplinary, discussion-based class examines the intersection of AI with your personal life. During the semester, students will work on projects that involve interaction with individuals working in the AI space.

Tue/Thu 8:30–9:45am

3 credit hours

IDEAS TO IMPACT WITH THE SUPER FAB LAB

LEAD 3000-008 | CRN 26770

FIRST HALF TERM

In this course students from across disciplines collaborate to tackle real-world challenges facing the Charlotte community. Using the Charlotte Super Fab Lab as a hub for creativity and prototyping, teams will learn how to move ideas from concept to tangible solutions. No prior technical experience is required—just curiosity, collaboration, and a willingness to make an impact.

Tue/Thu 11:30am–12:45pm

1 credit hour

YOUR AUTHENTIC SELF: THE NEW LEADER

LEAD 3000-010 | CRN 26772

SECOND HALF TERM

This course unpacks the realities of becoming a true, authentic leader. Students will explore in-depth self-reflection and discovery in exploring the paradox of authenticity and will learn how to become a more authentic and mindful leader. Additionally, students will explore personal motivators, ethics, and values to gain clarity and confidence in becoming their most authentic selves.

Tue 10:00am–12:00pm (synchronous online)

1 credit hour