



2022 Course Outline













WATAUGA LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



DAY 1

Thursday, January 27th,, 10:00am-3:00pm



OPENING RETREAT - APP SKI MOUNTAIN

Meet your classmates and begin your leadership development journey with a day of socially distanced group activities and guest speakers.

Thursday, February 17th, 10:00am-3:00pm

DAY 2



LEADING WITH AUTHENTICITY

The world needs authentic leaders today more than ever. This session will give participants the opportunity to explore authentic leadership.

DAY 3

Thursday, March 3rd, 10:00am-3:00pm



KNOW THYSELF

A prerequisite for being an authentic leader is knowing your own motivations, life experiences, emotions, and willingness to take risks, and how these components of yourself evolve.

Thursday, March 17th, 10:00-3:00pm

DAY 4



LISTENING: THE CRITICAL SKILL FOR LEADERSHIP

Leadership is a relational process and, thus, requires effective communication skills. This session will focus on the critical leadership competencies of listening, perspective taking, and coaching.

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DAY 5

Thursday, March 31st, 10:00am-3:00pm



BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS AMONG PEOPLE WITH DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES

To be an inclusive leader, one must ensure that everyone agrees that they are being treated fairly and respectfully, are valued, and have a sense of belonging and are psychologically safe. In this session participants will explore diversity, inclusion, and leadership.

Thursday, April 14th, 10:00am-3:00pm

DAY 6



WORKING THROUGH CONFLICT

The word conflict usually has negative connotations. The best teams and organizations learn how to harness conflict and use it to their benefit. This session offers the opportunity to understand conflict as a tool for progress.

DAY 7

Thursday, April 28th, 10:00am-3:00pm



DO THE RIGHT THING: ETHICAL LEADERSHIP

Leadership should always be ethical. Yet, there are too many examples from business and government indicating that unethical leadership happens constantly. In this session, participants will look at leadership through the ethical lens and have the opportunity to consider their own moral compass.

Thursday, May 12th, 10:00am-3:00pm

DAY 8



THE NEXT STEP

The Watauga Leadership Institute has provided an opportunity for participants to learn about themselves, leadership, and their community. Now what? Participants will consider how to take what they have learned and apply it to their professional, civic, and personal lives.