

**Christian Leadership**  
**The John Leland Center for Theological Studies**  
**Arlington, VA**  
**Course Abstract for MF4115**

This is an intensive course which will focus on the major areas of interest within contemporary Christian leadership with a special emphasis upon leadership within the ministry of a local church. The student will be challenged to think critically about their own leadership style, appropriate measurements for identifying "success" as a leader and understanding the basic principles of implementing change and navigating through conflict resolution.

The course will be co-taught by Dr. Jerry Young and Dr. Bryan Jones. The class will meet June 5-6 and June 19-20 from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm each day. The course text book will be:

***Kotter, John. Leading Change. Harvard Business School Press. 1996.***

A preliminary assignment is required:

1. Read one of the four books listed below and to write a 4 page assessment of the book. The book must be read by the first class session, however, the paper does not need to be completed by the first class session.

***Bass, Richard. Leadership in Congregations. Alban Institute, 2006.***

***Collins, Jim. Good to Great, Harper Business, 2001.***

***Hybels, Bill. Courageous Leadership. Grand Rapid, MI: . Zondervan.***

***Maxwell, John C. The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership. Nashville, TN: Thomas Nelson Publishers.***

2. Complete a personality profile, DISC Survey. Email [Bryan@fbcalexandria.org](mailto:Bryan@fbcalexandria.org) for a copy of the Survey and return it to the same email address.