I. TITLE: Academic Leadership in Higher Education

II. COURSE DESCRIPTION AND PREREQUISITE(S):
This course will focus on various roles and responsibilities of faculty members and individuals within academic leadership positions. The administrative contexts and organizational cultures within which they work will be analyzed, along with the career patterns of the academic person.

Prerequisite(s): None

III. COURSE OBJECTIVES:
The student will be able to
A. investigate the role of faculty within the university structure;
B. articulate the nature of the work of faculty (teaching, scholarship, research);
C. identify the relationship of faculty to students, administrators, colleagues, and to the institution; and
D. develop an understanding of the roles and responsibilities of leaders and stakeholders in Academic Affairs.

IV. CONTENT OUTLINE:
A. Career patterns and training of academics
B. Recruitment and mobility of faculty
C. Tenure and promotion
D. Development of teaching and learning communities
E. Institutional roles of faculty and academic administrators
F. Roles and responsibilities of leaders in Academic Affairs
G. Roles and responsibilities of a university/college president
H. Roles and responsibilities of Board of Trustees/Board of Regents

V. INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES:
A. Classroom lecture and discussions
B. Engaged online discussion via Blackboard
C. Small group activities and discussions
D. Problem-based research projects
E. Reading contemporary articles
F. Reflective journaling

VI. FIELD, CLINICAL, AND/OR LABORATORY EXPERIENCES:
None

VII. TEXT(S) AND RESOURCES:

VIII. EVALUATION AND GRADING PROCEDURES:
Evaluation and grade will be determined by assignments, tests, and projects based on text, supplementary readings in professional journals, lectures, presentations, group activities, and class discussions.

IX. ATTENDANCE POLICY:
Students are expected to adhere to the MSU Attendance Policy outlined in the current MSU Bulletin.

X. ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY:
Murray State University takes seriously its moral and educational obligation to maintain high standards of academic honesty and ethical behavior. Instructors are expected to evaluate students’ academic achievements accurately, as well as ascertain that work submitted by students is authentic and the result of their own efforts, and consistent with established academic standards. Students are obligated to respect and abide by the basic standards of personal and professional integrity.

Violations of Academic Honesty include:
- **Cheating** - Intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized information such as books, notes, study aids, or other electronic, online, or digital devices in any academic exercise; as well as unauthorized communication of information by any means to or from others during any academic exercise.
- **Fabrication and Falsification** - Intentional alteration or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise. Falsification involves changing information whereas fabrication involves inventing or counterfeiting information.
- **Multiple Submission** - The submission of substantial portions of the same academic work, including oral reports, for credit more than once without authorization from the instructor.
- **Plagiarism** - Intentionally or knowingly representing the words, ideas, creative work, or data of someone else as one’s own in any academic exercise, without due and proper acknowledgement.

Instructors should outline their expectations that may go beyond the scope of this policy at the beginning of each course and identify such expectations and restrictions in the course syllabus. When an instructor receives evidence, either directly or indirectly, of academic dishonesty, he or she should investigate the instance. The faculty member should then take appropriate disciplinary action.

Disciplinary action may include, but is not limited to the following:
1) Requiring the student(s) to repeat the exercise or do additional related exercise(s).
2) Lowering the grade or failing the student(s) on the particular exercise(s) involved.
3) Lowering the grade or failing the student(s) in the course.

If the disciplinary action results in the awarding of a grade of E in the course, the student(s) may not drop the course.

Faculty reserve the right to invalidate any exercise or other evaluative measures if substantial evidence exists that the integrity of the exercise has been compromised. Faculty also reserve the right to document in the course syllabi further academic honesty policy elements related to the individual disciplines.

A student may appeal the decision of the faculty member with the department chair in writing within five working days. Note: If, at any point in this process, the student alleges that actions have taken place that may be in violation of the Murray State University Non-Discrimination Statement, this process must be suspended and the matter be directed to the Office of Equal Opportunity. Any appeal will be forwarded to the appropriate university committee as determined by the Provost.
XI. NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY STATEMENT:
Murray State University endorses the intent of all federal and state laws created to prohibit
discrimination. Murray State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin,
gender, sexual orientation, religion, age, veteran status, or disability in employment, admissions, or the
provision of services and provides, upon request, reasonable accommodation including auxiliary aids
and services necessary to afford individuals with disabilities equal access to participate in all programs
and activities. For more information, contact the Director of Equal Opportunity, 103 Wells Hall, (270)
809-3155 (voice), (270) 809-3361 (TDD).