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## **EDUC 862 Course Syllabus**

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**Course Number:** EDUC 862

**Course Title:** Power, Politics and Policy: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives

**School/Division:** School of Education and Behavioral Sciences

**Term:** Winter 2026 / January 12 – March 23

**Credits:** 3

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### **University Course Catalog Description**

Explores contemporary issues of power and policy in leadership, and their historical and political origins. This course will focus on contemporary challenges facing Indigenous communities and develop action plans that address those challenges by placing indigenous peoples at the center of the process. Students will design plans that support diversity, social justice, and cultural awareness and address issues that are of concern to them and their communities.

### **Mission Statement for Doctorate of Education in Organizational Leadership for Adaptation and Change**

The program's mission is based on Marianist values and focused on developing strong leaders who use their knowledge and skills to value diversity, promote social justice, and help organizations adapt and change. Drawing on the Marianist Educational Values of formation in faith; quality education; family spirit; service, justice and peace; and adaptation and change, the program builds on a program of leadership that promotes continuous self-reflection and personal growth.

### **Marianist Values**

1. Educate for formation in faith
2. Provide an integral quality education
3. Educate in family spirit
4. Educate for service, justice and peace
5. Educate for adaptation and change

### **Program Learning Outcomes (PLO)**

1. Apply advanced knowledge and competencies of research and evaluation methods utilized by organizations.
2. Utilize advanced knowledge and competencies of leadership and innovation which are grounded in social justice, ethical practices, and cultural awareness.
3. Use advanced knowledge and competencies related to how organizations and the people within them develop.
4. Integrate advanced knowledge and competencies of scholarly behaviors for designing, implementing, evaluating, and communicating research relevant to effective organizations.

### **Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)**

1. Identify factors contributing to and examples of organizational politics and influence. (PLO 2, 3)
2. Examine historical and contemporary definitions of the term 'indigenous,' and implications for power, politics, and policy. (PLO 2, 3)
3. Analyze case studies of contemporary issues faced by indigenous communities. (PLO 2, 3)
4. Apply principles of culturally responsive leadership for social justice and equity to challenges faced by indigenous communities. (PLO 2, 3)
5. Create a personal leadership action plan that addresses challenges faced by indigenous communities. (PLO 1, 2, 3)

## Learning Materials

- Text: Crucial Influence, Third Edition: Leadership Skills to Create Lasting Behavior Change. Grenny, J., Patterson, K., Maxfield, D., McMillan, R., & Switzler, A. (2023)
- Other readings and learning materials will be provided by the instructor.

## Assessment

ASSIGNMENT	POINTS	DEADLINE
Discussion: Getting to know each other through our leadership commitments	8	Monday, January 19
Discussion: Response to a peer: similarities/differences/new learning	4	Monday, January 26
Discussion: Respond to the peer response	4	Monday, February 2
Paper: Reflection on influence & leadership	16	Monday, February 9
Discussion: Response to Indigenous Leadership Readings	8	Monday, February 16
Discussion: Response to a peer: similarities/differences/new learning	4	Monday, February 23
Discussion: Respond to the peer response	4	Monday, March 2
Paper: Reflect on Indigenous Governance Toolkit	16	Monday, March 9
Final Project: Leadership Action Plan	36	Saturday, March 23

May be subject to change based on the dynamics of current events. Late assignments submitted one-day late will receive a 10% deduction and two-days late with a 25% deduction. Unexcused late assignments will not be accepted after. If there is an emergency, make sure to contact me before the due date of an assignment. No work will be accepted after the last day of the course.

## Grading scale

100-90%	A
89-80%	B
79-70%	C
69-0%	F

## Online Course Guidelines

- Students should communicate with each other using common courtesy, politeness, and appropriate behaviors. Inappropriate behavior, including, but not limited to the following, are unacceptable: bullying in any form, harassment in any form, making demeaning and/or derogatory comments, other aggressive behaviors in-person or virtually and/or other forms of communication.
- Discussion Participation: You will be evaluated on the quality of your contributions and insights. Quality comments possess one or more of the following properties: Offers a response that is relevant and contributes to moving the discussion forward, transcends simply stating "I agree," and demonstrates in-depth thinking.

## Writing Standards

All work submitted by Chaminade University students must meet the following writing standards. Written assignments should:

- Use correctly the grammar, spelling, punctuation, and sentence structure of Standard Written English.
- Develop ideas, themes, and main points coherently and concisely.
- Adopt modes and styles appropriate to their purpose and audience.
- Be clear, complete, and effective.

- Carefully analyze and synthesize material and ideas borrowed from sources. In addition, the sources of the borrowed material should be correctly acknowledged to avoid plagiarism (see Plagiarism).

### **Academic Honesty**

Violations of the Honor Code are serious. They harm other students, your professor, and the integrity of the University. Alleged violations will be referred to the Office of Judicial Affairs. If found guilty of plagiarism, a student might receive a range of penalties, including failure of an assignment, failure of an assignment and withholding of the final course grade until a paper is turned in on the topic of plagiarism, failure of the course, or suspension from the University.

While AI technologies can be useful tools for research and learning, the Academic Honesty policies apply when using these technologies. The use of AI is not permitted to compose essays or produce content for assignments and exams. Students should give proper credit to sources when using information obtained through AI tools or other sources. It is essential that we uphold academic integrity while fostering a culture of creativity and critical thinking.

Violations of Academic Integrity: Violations of the principle include, but are not limited to:

- Cheating: Intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, notes, study aids, or other devices in any academic exercise.
- Fabrication and Falsification: Intentional and unauthorized alteration or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise. Falsification is a matter of inventing or counterfeiting information for use in any academic exercise.
- Multiple Submissions: The submission of substantial portions of the same academic work for credit (including oral reports) more than once without authorization.
- Plagiarism: Intentionally or knowingly presenting the work of another as one's own (i.e., without proper acknowledgment of the source).
- Abuse of Academic Materials: Intentionally or knowingly destroying, stealing, or making inaccessible library or other academic resource materials.
- Complicity in Academic Dishonesty: Intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another to commit an act of academic dishonesty.

Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to:

- Copying or borrowing liberally from someone else's work without his/her knowledge or permission; or with his/her knowledge or permission and turning it in as your own work.
- Copying of someone else's exam or paper.
- Allowing someone to turn in your work as his or her own.
- Not providing adequate references for cited work.
- Copying and pasting large quotes or passages without properly citing them.

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### **Title IX Compliance and Nondiscrimination Policy**

Chaminade University of Honolulu is committed to providing a learning, working and living environment that promotes the dignity of all people, inclusivity and mutual respect and is free of all forms of sex discrimination and gender-based violence, including sexual assault, sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. As a member of the University faculty, I am required to immediately report any incident of sex discrimination or gender-based violence to the campus Title IX Coordinator.

Chaminade University of Honolulu does not discriminate on the basis of sex and prohibits sex discrimination in any education program or activity that it operates, as required by Title IX and its

regulations, including in admission and employment. Inquiries about Title IX may be referred to the University's Title IX Coordinator, the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights, or both and contact information may be found at the [Chaminade University Title IX Office Contact Information and Confidential Resources website](#).

The University's Nondiscrimination Policy and Grievance Procedures can be located on the University webpage at: <https://chaminade.edu/compliance/title-ix-nondiscrimination-policies-procedures/>

To report information about conduct that may constitute sex discrimination or make a complaint of sex discrimination under Title IX, please refer to the [Campus Incident Report form](#). Chaminade University of Honolulu prohibits sex discrimination in any education program or activity that it operates. The NOTICE of NONDISCRIMINATION can be found here: [Notice of Nondiscrimination](#).

### **Disability Access**

Chaminade University of Honolulu offers accommodations for all actively enrolled students with disabilities in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and the ADA Amendments Act (2008).

Students are responsible for contacting Kokua Ike: Center for Student Learning to schedule an appointment. Verification of their disability will be requested through appropriate documentation and once received it will take up to approximately 2–3 weeks to review them. Appropriate paperwork will be completed by the student before notification will be sent out to their instructors. Accommodation paperwork will not be automatically sent out to instructors each semester, as the student is responsible to notify Kokua Ike via email at [ada@chaminade.edu](mailto:ada@chaminade.edu) each semester if changes or notifications are needed.

### **Attendance Policy**

Students are expected to actively engage and participate in their registered courses. In case of illness or other extenuating circumstances preventing attendance, students should notify their instructors and arrange to complete any missed assignments. Failure to meet attendance requirements may lead to a grade reduction, withdrawal from the course, or course failure. Instructors will specify and enforce expectations for online participation and submission of assignments according to the course design.

Excused absences are granted only in exceptional circumstances, supported by evidence provided by the student to the instructor. Students should notify their instructors when a situation prevents class participation and make arrangements to complete missed assignments. Notifying the instructor about an absence is courteous, but does not guarantee the absence will be excused.

Unexcused non-participation in a course, equivalent to more than one week of the term, may result in a grade reduction.