Syllabus
SPD 120 Discerning Your Purpose

Course Overview

Course Instructor

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Course Description

The spiritual path diverges in many ways. Discerning which path to take is both a reflective and an action-packed process. In this course, we take a look at our strengths and abilities, as well as, our desires and passions to help to determine what actions to take or better yet, to discover the questions. Getting to a full-bodied ‘yes’ may be a desired outcome for some, while for others may find forming the questions for clarity more beneficial. Being on the path of your purpose is enlivening and fulfilling, and it also comes with real-life challenges. How do we navigate this terrain? Discerning Your Purpose provides a process for challenging your thoughts and desires along with accountability steps to manifest that achievement. Students will explore their skills, abilities and spiritual gifts while discovering the ‘next steps’ for progressing to the desired outcome.

Course Learning Objectives

By the end of the course, learners will be able to:

• Articulate and refine a clear vision/purpose statement with steps of accountability and goals along the way
• Develop a time line of goals; identify and celebrate when at each stage
• Define personal skills, abilities and passions; understand the difference and determine the next steps to support their purpose
Required Text/Readings

Recommended Readings/Handouts
  • As assigned

Live Collaborate Class Sessions
*All times Central Time (CT) Zone*

**January 2022**
1. Wednesday, January 19 – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. CT
2. Wednesday, January 26 – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. CT

**February 2022**
3. Wednesday, February 2 – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. CT
4. Wednesday, February 9 – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. CT
5. Wednesday, February 16 – *No live Collaborate Session. This will be a great time to connect with your assigned partners for the final assignment.*
6. Wednesday, February 23 – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. CT

**March 2022**
7. Wednesday, March 2 – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. CT