



POLDS02 – CULTIVATING SELF LEADERSHIP

FINAL EXAM 2019

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Instructions

1. Answer **Question 1** and **ANY TWO** other questions.
2. You are **NOT** to refer to any texts, notes, or any other material.
3. You have **three hours** to complete the exam.

Question 1 (Compulsory)

“The cultivation of leaders with exceptional character and skills is critical to Africa’s development. Africa’s development partners should recognize that it is too late to teach someone who occupies a high position in government how to lead during side talks at global events. They should also bear in mind that there has to be alignment between the sense of identity of the leader and that of the followers for leadership to work.”

(Sam Adeyemi, May 2017. *World Economic Forum on Africa*)

Using the lessons and principles of **Self-Leadership** learnt in this course through assigned texts, Journal articles and class discussions, provide a scholarly discussion in 1000 - 1200 words.

10 marks

Question 2

As the head of your institution, you discover that the Chairperson of your Board is talking evil behind your back. Furthermore, the person is giving instructions to senior staff on matters that are clearly in your domain.

What principles of Self-Leadership would you say are at play here and how would you handle this situation?

Give a *scholarly* response in 700-900 words

5 marks

Question 3

A worker who is under your supervision comes into your office, angry and shouting with a complaint of being denied bonus because of poor performance, despite being allocated more difficult tasks than the other staff.

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What Self-leadership factors do you think are at play here? How should you address this situation? Discuss in 700-900 words.

5 marks

Question 4

"Religion is the opium of the people" is one of the most frequently paraphrased statements of German philosopher and economist Karl Marx. Some indeed argue that religion and faith have been used by some leaders to escape reality and to shun personal effort and responsibility.

Using the various theories and principles of Self-Leadership, discuss the above statement in 700-900 words

5 marks

Question 5

See a confused and disorganized leader and you are looking at a problem in personal mastery.

From a Self-Leadership perspective, give a scholarly response in 700-900 words.

5 marks