MSUCOM OSTEOPATHIC LEADERSHIP ELECTIVE
LEADERSHIP ACADEMY FOR COMPASSIONATE CARE ACADEMY APPLICATION
2014-2015

Due Monday, October 20, 2014, 5:00 p.m. EST (TBD)

PLEASE TYPE ALL ANSWERS (Or Fill Out legibly)

Name: _______________________________________________________________________________

Nickname:_________________________ Birth date: __________________________________________

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Class Year _______________ Site: DMC MUC EL

Description and purpose of the Leadership Academy for Compassionate Care:

The academy is an MSUCOM four-year medical educational program that works with selected academically qualified students in good academic standing who are interested in exploring creative approaches to pursuing compassionate care in medicine. The program emphasizes self-care as a cornerstone of progressive leadership and utilizes a personal mentoring process which is woven into all aspects of training. Sessions encompass learning through formal presentations such as self care, stress management, nutrition, the economics of compassion, systems theory, group dynamics, psychology, communications, and conflict management. Interactive sessions are used to foster creative conversations with leading experts in the creative arts, professional educators, practitioners in private practice as well as in hospital care, specialists in end-of-life work, and spiritual directors. Understanding issues of diversity and inclusivity are foci of the program as are identifying one’s effectiveness in group and organizational process. Elective credit is for first- and second-year students and is given for each semester of participation in the program.

Students who accept an offer to participate in the academy must also agree to attend all training sessions and participate in all projects. This includes attendance in up to 4 required sessions. A calendar is appended with tentative dates.

Please complete this form as a Word or PDF Document and email it to Theresa@SoYouveSurvivedCancer.com no later than Monday, October 20, 2014, 5 pm EST. TBD You may add additional pages to complete your answers as necessary.

If you have questions about the elective please contact one of the instructors:

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Short Answer Questions (200-250 words):

1. Leadership styles may vary by organizational needs as well as personal attributes. Cite a leader with whom you would seek advice and list his or her qualities that display leadership.

2. The ability to work closely with others is a key characteristic of leaders. In what ways have you mentored or worked closely with others?

3. Leadership requires the ability to constantly be aware of and to assess one’s own actions. In what ways and with whom do you self-reflect? How is self-reflection important to you?

4. What skills do you believe that you need to acquire to become an effective leader in compassionate care?

Essay Challenge Questions: Please chose **ONE** of the following questions and write a short personal essay (500-750 words) on the topic.

1. The use of art and the humanities are being taught as cutting edge tools in many leadership programs. How does the use of art influence the way you view medicine and leadership?

2. Personal beliefs and one’s outlook on the world influence the practice of medicine in many ways. How do your personal beliefs and outlook on the world influence the way you view compassion and leadership?

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