

**Women and Leadership WI (Com 494) 3 Credits
University of Hawai'i, Hilo**

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Course Description:

This course focuses on the relationship between women and leadership. It examines opportunities and obstacles that have challenged and continue to challenge female leaders. There is a special emphasis on communication strategies.

Texts:

Beyond the Double Bind: Women and Leadership by Kathleen Hall Jamieson, Dean of the Annenberg School of Communication, University of Pennsylvania. Oxford University Press, 1995.

Vein of Gold by Julie Cameron. New York: Putnam Books, 1996.

Objectives:

- 1) Students will be able to discuss opportunities and obstacles that have challenged and continue to challenge female leaders.
- 2) Students will be able to describe communication strategies used by women leaders.
- 3) Students will gain experience facilitating group discussions.
- 4) Students will use communication as a tool for enhancing their leadership ability.

Grades:

Attendance/Participation.....	10
Journal.....	20
Research Paper/Presentation.....	20
Facilitation.....	20
Interview.....	20
Project.....	10

Additional Information:

It is my intention to do everything I can to make this course a success. For me, this means setting high standards (you learn as much as or more than you thought you would or could) and that we have some fun (enjoy the experience as much as possible). If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please do not hesitate to discuss them with me.

Special Needs:

If you have a documented learning disability and would like to request accommodation please contact the University Disability Services at 933-0816 (V), 933-3334 (TTY), Campus Center Room 311, as early in the semester as possible. If there is anything else I can do to help you succeed in this course, please come and talk with me.