



## IFI Leadership Seminar Pilot Project

### An Overview

#### **Overview:**

IFI is starting a new ministry to draw in those unreached by the current IFI programs. This new initiative is a four part leadership seminar that pairs international students with Christian marketplace leaders. The leadership seminar is made up of four sessions that will take place over a two month period. Each 2 hour session will begin with a professional presentation of leadership material and continue as business leaders at each table facilitate discussion about the topics presented. Each interactive session will engage the participants with discussion around proven principles and techniques. Business leaders (IFI volunteers) will share practical stories about how they have used these principles in their organization.

Half way through the seminar, each participant will take a personality test that will allow the content to be customized for each individual. The second half of the seminar sessions will use this personalized information to personalize the approach to leadership situations. This will allow the facilitator to get more personal with each student.

#### **Why?**

The purpose of the leadership seminar is to introduce the student to biblical leadership principles and allow a forum to discuss the issue of character. It is our hope that this conversation will continue with the facilitator after the four sessions are completed.

#### **How can you help?**

We are looking for 10 Christian marketplace leaders to step forward to facilitate the four 2-hour discussions. Are you able to help with this? Do you know someone who can do this? We need people willing to go through a short training and to share how they use the principles presented in their work.

#### **What is the time commitment?**

The time commitment is six afternoons plus three informal gatherings with a group of students. The six afternoons (2 training and 4 for the actual course) will take place on Saturdays. The three informal gatherings can take place anywhere convenient to the students and facilitator (like a restaurant or meeting room). We hope to start the leadership seminar in late summer 2016.

#### **What to expect?**

No special skills are needed except the ability to lead a discussion and share how these principles have worked in your life. The goal is to open a dialogue about character and let God lead the discussion. We will not preach at the students or invite them to come to a bible study unless the student shows clear interest.

Contact Leila at [l.garder@ifipartners.org](mailto:l.garder@ifipartners.org) if you are interested in helping.