

## Small Group Leader Training Syllabus

### **Purpose:**

- To equip the saints for the work of the ministry (Ephesians 4:11-16)
- To equip faithful people who will be able to teach others (2 Timothy 2:2)
- To be obedient in first testing future leaders before giving them authority (1 Timothy 3:10)
- To be obedient to the call of making disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:18-20)
- To spend time with the disciples like Jesus did (Jesus' method, The Gospels)
- To develop leaders in their Ministry skills, Leadership skills, and Devotion to God.

### **Books Needed:**

- Small Group Leader University (SGU) – Brad Lewis (\$13) buy from UND Chi Alpha
- Real Devotion (RD) - Alex Rodriguez (\$15) buy from UND Chi Alpha
- Read the New Testament in its entirety before next semester

**PART 1:** Apply for training (by 2/4).

**PART 2:** Training (Only attend one 2 hour class period per week) (Wed, Thurs, Sun.)

- 1) 2/7, 2/8, 2/11                      2) 2/14, 2/15, 2/18                      3) 2/21, 2/22, 2/25                      4) 3/13, 3/14, 3/17
- 5) 3/20, 3/21, 3/24                      6) 4/3, 4/4, 4/7    7) 4/10, 4/11, 4/14

**Class Structure:** Icebreaker, Discussion/Questions on Assignments, Application

**Time:** 2hrs each class                      **Class Size:** max 12 + instructor

**PART 4:** Exit Interview

- 1) Take the open book test.                      2) Schedule and have an exit interview with a campus pastor.
- 3) Attend "The Send" (May 5<sup>th</sup>) if you are approved to lead for the fall semester.

### **Class Expectations:**

- Reading assignments will be finished before class.
- Arrive to class early enough so we can start on time. (Early is on time and on time is late)

### **Homework:**

- Chi Alphas Family Tree
- Written out Testimony
- Listen to Alex Rodriguez's CMC 2018 "Find, Feed, Fight" sermon (time: one hour)
- Listen to Small Group Leader Podcasts all of 6 wins of a small group leader.
- Lead a Bible Study put together by you

One-on-one with a New Friend (someone not in Chi Alpha or a Christian Ministry)  
 Host a small group hangout

	<b>Binder Reading</b>	<b>Media</b>	<b>Book Reading</b>	<b>IN-CLASS READING</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENT</b>	<b>RESOURCE</b>
<b>1: 2/7, 2/8, 2/11</b>	<i>Evangelism:</i> Compelled by Love Evangelism is War Make the Gospel Clear	Sermon on Youtube: "Find, Feed, Fight" Alex Rodriguez	Real Devotion: CH. 1-3	What is a disciple? - Multiply	Chi Alpha Family Tree	YouVersion Bible App
<b>2: 2/14, 2/15, 2/18</b>	<i>Evangelism:</i> Deciding to Follow Jesus Moving the Conversation toward Spiritual Matters Be Intentional Answering Sincere Questions	Win #1 Daily Devotion to Jesus	Real Devotion: CH. 4-5	Why Freshman?  Super Evangelist versus Faithful Disciple Maker	<b><u>Chi Alpha Family Tree DUE</u></b>  Host SG Hangout	Tools for Mentoring Website
<b>3: 2/21, 2/22, 2/25</b>	<i>Water Baptism</i> <i>The Bible:</i> Interacting with the Bible General Guidelines for Interpreting Scripture	Win #2 Every Conversation leads to Jesus	Real Devotion: CH. 6-8	TFM -Building a Bible Study  TFM - Leading a Bible Discussion		Bible Project
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<b>4: 3/13, 3/14, 3/17</b>	<i>Talking Christianly:</i> The Ministry of Conversation Good Questions Some Instructions for Talking Christianly	Win #3 Be with your small group outside of small group.	Real Devotion: CH. 9-10	Chi Alpha Structure  5 Fold Approach  Chi Alpha Beliefs	Lead a Bible Study  <b><u>Host SG Hangout DUE</u></b>	
<b>5: 3/20, 3/21, 3/24</b>	<i>Talking Christianly:</i> Practical Ways to Encourage People How You Think is How You'll Speak	Win #4 Honor people to other people.	SGU: Forward- CH.5	TFM: Go, Meet International Students	Coffee w/New Friend  Written Out Testimony	Verses App
	NO CLASS	NO CLASS	NO CLASS	NO CLASS	Write down any questions you have regarding XA	No Class
<b>6: 4/3, 4/4, 4/7</b>	<i>Talking Christianly:</i> What to do with Negative Info Giving Feedback/Correctio n Resolving Conflict	Win #5 Delegate responsibility to create maturity.	SGU: CH. 6-11	TFM - Spiritual Inventory	<b><u>Written Out Testimony DUE</u></b>	Campus Ministry Leadership Podcast
<b>7: 4/10, 4/11, 4/14</b>	Time Management	Win #6 The Grit to keep going.  UND XA Podcast: Time Management Episode	SGU: CH. 12-17	The Value of Serving in XA vs. church while in college.  SGL Schedule	<b><u>Lead a Bible Study DUE &amp; Coffee w/New Friend DUE</u></b>	FINISH TFM & use it with others.
	Take Open Book Online Test	Exit Interview				

### HOMEWORK CHECKLIST:

\*reading/assignments are to be completed *before class* each week

#### Week 1:

- Read & answer questions for Binder Reading: Evangelism Sections

- Compelled by Love
- Evangelism is War
- Make the Gospel Clear
- Watch Alex Rodriguez's "Find, Feed, Fight" sermon
- Read & answer questions for Real Devotion
  - Chapter 1
  - Chapter 2
  - Chapter 3

**Week 2:**

- Read & answer questions for Binder Reading: Evangelism Sections
  - Deciding to Follow Jesus
  - Moving the Conversation toward Spiritual Matters
  - Be Intentional
  - Answering Sincere Questions
- Read & answer questions for Real Devotion
  - Chapter 4
  - Chapter 5
- Listen & answer questions for Win #1 "Daily Devotion to Jesus"
- Chi Alpha Family Tree Assignment

**Week 3:**

- Read & answer questions for Binder Reading: Water Baptism & the Bible Sections
  - Water Baptism
  - Interacting with the Bible
  - General Guidelines for Interpreting Scripture
- Read & answer questions for Real Devotion
  - Chapter 6
  - Chapter 7
  - Chapter 8
- Listen & answer questions for Win #2 "Every Conversation Leads to Jesus"
- Host Small Group Hangout Assignment

**Week 4:**

- Read & answer questions for Binder Reading: Talking Christianly Sections

- The Ministry of Conversation
- Good Questions
- Some Instructions for Talking Christianly
- Read & answer questions for Real Devotion
  - Chapter 9
  - Chapter 10
- Listen & answer questions for Win #3 “Be with your small group outside of small group”
- Lead a Bible Study Assignment

**Week 5:**

- Read & answer questions for Binder Reading: Talking Christianly Sections
  - Practical Ways to Encourage People
  - How You Think is How You’ll Speak
- Read & answer questions for Small Group University
  - Forward
  - Chapter 1
  - Chapter 2
  - Chapter 3
  - Chapter 4
  - Chapter 5
- Listen & answer questions for Win #4 “Honor people to other people”
- Coffee with a New Friend Assignment
- Written Out Testimony Assignment
- Write down any questions about XA

**Week 6:**

- Read & answer questions for Binder Reading: Talking Christianly Sections
  - What to do with Negative Info
  - Giving Feedback/Correction
  - Resolving Conflict
- Read & answer questions for Small Group University
  - Chapter 6
  - Chapter 7
  - Chapter 8
  - Chapter 9
  - Chapter 10

- Chapter 11
- Listen & answer questions for Win #5 “Delegate Responsibility to Create Maturity”

**Week 7:**

- Read & answer questions for Binder Reading: Time Management
- Read & answer questions for Small Group University
  - Chapter 12
  - Chapter 13
  - Chapter 14
  - Chapter 15
  - Chapter 16
  - Chapter 17
- Listen & answer questions for Win #6 “The Grit to Keep Going”
- Listen to the UND Chi Alpha Podcast Episode on “Time Management”

**FINAL TASKS:**

- Take the open-book exam
- Complete exit interview with XA staff member