**Robe Leadership (ET 4950) Fall 2019 Application Instructions**

Russ College Juniors, non-graduating Seniors, or future graduate students,

Are you interested in improving your leadership skills through interactive experiences with outstanding alumni and other students? Then I urge you to apply for the Robe Leadership Institute’s Fall 2019 Leadership Development class (ET 4950). Even though this is a class, you cannot just simply register for it – you have to apply.

The RLI program is for graduating seniors\*\* of 2019-2020 or graduate students interested in developing their leadership potential. The Fall 2019 seminar (ET 4950/5950) will let you engage with executives, entrepreneurs, and other leaders to develop your potential. In addition to participating in the seminar, if selected, you will be given leadership development material, a stipend to cover the cost of your books, and several meals (paid by the Institute) with guest speakers (alumni who are successful leaders) throughout the Fall semester and allowed to participate in several Spring activities (such as this year’s executive immersion trip to San Diego).

Please consider applying for one of the select scholar positions in the Russ College’s Robe Leadership Institute. If you are interested in learning more about the class, you may request the RLI class booklet from 2018 by emailing Dr. David Bayless (bayless@ohio.edu) In addition to reviewing last year’s class booklet, it is highly recommended that you talk with one of the current RLI scholars in the Russ College. If you do not know any from your department, please ask Dr. Bayless to put you in contact with one.

If you are interested in applying, you will need to send (as an email attachment to bayless@ohio.edu) the following before Friday March 22nd 2019

1. Your most recent resume
2. A statement of your leadership experience (your leadership roles in the past) and the leadership roles you will be undertaking next Fall
3. A clear statement of why you want to improve your leadership skills through this class
4. Your Fall schedule shopping cart to ensure ET 4950 (T/Th 4:35-6:35) will work for your schedule
5. Your projected graduation date

This class is unique within the Russ College of Engineering. In fact, it is much more than a class. It is an experience that will last throughout your life. Your classmates will be your team throughout the semester, helping each other learn more about your leadership potential and what it means to be a leader. It requires significant commitment – making ALL the classes, reading critical leadership materials, and asking the guest speakers probing questions about their leadership styles, successes and failures. If you are prepared to do that, the seminar will be a great experience for all.

If you know of a fellow student who will be graduating next year and would be a good candidate for this seminar, please forward this e-mail to them.

Once I have reviewed the applications, I will contact those selected for interview.

Thank you and good luck.

***\*\* You do not have to be a graduating senior, but prior leadership experience is very desirable. Some majors (such as ETM) now have conflicting required courses during the senior year, so non-seniors are invited and encouraged to apply when senior year conflicts exist.***