

## **DISCOVERY UNIVERSITY: STUDENT CONTRACT**

### **Guidelines:**

Discovery University (DU) strives to provide and foster a safe, positive, learner-centred and collaborative environment. With this in mind, the following list outlines what is expected of each student accepted into the DU program:

1. To read the assigned reading(s) before each class;
2. To attend the weekly class and discussion group regularly; report absences by contacting coordinator;
3. To check in with the coordinator for cancellations during poor weather conditions;
4. To be courteous of class and discussion group times, this means being on time and only leaving once dismissed for both class and discussion group;
5. To be free of alcohol and street drugs when attending; and
6. To participate in discussions, as follows:
  - a. treat each other with respect and compassion;
  - b. listen to each other
  - c. be reasonable in how long you talk, so that everyone will get an opportunity;
  - d. refrain from critical “put-downs” of others, and hateful or prejudiced speech;
  - e. accept that there will be many different points of view; and
  - f. do your part to encourage supportive and polite attitudes in the class.

### **Dismissal from DU:**

1. Students must attend 85% of classes and discussion groups combined to receive the certificate of completion at graduation. Attending less than 85% of DU courses can result in being asked to withdraw from the program. Having to miss more than the allotted amount should be discussed with the Program Coordinator prior to absence.
2. Please note that actions not respecting DU guidelines will be taken seriously and addressed in the following manner. Should a student disregard DU guidelines, the student will be:
  - a. given a verbal warning in the first instance;
  - b. issued a written warning in the second instance; and
  - c. dismissed from the program in the third instance.
3. In all cases, students will have an opportunity to discuss their situation with the program coordinator.

### **Student Contract:**

**I acknowledge that, if accepted into Discovery University (DU), I will abide by the abovementioned student guidelines. If I do not abide by these guidelines, I may be asked to withdraw from the program.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_