



Bridges Leadership Team Covenant

Thank you for prayerfully considering serving on the **Leadership Team** with Bridges International at “**Insert School Here**”!

Our heart is to develop and empower our students to walk with God and share their faith with others, so that our vision of seeing “**Campus Vision Here**” will be fulfilled. Before you accept a role on the Leadership Team, it is important to understand the purposes and values of the team, as well as the commitment and expectations involved.

The Leadership Team is a core group of aligned students committed to follow Jesus and help others to know and follow Christ by spiritually leading in varying capacities on campus.

Core Beliefs

Because of the foundational importance of our beliefs, every student leader must affirm our core beliefs:

- *The sole basis of our beliefs is the Bible, God’s infallible written Word, the 66 books of the Old and New Testaments.*
- *We believe that it was uniquely, verbally and fully inspired by the Holy Spirit, and that it was written without error (inerrant) in the original manuscripts. It is the supreme and final authority in all matters on which it speaks. And we believe in the Apostles’ Creed:*
- *‘I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*
- *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.*
- *I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.’*

Commitment and Expectations

The thing we value most is your relationship with Christ. The Bridges staff team commits to coming alongside you in your walk with God and developing you to become a spiritual leader. As individuals and as a team, we commit to:

Walk by faith

- Love God
- Walk in the Spirit (Ephesians 5:18)
- Seek God in His Word (Psalm 119:105, 2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- Pray consistently (1Tim 2:1-4)
- Obey Christ as we live in purity (Titus 1:6-9, 1 Tim 3:2-4)
- Participate faithfully in a local church

Communicate our faith

- Initiate spiritual conversations with and befriend new students
- Go on follow up appointments with staff, and then lead in following up contacts

- Learn and model how to co-journey with others toward Christ in their cultural context
- Learn how to share the gospel and be familiar with evangelism tools
- Take the initiative to share the gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit
- Share your story with individuals, small groups, and meetings

Multiply our faith

- Invest in the lives of seeker students
- Plan and lead outreaches
- Be trained and willing to lead a Discovery Bible Group
- Prioritize conferences & summer missions and recruit others to join (Rom. 10:13-15)
- Have vision for campus and prayerfully seek God to reach it
- Lead a discipleship group with younger believers or mentor other Christian students

Character and Life in Community

- Be faithful to the Lord and to commitments you make to serve Him
- Trust God with your time by being available to what He asks of you
- Have a posture of teachability, always being a learner and in humility to receive feedback from others, especially those in authority over you
- Demonstrate a willingness to be vulnerable and honest and keep one another accountable
- Have a servant heart and leadership like Christ (Phil 2)
- Appreciate the gifts that God has given to others
- Be willing to initiate and deal with conflict in a Christ-like manner when it arises

A *sample* weekly time expectation for a student on a leadership team:

Attend Leadership Team Meeting or Bridges Gathering	(2hr)
Participate in a discipleship group	(1hr)
Lead a small group, do evangelism, or follow up a new student	(1hr)
Total weekly	(4hr)

Before God and my brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ, acknowledging that nobody is perfect, nonetheless, I understand these qualifications and invite team members to hold me accountable to them as a leader in Bridges International.

Signed

Date