

# WHAT IS LEADS?

WP LEADS is a set of digital badges that students can earn through their participation in extra-curricular experiences such as attending workshops and speakers, participating in community service, civic engagement and social justice activities, being involved in student organizations and campus leadership positions, attending events, participating in Virtual Orientation, etc. Each digital badge has a specific set of requirements that can be tracked on a student's Engagement Portfolio in Pioneer Life. Students who complete at least three digital badges can be inducted into the WP LEADS Honor Society.



## WP LEADS Honor Society Induction

An exclusive honor that recognizes students who have achieved at least three WP LEADS Digital Badges during their career at William Paterson University. To be eligible, students must be enrolled at the time of application, have a 2.5 minimum GPA, and be in good disciplinary standing at the time of induction. Eligible students will be invited to participate in an induction ceremony in April and will receive a certificate and a special honor cord of distinction to wear at Commencement. Applications are available in the CASL Office or at [CampusActivities@wpunj.edu](mailto:CampusActivities@wpunj.edu). Please review the application for the submission deadline and additional information.

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DIGITAL BADGES & HONOR SOCIETY



## DIGITAL BADGES

### Administrated by Campus Activities, Leadership, & Service

- Leaders in Action
- Greek S.T.A.R.S
- Pioneer Leadership Institute
- Civic Engagment
- Well-Being

### Administrated by Career Development

- Career and Professional Success

### Administrated by Center for Diversity & Inclusion

- Social Justice Leadership

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## LEADERS IN ACTION

The Leaders in Action digital badge is an advanced leadership development badge based on being an active student positional leader at WP. Positional leaders include students who are serving on the executive board of a student organization, serving in a leadership role such as Resident Assistant, Peer Mentor, Orientation Leader, etc. Participation in the Leaders in Action digital badge will assist student leaders with advanced training to better manage their organizations and enhance their work with peers. Leaders in Action has 4 competencies: Management and Foundational, Recruitment and Retention, Communication, and Engagement. Administered by Campus Activities, Service and Leadership.



## CAREER AND PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS

The Career and Professional Success Badge will prepare students to conduct a productive job search. Through participation in workshops and individual experiences, students will learn and hone the skills necessary to successfully navigate the job search process. After completing the program, students will be able to identify employment opportunities, submit effective application materials and present themselves well in an interview process. Administered by Career Development Center.



## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

The Civic Engagement badge is designed to assist students with meeting and tracking their progress in achieving the university's civic engagement participation expectations of completing two low and two high level activities before graduation. WP LEADS supports the university's Civic Engagement initiative to encourage every student to become more civically minded and engaged through participation in their UCC5 course and in several low and high level civic engagement extra-curricular experiences.



## SOCIAL JUSTICE LEADERSHIP

The Social Justice Leadership Badge is for students who want to be an agent of change. The program will give students of all identities the opportunity to understand systems of oppression, privilege, identity development, and strategies to create a more fair and just world. Students can select from two tracks: Identity and / or Environmental Justice in which they can participate in "Choose Your Own Adventure Approved Workshops" for either track. This badge is administered by the Center for Diversity and Inclusion (CDI).



## GREEK S.T.A.R. LEADERSHIP

The Greek S.T.A.R. (Striving Towards Amazing Results) Leaders Program is designed to help members of the Greek community who currently hold leadership positions or who aspire to hold a position, gain skills needed to make an impact in their respective organizations. Through their participation in the program, they will be able to network with their peers while participating in a variety of educational sessions. The program meets a specific need within the fraternity and sorority community, and seeks to supplement the holistic growth and development that WP hopes to provide each student. Administered by Campus Activities, Service and Leadership.



## PIONEER LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Pioneer Leadership Institute (PLI) is an emerging leadership program for all new first year students. Founded in the social change model of leadership, first year students will explore defining leadership, reflecting on their leadership style and discover ways to enhance their leadership skills through their involvement in athletics, clubs, organizations, the classroom, their jobs and civic engagement. Requirements to complete the PLI program include attending 3 (1 hour) leadership development workshops and participating in one community service project or initiative during their first year at William Paterson University. All students who complete the PLI requirements will be invited to a recognition ceremony and receive a certificate. Administered by the Office of Campus Activities, Service and Leadership.



## WELL-BEING

This badge introduces the concept of well-being, which means a state of mind and body that is healthy, productive, and satisfying. Such practice counteracts the negative impact of the stresses and strains of everyday life, provides a protective shield from them, and helps us cope better. In order to complete this badge, students are asked to complete the foundational course and choose one activity from each of the four category areas. In doing so, students are provided with an opportunity to engage in some activities they may already be comfortable with and challenge themselves to try something new. Within each category, students will have an opportunity to choose from among a range of well-being activities, like exercise classes, developing enhanced relationship and conversation skills, or learning and practicing specific stress management techniques, like relaxation or meditation. Please note: students who received the well-being curriculum in Will Power 101, have already received credit for completion of the foundational course.