



The UC Davis Center for Leadership Learning

PREPARING DIVERSE, DYNAMIC LEADERS FOR A COMPLEX WORLD



Imagine a first-generation student finding a sense of community in a space that supports their growth. Or a recent graduate changing their industry with the ethical standards they developed as a student through no-cost coaching and workshops. Picture a group of interns working together to plan a conference that has a positive impact on hundreds of other undergraduates.

At the Center for Leadership Learning (CLL), undergraduate students of any major, any year and any background receive the resources, training and support to explore what inspires them to lead with purpose.

We believe that leadership is more than securing an impressive professional title or taking on a position of power. Our mission is to help every Aggie recognize the value of collaborative, inclusive leadership and to cultivate the skills they need to thrive academically, professionally and personally.

As UC Davis students prepare to graduate into an increasingly complex world, they require learning opportunities beyond the classroom—opportunities to think critically, sketch fulfilling paths for their lives and make a positive impact in their communities.

We offer personalized mentoring and life-changing leadership development through:

- CLL Internship Program
- · Certificate programs
- · Quarterly workshops
- Annual Aggies Leading the Way! conference
- · Other special events and programming

With your philanthropic support, we can sustain and expand these enriching opportunities for every student who aspires to lead.

An Invitation

As we look forward, we invite you to invest in a variety of transformational leadership development opportunities. We envision a future where every CLL intern and program participant demonstrates leadership everywhere they go, creating a healthier, sustainable world and a more just society. Together, we can ensure that every Aggie has the leadership skills necessary to reach greater heights throughout their lives and careers.

The Philanthropic Opportunities

The partnership of our generous supporters will allow us to amplify our impact across the communities we serve. We invite you to join us in fostering an ecosystem of excellence where every Aggie leader graduates ready to prosper.

Grow our ability to offer students paid, professional leadership and mentorship experiences through our competitive CLL Internship Program

GOAL: \$6,100 PER STUDENT INTERN PER ACADEMIC YEAR

Support our Aggies Leading the Way! conference, a free opportunity for students to network, attend workshops and learn from expert keynote speakers

GOAL: \$25,000 PER ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Broaden our capacity to provide all students with inspiring leadership education programs, including our quarterly Leadership Essentials Workshop Series and our two certificate programs: the Diversity Leadership Development Program and the Student Leadership Development Program

GOAL: \$10,000 PER PROGRAM PER ACADEMIC YEAR



New student leaders served (Fall 2017–Winter 2020)



Completion rate in leadership certificate programs (2019–20)



Students indicated their learning about leadership increased in workshops (Fall 2017–Winter 2020)

"The Center for Leadership Learning should be a required experience for all students attending UC Davis. It is transformational in its impact in the area of modeling excellence in leadership, cultural competence and life skills acquisition—skill sets that are even more critical in the world today.

I have witnessed students blossom into their fullest potential at this point in their lives, and build hope, professional acumen and passion for making a difference in their communities and beyond. The Center for Leadership Learning is a springboard for growth and a necessity in today's world."

Sandy HolmanDirector, The Culture C.O.-O.P., Davis, CA





CLL Internship Program

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE FOR TOMORROW'S LEADERS



Creating sustainable solutions to climate change. Innovating for the future of health care. Community organizing, teaching, defending human rights—tomorrow's UC Davis graduates will enter an increasingly interconnected and fast-paced world that demands leadership at every level.

The skills our undergraduate students develop through the Center for Leadership Learning (CLL) Internship Program—interpersonal intelligence, problem solving, strong communication and more—are not only essential to living a healthy and rewarding personal life, but become an indispensable part of every new graduate's career toolbox.

Over the course of a full academic year, and with the financial support of a competitive hourly wage, CLL interns become immersed in the world of leadership. Combining the academic rigor and excellence of our top-tier university with the Aggie values of compassion and collaboration, our internship program is a unique opportunity for students to develop their understanding of leadership while putting their knowledge into practice through intern-led workshops and peer coaching.

As content creators, coaches, educators and outreach communicators, CLL interns play vital roles within our center, taking on responsibility for the

development and implementation of programming for undergraduate students across campus. This high level of accountability—in a supportive, caring environment—provides interns with important professional experiences where they can network, strengthen connections and define their personal philosophy of leadership through helping others.

With the support of our philanthropic partners, we aim to expand the CLL Internship Program, giving students from every major the option to build their leadership skills in a professional setting.

Together, we will provide more students with a unique leadership learning experience that has a positive ripple effect in all the communities we serve.



CLL Internship Program: Professional Experience for Tomorrow's Leaders



An Invitation

Philanthropic support is critical to achieving our goals and reaching a larger number of exceptional students. Based on our current funding, we are only able to offer paid internship positions to a small group of undergraduates. Investments in our internship program not only grow our capacity to hire more interns, but also allow us to reach more students through peer-to-peer coaching and programming.

Our annual funding goal of \$6,100 per student intern will have a meaningful impact on every undergraduate who seeks support from our center.

With the partnership of those who share our commitment to enhancing undergraduate education, we will amplify the center's impact across campus and prepare even more future leaders who value collaborative, inclusive excellence.

"The skills I learned were invaluable. Learning how to work and cooperate with people, other than just leading with how I want things done, taught me how to understand other people's perspectives to work toward a common goal."

- Brandon Vernoy, CLL intern 2018-20







Aggies Leading the Way! Conference

AN EMPOWERING EXPERIENCE FOR EVERY UNDERGRADUATE



Attending professional and academic conferences can be expensive and daunting for many undergraduates. Yet the chance to explore new ideas and network with peers makes conferences some of the most enriching professional development opportunities for students in any discipline.

The Center for Leadership Learning's Aggies
Leading the Way! (ALW) conference is one of the
first professional conferences that many UC Davis
students attend—giving them the chance to meet
new people, build their leadership skills, and better
understand their personal passions without the
barriers of multi-day time commitments, travel and
registration fees. Held on a Saturday every winter
quarter, ALW annually benefits 150-200 students.
Through interactive workshops and sessions, guided
reflection and collaborative discussion, students
learn about a specific leadership theme every year—
from embracing change and overcoming impostor
syndrome, to translating purpose into action and

positioning equity at the forefront of every decision.

With the support of our philanthropic partners, we seek to serve even more students by growing our conference to a two-day event with nationally recognized keynote speakers and alumni mentors.

Annual support of \$25,000 will open new doors and provide a diverse group of students with access to this powerful leadership event.



ALW Conference: An Empowering Experience for Every Undergraduate



An Invitation

With its unique strengths and broad impact, our conference is an influential model for universities and other institutions of higher education across the country. We invite you to join us as we build upon this meaningful experience available to every Aggie. Together, we will continue to prepare our students to become the next generation of change makers, excelling in satisfying careers and leading impactful lives.

"This is one of the first universities that I have seen that offers formal leadership training and capacity building to all students. Most campuses offer leadership through departments. This allows students to gain classroom and field experience to complement their current major rather than change it.

I am so humbled to be a part of the Center for Leadership Learning (CLL) and appreciative of staff who invite me back year after year. There need to be more CLLs across the nation's colleges and universities."

Alejandro Vilchez
 Principal, AV Consulting, Menlo Park, CA







CLL Leadership Education Programs

WORKSHOP SERIES AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS OPEN TO ALL

Problem solving. Managing conflict within a group. Balancing priorities. Creating a welcoming workplace or inclusive community culture.

Effective leadership does not hinge on inherent talent—it takes critical thinking and the constant practice and improvement of skills that can be translated in any setting.

The Center for Leadership Learning is committed to providing UC Davis undergraduate students with the guidance, space and tools to explore fundamental leadership skills and develop personally and professionally.

- Our Leadership Essentials Workshop Series
 offers free hour-long workshops multiple
 times per quarter that cover a variety of
 topics related to leadership and professional
 development—from active listening to
 maintaining a growth mindset.
- Our certificate programs—the Diversity Leadership Development Program and the Student Leadership and Development Program—allow students to cultivate a deeper understanding of their personal leadership qualities. Students direct community engagement projects, build their personal and professional networks, and meet for two hours per week over two quarters to discuss, reflect upon and refine their skills.



We envision a future where every UC Davis student can formally engage with the leadership learning that helps them successfully navigate our changing world. With your philanthropic support, we will ensure that Aggies graduate with the strengths that propel them into rewarding careers and satisfying lives.



An Invitation

We invite you to join us as we provide more students with impactful leadership education opportunities. With the support of our philanthropic partners, we are committed to serving every UC Davis undergraduate who wishes to build their foundational leadership qualities.

Expand our interactive quarterly Leadership Essentials Workshop Series to reach a wider student audience and cover a broader range of topics and skills

GOAL: \$10,000 PER ACADEMIC YEAR

Support the evolution of our two certificate programs, allowing a greater number of students to benefit from these unique educational and professional development experiences

 Diversity Leadership Development Program

GOAL: \$10,000 PER ACADEMIC YEAR

Student Leadership Development
 Program

GOAL: \$10,000 PER ACADEMIC YEAR

"I never realized how deep the practice and application of leadership can go. I learned that leadership is so much more than just being nice—it's actually putting empathy and equity into practice. My personal definition of leadership has changed to include better listening, understanding and believing."

Kristen Tuntland
 Diversity Leadership Development Program '19



"Not only do I have more confidence in myself as a leader, my peers and coworkers have noticed this change within me as well. Throughout the course of the program I have found myself speaking up more at work and in class. Additionally, I have experienced less apprehension and timidity when I do these things. I am so grateful for all that I have learned thus far, and I am excited to continue to implement what I've learned and work toward becoming a stronger leader (and person in general), in the spaces and communities that I am a part of."

Brenda TeikoStudent Leadership Diversity Program '18

