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UPCOMING EVENTS

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FEATURED SPEAKER

ALYSSA GALLAGHER

Global Director, BTS Spark



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OCTOBER 29, 2026 - 7pm ET

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THE LEADERSHIP STYLES THAT INSPIRE TODAY'S WORKFORCE

Modern leadership is less about categories like transformational or servant leadership and more about how leaders show up in day-to-day moments that shape trust, communication and culture. Research consistently shows that employees respond to specific behaviors rather than labels, and these behaviors directly influence engagement, retention and performance.

Search "leadership styles," and you'll find no shortage of frameworks, taxonomies and explainers breaking down every variation from transformational to servant to situational. There's an abundance of content, but it's harder to find a conversation about what actually matters to the people being led. [Read more...](#)

Janet Berry-Johnson/ADP

FEMALE PRESIDENTS MAKE THEIR MARK, BUT UNDERREPRESENTATION PERSISTS

Women make up approximately 58 percent of today's college students, but many female students do not see themselves reflected in college and university presidents.

Approximately 33 percent of college and university presidents are female with the percentage dropping to around 30 percent at Research 1 institutions, with just 6 percent being women of color. Although these numbers do not mirror today's higher education demographic, a diverse group of women are having an impact across the country at both public and private institutions. [Read more...](#)

Lois Elfman/The EDU Ledger

WHAT 60 YEARS OF DATA REVEALS ABOUT HOW MEN AND WOMEN EXPERIENCE LEADERSHIP

In 1965, Harvard Business Review surveyed 2,000 male and female executives to track perceptions of women in leadership. Since then, researchers have replicated that study every twenty years to gauge shifting attitudes toward women in top posts. In this latest installment, which includes responses from 193 senior U.S. executives, supported by in-depth interviews and several new questions, researchers have found some troubling backsliding: Men and women now diverge sharply on whether women are judged more harshly, held to higher standards, and advance through genuinely meritocratic systems. [Read more...](#)

Dwayne Whitten, Wendy R. Boswell & Susan Oldroyd/Harvard Business Review



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