Bringing Learning to Work
The Bringing Learning to Work program connects Orange County organizations with faculty experts at Mihaylo College and provides training to develop leadership talent for today’s work environment. Training areas include leadership, diversity management, organizational dynamics, performance management and work/life skills. With more than 60 topics available and the option to customize your own plan, this program accommodates an organization’s need to “bring the learning to work.”

Annual Leadership Awards
Every year, the center recognizes excellence in executive leadership and leadership development at this prestigious event. The center’s executive board of advisors works tirelessly to identify the most deserving nominees across both categories, and the event has become among the most well-attended leadership awards in Southern California.

The Leadership Scholars Program
Undergraduate Leadership Scholars participate in a variety of programming and support programs, which help them develop leadership skills, enhance their communication abilities and grow their professional networks. Scholars take part in a monthly executive speaker series, attend professional development workshops as part of lunch-and-learn training events, and serve the community through outreach and other activities. Since the program’s inception in 2012, more than 100 students have fulfilled all requirements to graduate as Leadership Scholars.

MBA Concentration in Organizational Leadership
The curriculum for the MBA concentration in organizational leadership, along with other courses in the MBA program, prepares students for leadership roles in business, government and civic organizations. This MBA concentration consists of four courses: Leadership, Power and Influence; Leadership Dynamics; Organizational Development and Change; and Seminar in Team Leadership Skills.

“The Leadership Voice”
The center produces “The Leadership Voice” television program, which is Orange County’s only program devoted entirely to leadership. Each episode addresses an important leadership theme and provides insights, facts, examples, leadership lessons and a Q&A with a panel of experts. The program broadcasts in 20 different Orange County communities and is viewed on Titan TV across the CSUF campus.
More than 13,000 people have participated in more than 300 leadership training programs offered by the center since 2011.

More than 40 students were enrolled in the organizational leadership MBA program in spring 2019, and since 2014, more than 75 students have graduated with this concentration.

More than 128 executives have connected with students through the Leadership Scholar Program’s executive speaker events.

Leadership Scholars contribute more than 1,300 community volunteer hours per semester.

Each Leadership Scholar averages 2.2 job offers.

Since 2017, the center has awarded over $90,000 in student scholarships.

Cumulative donations and fund-generating activities have exceeded $2.5 million since the center’s inception in 2012.

The center’s Leadership Awards has recognized 22 executives for excellence in executive leadership since 2012, and 12 companies have been awarded honors for excellence in leadership since 2013.

The center’s “Leadership Voice” television program has produced 32 episodes on a wide variety of topics.

Stellar Leadership Recognized by Center for Leadership

Highlighting leadership in both the for-profit and social profit sectors, the annual Leadership Awards Luncheon recognizes excellence in strategy, cultural change, innovation, growth, leadership development, continuity and lifetime achievement.

The peer-nominated awards also pay special attention to philanthropic endeavors and social enterprises that make Orange County a more sustainable and inclusive place to live and work.

Presented by Mihaylo College’s Center for Leadership, the 2019 ceremony drew 300 professionals from every industry and hosted Mihaylo College students.

Jeff McBride, president and CEO of the YMCA of Orange County; Shari Battle, market manager for Bank of America in Orange County; entrepreneur, attorney and author Elizabeth Yang; and Robert Santana, head of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Orange Coast, were honored with the Excellence in Executive Leadership.

Two regional enterprises, Hyundai Capital America and Advance Beauty College, were recognized for their commitment and dedication with the Excellence in Leadership Development Award. Charlie Zhang, principal founder of Zion Enterprises, earned the Lifetime Achievement Award for Leadership and Philanthropy in Business and the Community.

CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Experienced Board Leadership

The center’s advisory board and board of directors membership includes vice president and C-level executives to oversee the center’s initiatives. The members support the center with both valuable wisdom and leadership as well as funding.

Extraordinary Board Support

Since 2012, advisory board members and board of directors have contributed all funds to make up the center’s annual $350,000 budget through donations, partnerships and collaborations.

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