Role Transition - Annotated Bibliography

Defining Leadership: Why Do You Want to Lead?

What Kind of Leader Do You Want to Be?

This short article shares a list of leadership behaviors that up-and-coming leaders should think about, with the most important 'footprints' being intent (what kind of leader you want to be) and impact (what legacy you want to leave).


Should I Be the Next Chair?

These are questions for faculty members to ask themselves before deciding to take an administrative position for the first time.


Self-Awareness: Strength and Weaknesses

Managing Oneself

This Harvard Business Review Classic targets knowledge workers who often must become their own chief executive officers. The current article poses several important questions to ponder and provides advice to more effectively develop a career. An excellent read for today's leaders, whose careers often span decades and who may re-invent themselves on many occasions.


StrengthsFinder 2.0

Gallup provides hundreds of strategies to help people find their talents and develop their strengths. This book also provides structured ways to solicit team discussion.


The 3 Qualities That Make a Good Dean

With more than 10 years of experience as a dean, the author talks about how and why he accepted the position and shares three most important qualities needed for the position.


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What Makes a Leader?

This article was a best seller in 1998 from the Harvard Business Review when the concept of emotional intelligence was first brought up as a leadership quality. Dr. Goleman claims emotional intelligence (which refers to high levels of self-awareness, self-regulation, motivation, empathy, and social skill) is key to serving as an effective leader. There are more detailed resources on the topic of emotional intelligence.

The Most Productive Way to Develop as a Leader

The current article shares a different and creative perspective for a leader: a playful self-concept. The author argues "play-mode" fosters creativity and innovation.

Retrieved from https://hbr.org/2015/03/the-most-productive-way-to-develop-as-a-leader

What Makes Good Leaders

The college administrator's survival guide

There are different roles and expectations for college administrators and here are the common dilemmas that many college administrators struggle to navigate through. The author offers tips, insights, and tools on dealing with not-entirely-manageable environments.


The Harvard Business Review Manager’s Handbook: The 17 Skills Leaders Need to Stand Out

This handbook is devoted to help readers develop leadership skills with step-by-step advice and best practices on specific topics. The advice ranges from building credibility and emotional intelligence to recruiting and understanding financial strategies.


To Succeed as a First-Time Leader, Relax

This article acknowledges how stressful role transition to a leadership position may be, and introduces structured process to the smooth the transition. The process follows mindset shift, mindfulness skills, medical wellness, and meaning structures. Each step is succinctly explained with personal and evidence-based examples.


For New Academic Leaders

Advice for new administrators

The author provides friendly quick tips for rookies in administrative positions.


They don't train us for this

This article has a subtitle as '13 lessons I wish someone had taught me before I became an academic administrator.' A short but practical wisdom piece from an experienced academic administrator.

Schwarback, F. (2016). They don't train us for this. The Chronicle of Higher Education.
Your To-Do List as Chair

Five core responsibilities expected for a chair are explained with applicable examples.

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Chair in despair

This article contains a consultation on common difficulties that a new department chair often experiences. Several suggestions are provided by a president of National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity.


Advice to Academic Leaders

Caught in the Middle

Department chairs commonly feel helpless in the face of trying to meet everyone's needs. The author answers to the struggles with detailed strategies for coping.


Friend or Administrator?

The author offers a realistic advice to those who are struggling with interpersonal role conflicts in administrative positions.


Deeper Dive: Academic Review and other Sources

The Nature of Leadership

The work consists of 16 chapters exhaustively reviewing what has been achieved in the field of leadership. Starting from the overall insight on the topic from the two prominent editors, the book addresses important issues including science and method in the field, different schools of leadership theories, and leadership with more specific topics (e.g., ethics, gender, culture). Particularly, Chapter 4 (The Nature of Leadership Development) explains theories on how leaders emerge and leadership develops.


Advances in Leader and Leadership Development: A Review of 25 Years of Research and Theory
This review article summarizes 25 years of theoretical and empirical research on the topic of leadership. The review provides a list of intra-/inter-personal competencies of leaders (e.g., personality, skills); explains process factors that shape the pattern of leadership development over time; addresses the longitudinal nature of leadership development; and finally shows how leadership development has been assessed in varying methods (e.g., social network analysis).


Transitions between Faculty and Administrative Careers

Providing extensive real life examples, this book is a collection of wisdom on how to manage challenges of transitioning between faculty and administrative careers, written by multiple experts on each topic. Issues such as building a diverse support team, developing flexible management skills to enhance all types of professional relationships, actively bridging academe and administration, and articulating your vision, among others, are discussed in detail. There are also a couple of chapters addressing back transition.


Primal leadership: Unleashing the power of emotional intelligence

Dr. Goleman, the emotional intelligence expert, provides stories and anecdotes on how leaders in corporations and schools can positively influence others by priming good feelings in team.