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Program Overview

The Excellence in Leadership Program (ELP) provides opportunities for faculty and staff to become more effective leaders who can successfully address the key challenges of a dynamic university.

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Program Objectives

- Develop skills to successfully envision, plan and implement enduring positive change.
- Cultivate a collaborative, problem-solving community among university leaders.
- Sharpen knowledge, skills and practical insight to improve leader efficacy in the university context.
- Gain greater awareness of the CU System and the opportunities at each campus.
- Increase understanding of university economics and realities of fundraising.

Program Eligibility
Candidates are high-potential, high-performing individuals currently in university management or faculty roles. Participants are nominated by senior management. Please note: self-nominations are not accepted.

A Legacy of Leadership

Consider nominating an employee for ELP. Participants grow as leaders, gain expertise and contribute to CU’s legacy of bold, innovative leadership.

Contact Employee Learning & Development staff at system.training@cu.edu [2] if you have questions about the nomination processes or the program in general.