Drawing on the best leadership advice and research from inside and outside the academy, the Core Leadership Skills Series is designed to present each topic in a way that is concise, relevant, and practical for busy faculty leaders.

Friday, Sep. 5
Leading Groups and Meetings
CFE Conference Room (318), Wilson Library
Effective faculty leadership almost always involves group work. This session will focus on the key points in organizing successful meetings including: agenda building and management, facilitating discussion, and handling difficult group members.

Friday, Oct. 10
Setting Goals for Individuals, Groups, and Organizations
CFE Conference Room (318), Wilson Library
Goal setting is critical to success in completing most faculty leadership tasks. This session will focus on setting goals that are motivating, realistic, strategic, and measurable.

Friday, Nov. 7
Supervising One-on-One in the Academic Setting
CFE Conference Room (318), Wilson Library
The dimensions of supervision vary with the context: directing students, guiding postdocs, working with colleagues, or managing employees; but there are general principles and practices that all leaders should know.

Friday, Nov. 21
Managing Challenging Interactions
CFE Conference Room (318), Wilson Library
Sometimes faculty leaders need to address a problem with an individual and a “crucial conversation” is needed to put things right. At these times, it’s good to have a step-by-step approach to follow.

Friday, Dec. 12
Negotiation Skills for Academic Leaders
CFE Conference Room (318), Wilson Library
An expert on negotiating within the university setting teaches win-win approaches to achieving results and strengthening relationships. Participants will come away with specific methods they can use to bridge differences and a template for how to approach negotiations.

Friday, Feb. 6
Leading Change, Adapting to Change
CFE Conference Room (318), Wilson Library
When it comes to organizational change, as the song goes, “Sometimes you’re the windshield, sometimes you’re the bug!” It is important for leaders to know how to be a proactive agent of change and also how to help others adjust to change.

Friday, Mar. 6
Resolving Conflicts
CFE Conference Room (318), Wilson Library
Differences are inevitable in university life, and we all have our own distinctive style of approaching conflict. This seminar is a chance to review your typical approach to conflict and consider how you might improve your results in conflict situations.

Friday, Apr. 10
Resilient Leadership Under Stress
CFE Conference Room (318), Wilson Library
Explore the stresses inherent in the leadership role, review what is contributing to your own current stress level, and add to your repertoire of stress management approaches.

All sessions will be from 12:00pm to 1:30pm and lunch will be served.

To register, please visit the Leadership Programming section of CFE’s website.