This course will be a weekly speaker series of CEOs and other high-profile leaders in business, social action, the arts and beyond telling a first-person story of how they accomplished the challenge of getting others to think and act differently. Past speakers include Reddit CEO Steve Huffman, CEO of Dictionary.com Liz McMillan & CEO of CBS Interactive Jim Lanzone.

Through their stories, and the answers to your questions, these leaders will demonstrate the diversity of techniques, skills, strategies, tactics and attitudes it takes to successfully motivate people and lead them forward to a common purpose.

This class is great for students looking to get a head start in moving into their own leadership roles, learning about the challenges leaders face within organizations and how best to tackle them.

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