

Class. Leaders.

Despite the old adage, most leaders are made not born.

So, where does one learn to be a leader? Where does one obtain the tools necessary for success? Leadership requires knowledge, inspiration, passion, and character. As such, higher education can be the key to transforming students into leaders.

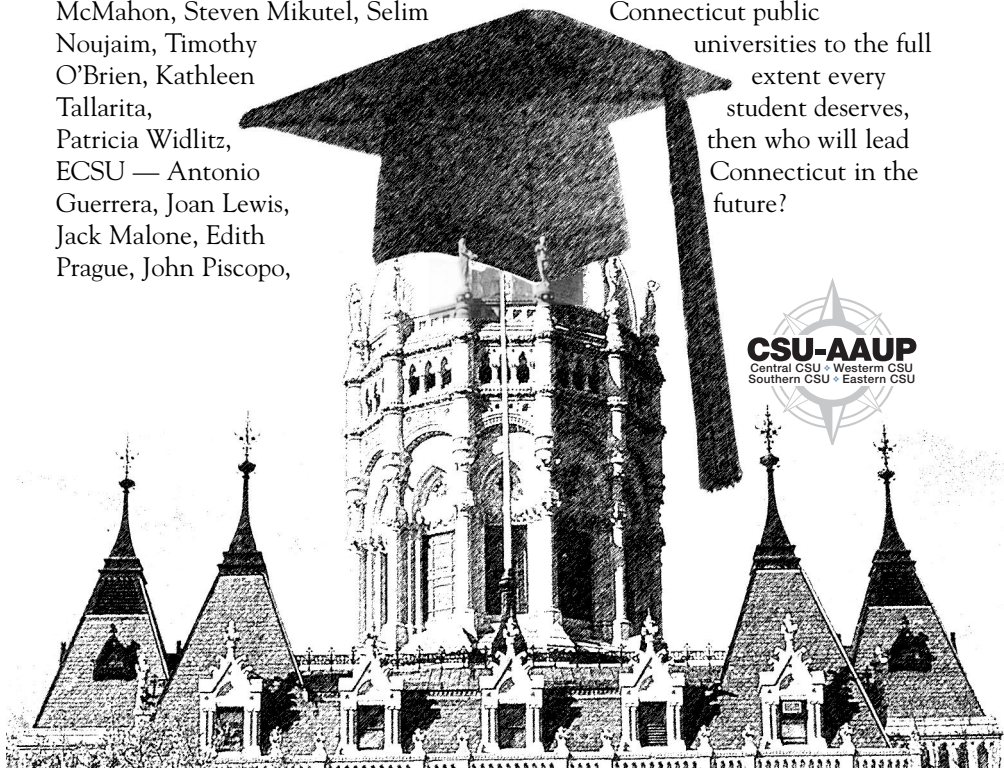
Professors impart knowledge, provide inspiration and build character in their students. The more than 3,000 professors and professional staff of the Connecticut State University System (CSUS) - Central in New Britain, Eastern in Willimantic, Southern in New Haven, and Western in Danbury - contribute a wealth of leaders to the state of Connecticut.

- Governor M. Jodi Rell (WCSU) and other political leaders such as U.S. Congressman John Larson (CCSU) and Danbury Mayor Mark Boughton (WCSU)
- 28 current state legislators: CCSU — Betty Boukus, Michael Caron, Michael Christ, Thomas Drew, Gary LeBeau, Corky Mazurek, Faith McMahon, Steven Mikutel, Selim Noujaim, Timothy O'Brien, Kathleen Tallarita, Patricia Widlitz, ECSU — Antonio Guerrero, Joan Lewis, Jack Malone, Edith Prague, John Piscopo,

SCSU — Paul Davis, William Dyson, Judith Freedman, Thomas Gaffey, Marilyn Giuliano, Mary Mushinsky, Vickie Orsini Nardello, Toni Walker, WCSU — David Cappiello, John Frey, David Scribner

- Media leaders such as Faith Middleton (NPR Personality), Stan Simpson (Columnist, *Hartford Courant*), Michael Guinan (Publisher & Editor-in-Chief, *Hartford Magazine*), and Darren Sweeney (Meteorologist, WFSB TV)
- Business leaders such as Angelo Messina (VP & CFO, Otis Elevator), Norby Williamson (Executive Vice President, ESPN), and Raul Allegue (VP & Deputy Director, Government Relations, St. Paul Travelers)
- Education leaders such as Dr. Merle W. Harris (President, Charter Oak State College) and Mary Kay Rendock (Connecticut Department of Education 2006 Teacher of the Year), who is one of the two-thirds of all current K-12 teachers who are CSUS educated

If we don't support ALL our Connecticut public universities to the full extent every student deserves, then who will lead Connecticut in the future?



One system, four public universities— Central Connecticut State University. Eastern Connecticut State University. Southern Connecticut State University. Western Connecticut State University.