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INTRODUCTION

Welcome! We are delighted that you are a part of the 1st Doctoral Symposium in Leadership hosted by the C.T. Bauer College of Business at the University of Houston and The Leadership Quarterly (LQ). Our goal for this symposium is to provide doctoral students and junior faculty studying leadership in organizations and of organizations with an excellent opportunity to meet and discuss their research with senior level mentors, as well as with students and faculty from other universities. We encourage you to take advantage of this forum to obtain feedback on your work and to develop professional relationships that become long lasting.

I would like to extend particular appreciation to Dr. Dusya Vera, Associate Professor of Strategy, and to Sarah Kole, our Administrative Assistant, as well as to the management department faculty and doctoral students for their tireless efforts in making this symposium come together. I would also like to thank Elsevier for their contributions to the event we are hosting. Special thanks also to our keynote speaker Dr. Fran Yammarino and to the current LQ Associate Editors (Dr. John Antonakis, Dr. Shelley Dionne, and Dr. Kevin Lowe) and former Editors of LQ (Dr. Yammarino and Dr. Mumford) for their enthusiastic support for this initiative. We hope this symposium will serve as a stimulus for other similar leadership meetings in the future. We wish you a memorable and productive experience in Houston!

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Friday, October 26, 2012

5:00 - 5:30  Registration
  University Hilton-Plaza Room

5:30 - 5:35  Welcoming Remarks & Keynote Speaker Introduction
  Professor Leanne Atwater, University of Houston

5:35 - 6:30  Keynote Address
  “Leadership Without and With LQ”
  Professor Francis Yammarino, SUNY Binghamton

6:30 - 8:30  Dinner
  University Hilton-Shamrock Ballroom B

Saturday, October 27, 2012

8:30 – 9:00  Continental Breakfast
  Cemo Hall

9:00 - 10:30  Session I – Junior Faculty Presentations
  Cemo Hall 105

“Leader developmental readiness and reactions to and implementation of assessment center feedback”
  By: Becky Reichard, Claremont College

“Leader-Member Exchange: The role of felt emotions and cognitions”
  By: Janaki Gooty, State University of New York at Binghamton

“Questioning assumptions in the research methods used in organizational behavior and leadership”
  By: Seth Spain, State University of New York at Binghamton

10:30 – 10:45  Break
10:45 – 12:30  **Roundtables**

**Roundtable 1**
*Cemo Hall 111*

**Mentor:** Shelley Dionne, SUNY Binghamton  
**Junior Faculty:** Tamara Friedrich, Savannah State University

“*Getting specific about leadership in diverse teams: Leader moderators of information elaboration*”  
By: Eli Awtrey, University of Washington

“The role of managerial age upon employees’ perceptions of leadership”  
By: Bill McKnight, University of Houston

“*Diversity or diversity competency? A multi-level review of leadership’s role in shaping diversity initiatives*”  
By: Sheleisha Willis, Claremont College

“*Getting to the good stuff: Examining how inclusive leadership impacts the diversity-performance relationship*”  
By: Alison Hall, Tulane University

**Roundtable 2**
*Cemo Hall 112*

**Mentor:** Kevin Lowe, University of North Carolina-Greensboro  
**Junior Faculty:** Janaki Gooty, University of North Carolina-Charlotte

“It’s better with two: Exploring the intersection of authentic and transformational”  
By: Amanda Christensen, Arizona State University

“*Leader authenticity breaches: Potential follower effects and implications*”  
By: Kelly Davis, Texas Tech University

“*Team composition and emergent state predictors of shared leadership*”  
By: Tiffani Chen, George Mason University
Roundtable 3  
Cemo Hall 113

Mentor: Francis Yammarino, SUNY Binghamton  
Junior Faculty: Vicky Liu, University of Houston

“Personal characteristics, ethical leadership, and leader effectiveness”  
By: Danni Wang, Arizona State University

“Moral person transgressions in the c-suite: An investigation of observer reactions”  
By: Codou Samba and Rachel Sturm, University of Houston

“Breaking the ice: The influence of leader humor on employee silence”  
By: Yonghong (Tracy) Liu, University of Miami

Roundtable 4  
Cemo Hall 114

Mentor: Michael Mumford, University of Oklahoma  
Junior Faculty: Peter Harms, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

“Authenticity in relational mentoring: A theory of developmental partnerships that produce high level outcomes”  
By: Bryan Deptula, Florida Atlantic University

“Applying implicit leadership and followership theories to person-organization fit: How this interaction affects performance over time”  
By: Fong Keng, University of Washington

“When do followers support leaders and what difference does it make?”  
By: Salar Mesdaghinia, University of Houston
Roundtable 5  
Cemo Hall 115

Mentor: Leanne Atwater, University of Houston  
Junior Faculty: Seth Spain, SUNY Binghamton

“Leading a double life: How top executives’ invisible selves influence themselves, teams, and followers”  
By: Wei Shi, Rice University

“The impact of family-work conflict on abusive supervision and the moderating roles of supervisor gender and job autonomy: Integrating frustration-aggression and role theories”  
By: Troy Smith, Texas A&M University

“Creating the conditions for thriving: The role of humble leaders”  
By: Ted Paterson, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

“Looking ahead to NASA leadership research needs for long duration exploration missions: Leadership research program proposal”  
By: Brandon Vessey, University of Oklahoma

Roundtable 6  
Cemo Hall 116

Mentor: John Antonakis, University of Lausanne  
Junior Faculty: Becky Reichard, Claremont College

“Leader political support: Its antecedents and multi-level consequences”  
By: Parker Ellen, Florida State University

“Multi-level effects of cognitive bias and emotional processes on crisis perception and group decision making”  
By: Alka Gupta, SUNY Binghamton

“Leadership and team performance on a continuum of virtuality: An interactionist multilevel model and partial test”  
By: Andra Serban, SUNY Binghamton
1:30 – 2:30  **Panel Discussion with Leadership Quarterly Mentors**  
*Cemo Hall 105*  

“Getting Hired and Getting Tenure: Lessons Learned”

Leanne Atwater, University of Houston  
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Michael Mumford, University of Oklahoma  
Shelley Dionne, SUNY Binghamton  
Kevin Lowe, University of North Carolina-Greensboro  
John Antonakis, University of Lausanne

2:30 – 2:45  **Break**

2:45 – 4:15  **Session II – Junior Faculty Presentations**  
*Cemo Hall 105*  

“What are we really measuring? A closer look at the construct validity of leadership questionnaires”  
By: Peter Harms, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

“When change leadership impacts commitment to change and when it doesn’t: a multi-level multi-dimensional investigation”  
By: Vicky Liu, University of Houston

4:15 – 4:30  **Concluding Remarks**  
Professor Leanne Atwater, University of Houston
Presenter: Seth Spain – SUNY Binghamton

“Questioning assumptions in the research methods used in organizational behavior and leadership”

Abstract

I will discuss recent work my research assistants and I have conducted that demonstrates that certain basic assumptions in the research methods used in organizational behavior and leadership do not often obtain. For instance, I will review work we have done that shows that many relationships examined in these areas are far from linear. Further, I will discuss the lack of correspondence between what I call “default” models-which encode only statistical assumptions, and substantive models-which demonstrate that there are comparatively straightforward methods available to researchers that can help bring their analyses more into line with their hypothetical models.
Abstract

Given that the general impact of leader development interventions is relatively small (Avolio, Reichard, Hannah, Walumbwa, & Chan, 2009), amplifiers that accelerate and maximize leader development are of importance. One such leverage point focuses on the extent to which leaders engaging in leader development programs are developmentally ready. When a leader development program is feedback-intensive (King & Santana, 2010) and relies on leader self-development (Boyce, 2004; Boyce, Zaccaro, & Wisecarver, 2005; Reichard, 2006), developmental readiness is arguably even more important.

Developmental readiness refers to “both the ability and motivation to attend to, make meaning of, and appropriate new knowledge into one’s long-term memory structures” (Hannah & Lester, 2009, p. 37) and is a higher-order, individual-level construct composed of a number of sub-constructs such as learning goal orientation, developmental efficacy, self-awareness, leader complexity, and meta-cognitive ability (Avolio & Hannah, 2008, 2009). Despite the claims that developmental readiness is a construct that can be validly measured, is malleable, and is focused at the individual level of analysis (Hannah & Avolio, 2010); scant empirical research to date has examined the relationship between developmental readiness and leader development outcomes.

In the proposed study, 200 non-profit leaders will complete an online pre-assessment of developmental readiness indicators (see Table 1). Next, the leaders will participate in a 4-hour assessment center consisting of an in-basket activity, leaderless group discussion, and a one-on-one role-play with a troubled follower (see Table 2). During the assessment center, leaders will complete an additional survey measure focused on validating the behaviorally anchored rating scales. Based on trained assessors’ (rater-error training, frame-of-reference training) ratings, leaders will receive a 10-12 page personalized feedback report providing quantitative (and comparative) feedback along four dimensions of leadership (executing, relationship building, strategic thinking, and influencing; see Table 3). The report will also include tailored suggestions for development anchored to each leadership dimension. Upon the receipt of feedback (within 1 month of the assessment center), leaders will complete an on-line post-survey to assess reactions to the feedback, state affectivity, and developmental intentions. Finally, one month following feedback, leaders will be asked to report their implementation of leader development in the past month.
I expect to find that leaders’ level of developmental readiness will relate to reactions to feedback, intentions to develop, and implementation of leader development following the assessment center. To date, 45 non-profit leaders have participated in the funded project (Blais Foundation and Kravis Institute); however only a handful have completed both post-surveys. Implications of the study may shed light on the aspects of developmental readiness that are most relevant to the utilization of feedback in a leader development program.
Presenter: Tamara Friedrich – Savannah State University

“Collective leadership: Current findings and future efforts”

Abstract

It has become clear in the last decade of leadership research that consideration of the social context around leaders is critical to both understanding leadership and to leadership itself. Theories such as shared leadership (Pearce & Conger, 2003), network theories (Balkundi & Kilduff, 2005), team leadership (Day, Gronn, & Salas, 2004), complexity leadership theory (Uhl-Bien & Marion, 2009), and most recently collective leadership (Friedrich, Vessey, Schuelke, Ruark, & Mumford, 2009) are key examples of this broader paradigm shift. In fact, a recent article in *Industrial and Organizational Psychology: Perspectives on Science and Practice* by Yammarino, Salas, Serban, Shirreffs, and Shuffler (2012) reviews this shift towards understanding collectivistic leadership.

This presentation will focus on the most recently proposed collectivistic theory – collective leadership (Friedrich, et al., 2009) which we propose as an integrative theory of many of the other collectivistic theories. I will spend a short time discussing the important impetus for this theory, a project focusing on the collective leadership efforts of the United States Army, and the major tenets of our model. I will review the results of our recent historiometric study on U.S. Army General George C. Marshall that demonstrates both the effectiveness of collective leadership, in general, and its role in the success of a prominent military leader.

I will then review how collective leadership theory differs from other major collectivistic theories. In particular, I will review the importance of social cognition to the success of collective leadership. In light of the importance of social cognition, I will discuss some initial findings of a recent study that demonstrate how leaders use information about their social network to determine which influence strategies to choose, particularly when to use influence strategies related to collective leadership. These initial findings demonstrate that the characteristics of a leader’s network, such as size, connectedness, and embeddedness impact which type of influence they use to lead the team, such as coalition, consultation, or collaboration tactics, each of which is a behavior related to collective leadership. To end, I will review some potential future directions for collective leadership research such as the relationship between collective leadership and innovation.
Presenter: Vicky Liu – University of Houston

“When change leadership impacts commitment to change and when it doesn’t: A multi-level multi-dimensional investigation”

Abstract

This study is aimed at further developing the change leadership measure and investigating its effect on employees’ commitment to a particular change, along with investigating the moderating roles of leaders’ general transformational leadership styles and subordinates’ affective commitment to the larger organization. It involves 488 employees across 27 work units in 20 organizations that had recently experienced a change. The results for the change leadership measure suggest that change leadership behaviors encompass two factors—leaders’ change-selling behavior and change-implementing behavior. Hierarchical linear modeling results indicate that the two aspects of change leadership have different effects on employees’ affective commitment to change. While leaders’ change-selling behavior was positively associated with affective commitment to change, the relationship between change-implementing behavior and commitment to change was not significant. In addition, the relationships between change leadership and employees' commitment to change are best explained by two three-way interactions. Theoretical and empirical implications are discussed.
Presenter: Peter Harms – University of Nebraska - Lincoln

"What are we really measuring? A closer look at the construct validity of leadership questionnaires"

Abstract

A significant problem in the field of leadership is that of construct proliferation. It is therefore quite surprising how little research has been done to assess the construct validity of leadership measures that have recently been introduced into the literature. This study attempts to address this issue, evaluate the utility of widely-used measures, and suggest future directions for leadership assessment research. Using a sample of 2139 workers rating their immediate supervisors, we attempt to demonstrate to what degree leadership measures predict workplace outcomes (e.g. ocbs, cwbs, job satisfaction, turnover intentions) above and beyond demographics and individual differences. In addition to this, we assess the interrelationships of a variety of leadership measures including transformational, transactional, laissez-faire, ethical, authentic, and directive leadership as well as abusive supervision and two measures of leader-member exchange. Finally, we utilize the Index of Individual Differences in the Lexicon and the California Q-sort to gain a clearer understanding of what exactly are subordinates rating when they complete leadership measures. Results showed that the assumption of normality was violated for each of the leadership measures tested. Leadership measures showed substantial incremental validity above and beyond leader demographics, subordinate demographics, and subordinate personality. Leader-member exchange showed the most incremental validity for job satisfaction, turnover intentions, and organizational citizenship behaviors. Transformational leadership showed the most incremental validity for affective commitment. Abusive supervision showed the most incremental validity for counterproductive work behaviors. Correlations between the leadership measures ranged from a low of -.06 for aversive leadership and initiating structure to a high of .87 for authentic leadership and transformational leadership. Additional analyses exploring the convergent and discriminant validity of the measures revealed substantial issues concerning the construct validity of several leadership measures. This study indicates that measurement of leadership constructs represents a significant problem in the field of leadership and that a number of measures may require significant revisions in order to align them with their theoretical foundations.
Presenter: Janaki Gooty – University of North Carolina-Charlotte

“Leader-member exchange: The role of felt emotions and cognitions”

Abstract

The extant literature in Leader-member exchange (LMX) suggests that the development of high quality relationships is linked to better follower attitudinal (e.g., Job satisfaction) and behavioral (e.g., performance) outcomes (Dulebohn, et al in press). While most of this literature focuses on the consequences of LMX, very little empirical research addresses the development of LMX itself (See Bauer & Green, 1996 for an exception). In addition, the extant theoretical literature in LMX development suggests two key notions: 1) Cognitions (i.e., follower cognitions and attributions regarding the leader) are a key antecedent to LMX and 2) LMX is assumed to develop in a linear fashion based on role-testing theory and repeated leader-follower interactions (Sin, Nahrang & Morgeson, 2009; Graen & Uhl-Bien, 1995). In this paper, we develop theory suggesting that a) critical events in a relationship can help develop or hinder LMX in a non-linear fashion and b) Discrete felt emotions (e.g., pride, disappointment, disgust, liking) influence event-specific LMX and enduring LMX as well in addition to cognitions after such events (e.g., Justice) as shown in Figure 1 below. We test these notions via critical event techniques and find support for most of our theoretical ideas. The findings concerning emotions, helpful and hurtful events, however, are more nuanced than we expected. Implications for LMX development are discussed.

Figure 1: Emotions, Cognition and LMX

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Controls: Dyad tenure, gender, tenure with organization
Roundtables: Amanda Christensen – Arizona State University

“It’s better with two: Exploring the intersection of authentic and transformational”

Abstract

This research proposes to investigate the intersection of authentic and transformational leadership using data from four separate samples. It is proposed that the interaction of authentic and transformational leadership influences several follower outcomes, including job performance, organizational citizenship behavior, psychological ownership, and turnover intentions, over and above that of either leadership style alone.
Roundtables: Danni Wang – Arizona State University

“Personal characteristics, ethical leadership, and leader effectiveness”

Abstract

A growing body of literature has considered the outcomes of ethical leadership in terms of effects on followers. However, little research has addressed its antecedents with regard to personal characteristics or qualities of leaders. Accordingly, the current research attempts to add to the literature by conceiving such characteristics largely in terms of brain activities, self- and other-orientations, as well as ethical ideology stressing relativism. Our work suggests that increased activities in the brain’s default network versus attention network may be related to people’s self versus other orientation. Moreover, narcissism (self-orientation) and relativism should be negatively associated with follower perceptions of ethical leadership, while idealism (other-orientation) should be positively associated with follower perceptions of ethical leadership. In this paper, we will examine the effectiveness of leaders themselves based on reports from peers or superiors. In our model, we further propose that ethical leadership is positively associated with leader effectiveness.
Roundtables: Sheleisha Willis – Claremont College

“Diversity or diversity competency? A multi-level review of leadership’s role in shaping diversity initiatives”

Abstract

Issues of diversity and globalization are changing the ways that leaders do business around the world. To effectively and efficiently operate in a diverse, dynamic market, organizational leaders must find ways to best accommodate the needs of their diverse stakeholders: customers, employees, shareholders, etc. The purpose of this research is to critically examine the conditions under which diversity leads to favorable and unfavorable organizational outcomes so that organizational leaders can leverage diversity in a way that positively influences organizational members’ quality of work life and the organization’s bottom line. These conditions are discussed at different levels of analysis and take into consideration the implications of diversity types. This research seeks to fill gaps in the leadership literature and provides a set of hypothesized relationships to be tested.
Roundtables: Bryan Deptula – Florida Atlantic University

“Authenticity in relational mentoring: A theory of developmental partnerships that produce high level outcomes”

Abstract

Understanding the potential for authenticity to positively influence mentoring relationship quality has important consequences for individual and organizational outcomes. Our research extends the emerging conceptualization of relational mentoring by exploring how shared values in mentoring partnerships generates authenticity in relational mentoring which in turn, produces outcomes beyond expectations. The purpose of the present theoretical research is to develop theory illustrating a conceptualization of Authenticity in Relational Mentoring (ARM), which can be defined as: Dyadic developmental mentoring partnerships involving highly symmetric and parallel interactions between authentic individuals who mutually contribute to each other’s personal and professional growth.

We believe that where ARM develops, partners in the mentorship will express deep emotional closeness and experience a bond of friendship characterized by intersubjectivity and the intertwining of personal lives that transcends organizational boundaries. ARM should lead to performance beyond expectations regardless of organizational context. In a constellation of mentoring relationships (Higgins & Thomas, 2001), mentoring partners who experience ARM are likely to see one another as central and important developmental figures, and perceive the relationship as meaningful and enduring, simultaneously providing high levels of professional value and personal growth.
Roundtables: Parker Ellen – Florida State University

“Leader political support: Its antecedents and multi-level consequences”

Abstract

Politics and leader political behavior historically have been classified as self-serving and organizationally counter-productive. However, scholars repeatedly have noted the effectiveness of political acts to achieve ends, and have called for further discussion of positive forms of political leadership. Continuing in this recent stream of research on positive perspectives of organizational politics, a model, with testable propositions, of leader political support is presented. The political support construct is defined and its antecedents are explicated using a social networks perspective. Additionally, the multi-level organizational consequences of leader political support are presented. Expected contributions to leadership and organizational politics literatures, as well to managerial practice, are discussed.
Roundtables: Tiffani Chen – George Mason University

“Team composition and emergent state predictors of shared leadership”

Abstract

The current proposal seeks to examine the emergence of shared leadership on student project teams over the course of a semester. Gibb (1954, p. 884) provided one of the first explanations of what it means for group members to share leadership responsibilities, stating “leadership is probably best conceived as a group quality, as a set of functions which must be carried out by the group. This concept of ‘distributed leadership’ is an important one.” Since Gibb wrote those words in 1954, research on shared leadership has advance greatly but we still have much to learn about both the antecedents and consequences of shared leadership emergence on teams.

The principal research question of this project is how team member individual difference characteristics will lead to the emergence of emergent states that will facilitate shared leadership development on teams over time. Specifically I will be examining the effect of personality characteristics on the emergent states of trust, cohesion, collective efficacy for leadership, and shared leadership emergence over the course of a 12 week group project. Group effectiveness will be measured at the conclusion of the project. A secondary research question of the current research is to determine whether there is a mediating mechanism between shared leadership and performance or whether shared leadership will lead directly to increased performance. As such, shared mental models will also be assessed during the final measurement period in the study.

Subjects for this study come from an undergraduate organizational behavior class. After completing an initial measurement battery that includes Big 5, contextual performance skills, motivation to lead, and leadership biodata, students will be assigned to teams based on their availability for team meetings. Teams will submit three separate team tasks through the semester and after each task will complete measures about team processes, communication, and emergent states. This will enable me to track the emergence of shared leadership and other emergent states relative to each other and determine causal ordering of shared leadership emergence relative to team trust, cohesion and collective efficacy. At the third time point, students will also complete a measure of shared mental models as a possible mediator between shared leadership and performance. Students will complete a team member evaluation at the conclusion of the semester and their projects will be evaluated by SMEs for quality to determine if higher levels of shared leadership on teams had a positive impact on objectively rated team outcomes.
Roundtables: Wei Shi – Rice University

“Leading a double life: How top executives’ invisible selves influence themselves, teams, and followers”

Abstract

Existing studies on top executives have assumed that top executives are rational human beings and make decisions to maximize their interests. However, top executives, like any of us, have secrets and oftentimes have fewer channels to vent stress associated with keeping these secrets. As a result, they are more likely to lead an invisible life than ordinary people. Some may have a private life that is not socially accepted, some may frequently engage in amoral behaviors, and some take advantage of the interests of investors privately although manifesting their commitment to maximizing investors’ interests in public. Therefore, examining invisible selves of top executives can give us a better understanding of true drives underneath their behaviors. The purpose of this paper is to unveil the antecedents of top executives’ invisible selves, the nature of their invisible selves, and the consequences of dissonance between visible and invisible selves. By doing so, I aim to develop a theory of invisible selves and to investigate the profound implication of invisible selves on top executives’ behaviors, TMT dynamics, and relationship with followers.
Roundtables: Alka Gupta – SUNY Binghamton

“Multi-level effects of cognitive bias and emotional processes on crisis perception and group decision making”

Abstract

Crisis has emerged as an important topic in scholarly journals and popular press as a consequence of recent crises such as 2008 global financial collapse, Libya national crisis, H1N1 epidemic, and various organization crises. Research needs to consider psychological factors that may affect decision making at multiple levels of analysis during crisis to better understand the dynamic nature of the decision process. We attempt to build a model that explains how psychological and cognitive factors affect crisis decision making at multiple levels of analysis (individual and team) and how certain discrete negative emotions can buffer these effects.
Roundtables: Andra Serban – SUNY Binghamton

“Leadership and team performance on a continuum of virtuality: An interactionist multilevel model and partial test”

Abstract

Researchers have suggested that a synergy between leadership studies and social network approaches is essential and would be extremely beneficial for both literatures. As such, the present research is analyzing leadership emergence in teams, in relation to the network structure that develops among the team members, as they engage in project-oriented teamwork. Three integrated essays are provided, in which the first one builds a general interactionist multi-level framework of leadership and team performance with specific hypotheses and the latter two provide partial tests of it, by means of agent-based simulations using the Python programming language and empirical tests. Teams are presented on a continuum of virtuality and specific hypotheses are put forth for how several performance antecedents at the individual level and team level can have higher or lower impact on the outcomes of interest depending on team type (high virtuality vs. low virtuality). As compared to prior literature, the framework proposes a network level of analysis as well, and presents the advantages of a social network perspective in studying organizational behavior. Beyond explicitly addressing levels of analysis issues in theory and hypothesis development, emphasis is also being placed on the isomorphic, discontinuous or unique nature of constructs across levels.
Roundtables: Troy Smith – Texas A&M University

“The impact of family-work conflict on abusive supervision and the moderating roles of supervisor gender and job autonomy: Integrating frustration-aggression and role theories”

Abstract

Based in large part on frustration-aggression theory, existing research on antecedents of abusive supervision focuses primarily on predictors in supervisors’ immediate work environments that trigger abusive behaviors. However, to broaden our understanding of predictors of abusive supervision, the purpose of this study is to integrate frustration-aggression theory with role theory to suggest that abusive supervision can also be triggered by stressors experienced by supervisors in the family domain that spill over into the workplace (i.e., family-work conflict). We further hypothesize that female supervisors are more prone than male supervisors to display abusive supervisory behaviors when experiencing family-work conflict. We also hypothesize that supervisor job autonomy moderates the relationship between family-work conflict and abusive supervision. These hypotheses were tested and supported in a sample of supervisors and subordinates at a Fortune 500 company. This study contributes to theory and research on abusive supervision and family-work conflict by extending the scope of antecedents to abusive supervision, identifying a condition in which female supervisors behave aggressively toward subordinates at work, and by examining family-to-work spillover effects in the context of supervisor-subordinate relationships. It also introduces supervisor job autonomy as another condition that influences how family-work conflict impacts the display of abusive supervision behaviors.
Roundtables: Kelly Davis – Texas Tech University

“What leader authenticity breaches: Potential follower effects and implications”

Abstract

Authentic leadership is based on “owning one’s personal experiences (values, thoughts, emotions, and beliefs) and acting [in accordance] with one’s true self (expressing what you really think and believe and behaving accordingly)” (Gardner, Avolio, Luthans, May, & Walumbwa, 2005: 344-345). By “walking the talk,” authentic leaders are guided by their end values and morals, instead of by rewards or status (Gardner et al., 2005). When an authentic leader violates his/her values or mission, is inconsistent in his/her message to followers, or behaves out of the norm of his/her regular authentic behaviors, this is considered an authenticity breach. A breach of leader authenticity within a close relationship between a leader and his/her followers warrants special attention given that the authentic relationship is based upon openness, high ethical and moral standards, and trust between the leader and his/her followers (Gardner et al., 2005). When a breach occurs, the authentic relationship may be damaged or be less effective. Thus, we advance that a conceptual model of follower effects of leader authenticity breaches. We argue that leader authenticity breaches result in lower levels of the following: follower perceptions of leader authenticity and effectiveness, trust in the leader, identification with the leader, satisfaction with the leader, and affective organizational commitment. Also, we suggest that the relationship between a leader authenticity breach and a lack of follower trust in the leader is moderated by the component of authenticity that is breached as well as the severity of the breach. Thus, this research contributes to the authentic leadership literature by providing a greater understanding of cases in which an authentic leader may be less authentic and the effects of leader authenticity breaches on the authentic relationship, thereby offering information regarding potential boundary conditions of authentic leadership theory.
Roundtables: Alison Hall – Tulane University

“Getting to the good stuff: examining how inclusive leadership impacts the diversity-performance Relationship”

Abstract

Both leadership and diversity have been linked to important workgroup performance outcomes in organizational scholarship. However, the mechanisms by which each of these domains impacts performance remain in their respective proverbial “black box.” Additionally, very little scholarship has considered how these two lines of literature impact each other. This study aims to address those gaps by proposing that workgroup diversity impacts workgroup performance through relational processes at the team level–namely team voice and team silence. Additionally, I propose that inclusive leadership facilitates effective diversity management within workgroups by emboldening all group members to express themselves and discouraging group members from silencing themselves within group decision-making processes. Both of these processes are proposed to aid effective workgroup performance.
“Breaking the ice: The influence of leader humor on employee silence”

Abstract

Leadership plays an important role in affecting whether or not employees dare to speak up at work and express opinions or concerns about organizational issues. The evidence, however, is relatively limited in providing details about this process. Drawing on research on ingratiation in organizations, leader distance, and employee silence, this paper examines the mechanism through which a leader’s use of humor lessens employee silence. In a field study, employees’ exposure to leader-initiated humor is found to reduce their perceived psychological distance from the leader as well as their silence. Moreover, the direct effect of leader humor on employee silence is more pronounced when an employee’s job dissatisfaction is high rather than low. A 2 (leader humor: high vs. low) × 2 (employee job dissatisfaction: high vs. low) laboratory experiment is proposed to support the above findings. The purposes of adding a second study are two-fold. On the one hand, it remedies some of the weaknesses of the first study’s reliance on cross-sectional and self-reported survey data. Additionally, it provides a more rigorous basis for drawing causal conclusions about leader humor and its role in the process of reducing employee silence.

This present research has potential to contribute to leadership theory and organizational silence literature in three aspects. First, leader humor expression is theorized as an ingratiiatory behavior that complements the leadership role to improve organizational functioning. Second, this study helps to better understand the role of psychological distance in the leadership process. Third, I suggest that silence can be effectively broken under the influence of leadership in general and leader humor expression in particular. This challenges recent findings that implicit voice theories are the most powerful predictors of employee silence.

Finally, I discuss the practical implications of this paper. Specifically, I will focus on how leaders can develop their leadership skills to break the silence among their followers so as to achieve greater leadership effectiveness.
Roundtables: Ted Paterson – University of Nebraska - Lincoln

“Creating the conditions for thriving: The role of humble leaders”

Abstract

Recent research indicates that leaders who exhibit humility have a positive impact on the people and the organizations they lead. Recent qualitative research (Owens & Hekman, 2012) found that humble leaders, by openly engaging in the messy process of learning and growing, model how to grow for their followers. Drawing on this research and research on thriving (Spreitzer et al., 2005), the current study proposes that humble leaders create the conditions for followers to engage in learning-oriented agentic behaviors. Specifically, humble leaders promote exploration and feedback seeking behaviors in their followers. These behaviors, in turn, foster feelings of learning and vitality, the two components of thriving, in followers. The findings from this study will contribute to the burgeoning literature on humble leadership and thriving by connecting these two concepts and adding to our understanding of the mechanisms underlying each.
Roundtables: Brandon Vessey – University of Oklahoma

“Looking ahead to NASA leadership research needs for long duration exploration missions: Leadership research program proposal”

Abstract

The NASA Behavioral Health and Performance Research Element is tasked with identifying behavioral health risks that could potentially affect those involved with current and future spaceflight missions, with a significant focus on risks posed by long duration exploration missions. Within this element the three primary research foci are the sleep, behavioral medicine, and team risks. While a number of potential gaps in knowledge have been identified within the team risk, and studies have begun to mitigate these risks, there has been increasing interest in the potential effects of leadership on team and mission performance. Leadership is largely unstudied within the spaceflight environment, and is understudied within acceptable spaceflight analogs such as Antarctic research stations, long duration chambers, and underwater habitats. The goal of this proposal is to lay out an initial research program plan to address the current gaps in knowledge with respect to leadership during long duration exploration in isolated, confined, and extreme environments. The proposed research program is focused on addressing three key issues with respect to teams and long duration exploration missions: level of risk due to poor leadership, identification of key predictors of leader performance for long duration exploration missions, and identification of countermeasures to maintain and improve leader effectiveness in the isolated, confined, and extreme environment associated with a mission outside of low Earth orbit.
“Getting specific about leadership in diverse teams: Leader moderators of information elaboration”

Abstract

It is often noted that organizations are growing more diverse and more team oriented. Team diversity research has tended to focus on intrateam and intrapersonal interactions, while the effect of team leadership gets relatively little attention. When leadership is studied, it is often operationalized with a more traditional and generalized leadership concept (e.g. transformational leadership) that is not well suited for the diverse team setting. In this proposal, I theorize that the concept of leadership in diverse teams needs more specificity than in prior research. As such, I outline two key leader behaviors—leader problem solving and leader support of social climate—as moderators to the collaboration–elaboration model (CEM) of diverse team outcomes (van Knippenberg et al., 2004). First, I hypothesize that leader problem solving should improve information sharing in the group (i.e. moderate the relationship between team diversity and team information elaboration). Second, I hypothesize that leader support of social climate should reduce the effects of social categorization and intergroup bias (i.e. moderate the moderating effect of intergroup bias on the diversity–information elaboration relationship), which should effectively improve information elaboration as well.
Roundtables: Fong Keng – University of Washington

“Applying implicit leadership and followership theories to person-organization fit: How this interaction affects performance over time”

Abstract

This article theorizes that leadership and followership abilities within an individual lie on two independent scales, rather than on one continuum at opposite ends of the spectrum. Furthermore, similarly to individuals, the argument is made that organizations can also value leadership and followership differently as evidenced by its culture, or more granularly, by its departmental culture, team culture, or role needs. Secondly, this article extends Person-Organization fit theory by basing P-O fit on both leadership and followership dimensions to predict positive organizational outcomes over time. Finally, these dimensions are examined through an implicit lens and empirically tested in a four year longitudinal study at a military academy. Results suggest that ILTs and IFTs are independent and that initial impressions may fully mediate the relationship between implicit leadership theory and the end of third year performance.
“The role of managerial age upon employees’ perceptions of leadership”

Abstract

Despite the abundance of studies examining leadership as a construct, the importance of age as it relates to leadership, has largely been ignored. When investigating leadership, most researchers merely use age as a simple control variable, instead of testing to see if age can play a critical role in leadership and managerial development. Even in the research on the upper echelons theory, age is commonly used as a proxy for other variables, such as employee tenure or knowledge.

As a result, when researchers offer advice to managers on how to better perform their duties, researchers may accidentally be offering a viewpoint of management that presents an incomplete picture of the construct of leadership. This study suggests that age, maturity, and appearance play a critical role in not only how effective a manager’s actions are, but additionally how managers are viewed by their subordinates. As a result, individuals who appear younger or less mature are likely to have a harder time gaining the trust and confidence of their employees.
Roundtables: Salar Mesdaghinia – University of Houston

“When do followers support leaders and what difference does it make?”

Abstract

A recent extension of organizational support theory suggests leaders might form general perceptions on how much their workgroups as a whole care about their well-being and value their contributions (perceived follower support) and rely on such perceptions in their subsequent supportive treatment of their workgroups (Eisenberger, Wang, and Mesdaghinia, 2012). Building on this idea, I seek to address three questions: 1) what causes leaders’ to perceive high or low follower support? 2) What are the consequences of leaders’ PFS for leaders’ stress? 3) Does PFS make any difference on the overall performance of the group? It is hypothesized that average workgroup empathy and perceived leader competence of a workgroup as well as congruence between leader’s and workgroup’s conceptions of appropriate follower behavior are associated with leader’s perceived follower support. Perceived follower support, is hypothesized to be negatively associated with leaders’ stress and positively associated with workgroup performance. Leaders perceived follower competence, is hypothesized to moderate the relationships between perceived follower support and leader stress as well as perceived follower support and workgroup performance, such that higher perceived follower competence intensifies the associations. A two-wave field survey is being planned to test these hypotheses.
Abstract

As ethics-related scandals in business, government, sports and other fields continue to make headlines in American media, many are looking to the leadership of these entities to understand why these ethical misconducts have occurred and continue to do so. In response, organizational scholars are examining new styles of leadership that take into account morality. One such theory is ethical leadership which is composed of two dimensions: (1) the moral manager, which describes the exchange between leaders and followers in regards to ethical standards; and (2) the moral person, which identifies the ethical behavior of leaders both in their personal and professional lives.

The purpose of this paper is to further examine the often neglected dimension of ethical leadership, which is the moral person aspect. We do this by measuring observers’ reactions to leader personal and professional moral transgressions and by exploring whether these reactions would vary with specific individual-level and contextual factors.

Our primary goal is to understand what happens in organizations when the general and basic assumption of leader morality is violated. Since there is a convergence between leadership and morality, we are interested in determining the consequences of a leader’s moral person aspect violations in terms of how observers react to these violations. Moreover, we will assess how demographics of the observer, such as gender, and the context of the ethical transgression, such as whether it occurred in a business setting or an educational setting, influence observers’ reactions. We hope that this paper will provide the initial step towards a discourse on the importance of the moral person aspect of ethical leadership.
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