



FIRST FRIDAY LEADERSHIP TALKS

Think Again: Outsmarting Your Brain to Lead Better

March 6, 2026 | 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. | Shaw-Smyser 115 or Zoom



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Effective leadership requires more than instinct—it demands awareness of how cognitive biases and emotional patterns influence decisions. This talk explores the hidden mental shortcuts that can derail good judgment and offers practical tools to develop more intentional, emotionally intelligent decision-making for individuals and teams.

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Dr. Kara Gabriel is a professor of psychology and the current President of United Faculty of Central. A multidisciplinary educator and researcher, her work spans psychology, primatology, and behavioral neuroscience. With more than 20 years of experience in teaching, mentorship, and academic leadership, she is deeply engaged in faculty advocacy, curriculum development, and institutional assessment.

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