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SDM's Dr. Yoly Gonzalez-Stucker Works with Hispanic Leadership Team to Establish Key Roles for Higher Education Leaders during COVID



Dr. Yoly Gonzalez-Stucker, Interim Chair, Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences

Dr. Yoly Gonzalez joins group of academics that reflect on and defines the most successful approaches that presidents, chancellors and others can take to manage crises.

As we're all well aware, the global public health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has presented unprecedented challenges for higher education, among them the need for leadership to quickly respond to the unforeseen multidimensional consequences of the pandemic. In fact, the extent to which colleges and universities manage to protect their constituents, support the community and move forward during and after times of crisis like the pandemic strongly depends on their leaders.

When the pandemic began, we were a team of seven current and emerging leaders from across the State University of New York system who participated in the SUNY Hispanic Leadership Institute program. Due to COVID, the remainder of the program's activities went virtual and continued without jeopardizing its goals. That provided us with an unusual opportunity to reflect on the crisis as leaders and to share our experiences as challenges emerged.

Although extensive literature on leadership skills and practices already exists, here we reflect on and define the main roles of higher education leaders in the time of crisis through the lens of the ongoing global events. Based on our experiences and the current circumstances, we've identified five main roles -- interdependent, equally important and non-hierarchical -- that higher education leaders should include in their tool kits to help them manage and overcome crises.

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Events

[2021/05/14 Prep Designs and Lab Communication](#)

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Self Study Online

[\(Pub.\) 05/20/20 Little Mouths are a Big Deal](#)

[\(Pub.\) 05/27/20 Talk to Your Patients About TMD](#)

[\(Pub.\) 04/29/20 Silver Diamine Fluoride](#)

[\(Pub.\) 06/10/20 Prescribing Controlled Substances \(NYS Mandated\)](#)

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