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UWM Women Leaders Conference – 11 Years of Moving Leadership Forward

MILWAUKEE (February 6, 2020) – UW-Milwaukee's School of Continuing Education will host over 500 participants for the 11th annual Women Leaders Conference on Friday, March 6 from 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. at The Pfister Hotel in downtown Milwaukee. Presented with support from Manpower Group, the conference features keynote speakers fighter pilot Carey Lohrenz and professor, author and TV host Dr. Talithia Williams.

Carey Lohrenz will kick off the conference with a high-powered keynote featuring stories about leading in one of the highest pressure, extreme environments imaginable: in the cockpit at Mach 2. A University of Wisconsin graduate and author of "Fearless Leadership: High-Performance Lessons from the Flight Deck," Carey Lohrenz returns to Wisconsin to share her experience operating as a female F-14 fighter pilot.

Lunch keynote Dr. Talithia Williams is a groundbreaking professor, popular TED speaker, inspiring author and passionate STEM/STEAM advocate. She has made it her life's work to get people of all ages and backgrounds excited about the bold possibilities of a STEM education and to "STEMpower" women and minorities to enter these professions.

The keynote speakers are supported by a robust lineup of breakout sessions and panels that showcase the dynamic possibilities right here within our community. Tracks include Diversity and Inclusion, Innovation and Change, Management and Leadership, Managing Your Career, and Social Responsibility and Sustainability.

The conference is sold out, but those interested can join the waiting list at <https://uwm.edu/sce/conferences/women-leaders/>. Speaker biographies, schedule and images from last year's conference are available at https://uwm.edu/sce/sce_conf_page/2020-women-leaders-conference-schedule/.

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About UWM's School of Continuing Education:

The UWM School of Continuing Education is the largest provider of professional development in southeastern Wisconsin, serving more than 15,000 participants each year and offering over 1,000 programs. As part of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, which is recognized as one of the nation's top research universities, Continuing Education offers individual courses, certificate programs, events and conferences, as well as personal enrichment learning opportunities for all ages. Our full-service conference center, complete with classrooms, computer labs and on-site catering, is located in downtown Milwaukee.