

The former Director of one of the largest university leadership development programs in Canada at the University of Toronto, Drew Dudley nevertheless embraces the idea that "leadership cannot really be taught. It can only be learned."

"I've never thought of what I do as 'teaching' leadership," he says. "For me, it's always been about trying to find a way to help others explore the concept—what it means to them, and to their communities." Dudley helps us understand leadership in a more nuanced, practical, and hopeful way. He argues that we too often make leadership into something bigger than us, or beyond us. We make it about money, fame, titles and influence, and therefore something reserved for a select few. Instead, Dudley insists our organizations and communities are stronger when we embrace the idea there is a form of leadership of which we are all capable. His keynotes blend world-class storytelling with practical insights on how to develop and recognize leadership—in ourselves, our families, our organizations, and our communities.

In Dudley's current role as the Founder and Chief Catalyst of Day One Leadership, he works with organizations around the world to empower people to increase their leadership capacity. His clients have included some of the world's most dynamic companies and organizations, including McDonald's, Dreamworks Animation, Proctor & Gamble, JP Morgan Chase, and over 75 colleges and universities. He has spoken to over 250,000 people on 5 continents, been featured on The Huffington Post, Radio America, Forbes.com, and TED.com, where his TED talk was voted "one of the 15 most inspirational TED talks of all time" and has been viewed millions of times around the web. TIME recently named the talk one of their "seven speeche...

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