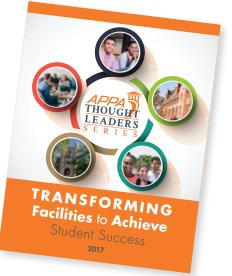
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#### industry news & events

### 2017 Thought Leaders Series: *Transforming Facilities to Achieve Student Success*

The 2017 Thought Leaders report focuses on *Transforming Facilities to Achieve Student Success*. The report makes the case that student success starts with retention and graduation, but it can expand to include factors from personal career goals to social responsibility. A key message from the report is that through strategic investment in their facilities, colleges and universities can support student success, position their campus for the future, and serve as good stewards of campus assets. The report also stresses that the process must reflect the mission and vision of the campus, thus making the greatest impact possible on the college or university's goals.

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#### APPA U—January 2018

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By offering both APPA's highly regarded Institute for Facilities Management and Leadership Academy, APPA U delivers quality professional training in an environment that encourages professional networking and collaboration with other educational facilities professionals—in one location. This approach allows for less travel, easier registration, greater sharing of information, and an excellent opportunity for Institute and Academy attendees to network with each other throughout the week. Both the Institute and Academy are four-track programs held at APPA U twice every year.

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# WASHINGTON DC

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#### Washington, DC *August 3-5, 201*8

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#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **APPA Events**

Dec 3-6, 2017 Women's Leadership Institute, Amelia Island, FL

Jan 21-25, 2018 APPA U (Institute and Academy), Portland, OR

Mar 12-16, 2018 APPA's Supervisor's Toolkit, University of Tennessee, Knoxville,TN

Mar 19-22, 2018

APPA's Supervisor's Toolkit, Radisson Plaza Hotel, Kalamazoo, Ml

#### Jun 11-15, 2018

**APPA's Supervisor's Toolkit,** Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY

#### Aug 3-5, 2018

APPA 2018 Annual Meeting & Exposition, Washington, DC

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