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Andrew Rich is the Richard J. Henley and Susan L. Davis Dean of the Colin Powell School for Civic and Global Leadership and Professor of Political Science at The City College of New York.

The Colin Powell School is home to the social science departments as well as the core leadership development and public service programs at CCNY. Rich joined as Dean in 2019. Since then, enrollments in the Colin Powell School have grown to almost 3,500 students, making it now CCNY's largest student division. Rich has spearheaded a range of new student success and academic initiatives and organized the launch of the first new CUNY institute at CCNY – Leadership for Democracy and Social Justice – and the first new CUNY center at CCNY – the Daniel Patrick Moynihan Center – in more than a decade.

From 2011-2019, Rich was Executive Secretary and CEO of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation, a federal agency that supports young people committed to careers as public service leaders across the United States. Rich is currently Chairman of the Board of Directors of Friends of the Truman Foundation.

Rich is an expert in how research has influence in public policymaking, public affairs, and public debate in the United States. He is the author of *Think Tanks, Public Policy, and the Politics of Expertise* and has written about the role of think tanks and foundations in American politics and policymaking. Beyond his scholarly research, Rich has direct experience leading policy efforts focused on social and economic change in the United States. From 2009-2011, Rich was President & CEO of the Roosevelt Institute, a think tank and leadership development organization based in New York City. During his tenure, the think tank played an important role in guiding national discussions of financial sector reform.

Before 2009, Rich served on the faculty of CCNY, where he was Chair of the Political Science Department and the Deputy Director of the Colin Powell Center, the campus-wide center that was the predecessor of the Colin Powell School. Rich previously taught political science at Wake Forest University. He received his BA from the University of Richmond and his PhD in political science from Yale University.