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Engaging education that unleashes potential at work.

## **Our Mission and Promise**

#### Our mission is to help you build world-class skills, sustained spirit, and community at work.

We help you transform professionals and cultures at work by provoking new thought and an application of what is learned. Rather than passive learning, we believe real development is active and applied.

When you want to develop human capital, talent, and leadership at all levels our suite of seminars offers you a laser-focused approach. We bring the learning to you, on-site and online. Learning must be intriguing, applicable to real-world situations, supported by outcome-based competencies, and generative of practical solutions to immediate problems and long-term plans. Our seminars incorporate all of these components and so much more. They are experiential, interactive provocative, fun, and competency-based.

# The PowerSkills Difference - Our Methodologies

- Workshop formats
- Integration of human behavior insights
- Practice experiences
- Job-related tools
- Easy-to-use models
- Dynamic engaging facilitators
- Group initiatives
- Peer problem-solving and advising
- Guest panels

- Desk reference workbooks
- Individual and team assessments
- Individual and team planning
- Coaching
- Supplemental resources
- Case studies
- Lecturettes
- Meaningful relationship-building activities

# A Unique Learning Experience and Outcome

We strive to make each class the BEST class you have ever attended. Learning should be fun, engaging, practical and transferable. It should make a difference in your real life.

We want to you to EXPERIENCE learning and not passively endure a lecture. Unlike other training companies, we do not offer generic content that can be easily pulled off the web or that students might have had in many other courses. More than 2/3 of our content, models, methods, and tools are custom-designed, original, and trademarked. So, you are guaranteed original content and a unique experience.

We promise outcomes that have the potential of transformation by offering you tangible tools, practical models, useful methods, and activities that enable you to test them all in class.

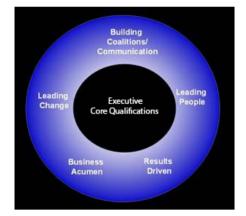
"Wow. Incredible. I was fully prepared for another mandatory, boring training. So, I brought extra work with me. I never got to any of it. You kept all of us engaged from the get-go. I didn't want to do my other work. I learned so much about myself and my team, along with the competencies that I came here to learn. I feel reenergized. Thank you."

- Manager, U.S. Pharmaceutical Company



# **ECQ and OPM Alignment**

While most training businesses and government professionals relegate **Executive Core Qualifications** to SES (Senior Executive Service), PowerSkills believes that ECQs apply to the development of every government professional. Therefore, we reference them and link content to them in every course, so that every government professional realizes that their development is in support of their agency efforts to Lead People, Be Results Driven, Develop Business Acumen, Lead Change, and Build Coalitions.





Competencies offer professionals a common core of knowledge, skills, and abilities; a baseline from which a professional can assess strengths and growth gaps, create developmental and application plans, acknowledge accountabilities, be monitored and evaluated, and receive recognition and rewards. PowerSkills builds each course upon the foundation of Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Competencies. We use the **OPM Framework Fact Sheet** and MOSAIC Framework to design each course so that consistency is offered, standards are established, the bar is raised, and course work can be focused on the development and demonstration of aptitudes.

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"Bob and Jewel, you are a dynamic duo, as facilitators. I have attended dozens of leadership and professional seminars in my career and this was by far and away the best experience – and it was ONLINE. Oh my God. That was shocking. I gained more insights, knowledge and usable tools in one seminar than I have in the last 5 years at work. Thank You. I can't wait to take a class with you in person."

- Experienced Supervisor, U.S. Govt.

# **PowerSkills Courses at a Glance**

Delivery Mode: **O** – Onsite **V** – Virtual

Introductory Courses: Half Day, 1-Day

Comprehensive Courses: 2, 3, 4, 5 Day

TITLE	ID	CATEGORY	MODE	LENGTH
Championing Change	LEAD1032	Change Management	0, V	3-Day
Coaching and Mentoring: Introductory Level	MGMT2031	Coaching and Mentoring	0, V	2-Day
Coaching Models, Skills, and Practices	MGMT2042	Coaching and Mentoring	0, V	2-Day
Mentoring Methods and Skills	LEAD1122	Coaching and Mentoring	0, V	2-Day
Business Communication Intensive	PROF3042	Communication	0, V	3-Day
Effective Communication and Listening Skills	PROF3051	Communication	0, V	2-Day
Effective Communication and Listening Skills - Introduction	PROF3051-1	Communication	V	1-Day
Facilitating Crucial Conversations	MGMT2072	Communication	0, V	2-Day
Facilitating Crucial Conversations – Introduction	MGMT2072-1	Communication	V	1-Day
Conflict Management: The Five Sources of Conflict	LEAD1052	Conflict Management	0, V	3-Day
Conflict Styles	PROF3061	Conflict Management	0, V	2-Day
Facilitating Forgiveness at Work - Introduction	MGMT2082-1	Conflict Management	V	1-Day
Group Norms that Trigger Conflict	MGMT2091	Conflict Management	0, V	3-Day
Critical Thinking	MGMT2211-1	Critical Thinking	V	1-Day
Diversity Inclusion and Appreciation	MGMT2051	Diversity, Inclusion	0, V	2-Day
Diversity Inclusion: Addressing Unconscious Bias	PROF3092	Diversity, Inclusion	0, V	2-Day
Styles at Work	PROF3182	Diversity, Inclusion	0, V	3-Day
Civility, Interpersonal Skills, and Leadership Values	LEAD 1251-1	Leadership	V	1-Day
Communication and Listening Styles - Introduction	LEAD3182-1	Leadership	V	1-Day
Four Dimensions of Leadership	LEAD1071	Leadership	0, V	4-Day
Influence, Power, and Persuasion Skills	LEAD1082	Leadership	0, V	2-Day
Civility, Interpersonal Skills, and Leadership Values Communication and Listening Styles - Introduction Four Dimensions of Leadership	LEAD 1251-1 LEAD3182-1 LEAD1071	Inclusion Leadership Leadership Leadership	V V O, V	1-Day 1-Day 4-Day

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Introductory Courses: Half Day, 1-Day

Comprehensive Courses: 2, 3, 4, 5 Day

TITLE	ID	CATEGORY	MODE	LENGTH
Introduction to Executive Team Rhythms	LEAD1211-1	Leadership	V	1-Day
Leadership and Management for Non- Managers and Aspiring Supervisors	LEAD1091	Leadership	0, V	3-Day
Leadership and Management Styles – Introduction	PROF3182-2	Leadership	V	1-Day
Leadership Styles and Decision-Making at Work	LEAD1102	Leadership	0, V	2-Day
Leadership Vision, Values, Virtues, and Vestiges	LEAD1112	Leadership	0, V	3-Day
Leadership Values	LEAD1112-1	Leadership	V	Half-Day
Leadership Vestiges	LEAD1112-2	Leadership	V	Half-Day
Leadership Virtues Development Planning	LEAD1112-3	Leadership	V	Half-Day
Leadership Visioning	LEAD1112-4	Leadership	V	Half-Day
Leading Up and Managing Up	LEAD1161-1	Leadership	V	1-Day
Negotiation Skills	MGMT2122	Leadership	0, V	2-Day
Servant Leadership	LEAD1071-1	Leadership	V	1 -Day
Situational Leadership	LEAD1071-2	Leadership	V	1-Day
Spirited Leadership	LEAD1071-3	Leadership	V	1 Day
Strategic Leadership	LEAD1071-4	Leadership	V	1-Day
Strategic Thinking, Problem-Solving, and Planning	LEAD1142	Leadership	0, V	3 -Day
Team Leadership and Team Management Styles	PROF3182-3	Leadership	V	1-Day
The Leadership Star <sup>™</sup> Program	LEAD1152	Leadership	0, V	5-Day
Customer Service Excellence	PROF3071	Professional Development	0, V	3 -Day
Emotional Intelligence Skills	PROF3102	Professional Development	0, V	2-Day

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Introductory Courses: Half Day, 1-Day

Comprehensive Courses: 2, 3, 4, 5 Day

TITLE	ID	CATEGORY	MODE	LENGTH
Emotional Intelligence Skills - Introduction	PROF3102-1	Professional Development	V	1-Day
Happiness Factors at Work	PROF3111	Professional Development	0, V	2-Day
Happiness Factors at Work - Introduction	PROF3111-2	Professional Development	V	Half-Day
Organization and Time Management	PROF3140	Professional Development	0, V	2-Day
Relationship and Trust Building Skills	PROF3151	Professional Development	0, V	2-Day
Addressing Burnout and Compassion Fatigue	PROF3031	Stress Management	0, V	2-Day
Addressing Burnout and Compassion Fatigue - Introduction	PROF3171-2	Stress Management	V	Half-Day
Stress Management Calming Practices	PROF3161-1	Stress Management	V	Half-Day
Stress Management Mindfulness Practices	PROF3161	Stress Management	0, V	2-Day
Stress Management Skills	PROF3171	Stress Management	0, V	2-Day
Work Overload, Work Fixation, Work Addiction	PROF3171-3	Stress Management	V	Half-Day
Employee Engagement	MGMT2062-1	Supervision	V	1-Day
Meeting Management Skills	MGMT2101	Supervision	0, V	2-Day
Motivation and Morale and Recognition and Rewards	MGMT2112	Supervision	0, V	2-Day
Performance Management and Planning Skills	MGMT2132	Supervision	0, V	3-Day
Skills for Experienced Supervisors	MGMT2143	Supervision	0, V	5-Day
Skills for New Supervisors	MGMT2152	Supervision	0, V	5-Day
Building and Leading High-Performance Teams	LEAD1022	Team Building	0, V	3-Day
Team Up with Team Building Activities	PROF3131	Team Building	0	2-Day
Team Problem-Solving Introduction	MGMT2112-1	Team Building	V	1-Day
Team Stages and Group Norms	MGMT2091-1	Team Building	V	1-Day
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### **Championing Change**

### Course ID: LEAD1032

### Overview

Receive insights, gain knowledge, and build skills that will enable you to understand, navigate, embrace, and champion change personally, professionally, and organizationally. Understand why change is imminent and ongoing in people and organizations. Learn how to manage change at every level by enhancing communication, challenging resisting forces, confronting denial, developing yourself and others, and motivating all.

### **Objectives**

- 1. Engage in a self-assessment and create an individual development plan for continual learning about change based on three professional leadership competencies.
- 2. Participate in a personal flexibility assessment.
- 3. Forecast changes on the near and far horizon.
- 4. Learn to differentiate between functional and personal change, as well as identifying internal and external change stimuli.
- 5. Receive psychology insights about how change impacts individuals.
- 6. Deeply dive into the model for continuous change and plan your change initiative.
- 7. Use practical planning models to prepare individuals and teams for change initiatives.
- 8. Anticipate and diagnose the blocks and disruptions to your change process and discern practical solutions.
- 9. Identify the 3 phases of change and zero in on the most important stops, starts, and yield actions.
- 10. Use tools to identify fence-sitters and resisters and learn how to motivate movement.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Flexibility Inventory
- Continuous Change Model
- ANKAR Model
- Dispersion-Fluctuation Model

Duration: 3 Days (24 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Intermediate

**Competency**: Change Management

### Classification connection: GS 9-15

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders

- Change Models for Management
- Strategic Thinking, Problem-Solving, and Planning
- PowerSkills Management Coaching or Executive Advising

### Coaching and Mentoring – Introductory Level

### Course ID: MGMT2031

### Overview

Coaches and mentors impact lives. They help people envision goals and achieve aspirations. They trigger new character and career choices. They actively support planning. They offer perspectives and help clients develop solutions and strategies. Our courses help you become the coach and mentor that someone is looking for.

### Objectives

- 1. Understand the difference between coaching and mentoring.
- 2. Review the fundamentals of coaching philosophy and coaching methodologies.
- 3. Examine and practice four coaching models.
- 4. Engage in a self-evaluation based on a list of appropriate and inappropriate coaching behaviors and practices.
- 5. Gain insights about supervisor-as-coach and peer-as-coach.
- 6. Explore the impact of mentoring and how a mentor can affect growth, development, and change.
- 7. Review the specific goals of mentoring and engage in a mentoring moment a one-time, on-the-spot mentoring encounter.
- 8. Share informal short-term mentoring activities to support peers and team members.
- 9. Review formal model of mentoring steps, processes, and activities.
- 10. Practice providing mentoring moments of support.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Peer practice using the framework of four coaching models
- Self-assessment, self-reflection, and personal planning opportunities
- Peer advising, peer coaching, peer problem-solving, and peer planning activities
- Small groupwork exercises

Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Foundation

### Competencies

Coaching Skills

• Mentoring Employees

### Classification connection: GS 7-15

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders

### Coaching Models, Skills, and Practices

### Course ID: MGMT2042

#### Overview

Coaching began at Oxford University at the beginning of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. The process was intended to help underclassmen be shepherded and supported through their courses and exam periods so that they could overcome challenges, achieve the goals set forth during an academic term, and grow in skills and critical thinking abilities. Today, professional coaching – peer coaching and supervisor-employee coaching – has the same intent: to help a professional achieve short-term goals, to support problem analysis and solution generation, to facilitate planning and strategizing, and to help a professional develop skills, thinking abilities, and insights. This course helps professionals learn and practice coaching skills, practices, and models.

### Objectives

- 1. Elevate coaching to a professional competency level.
- 2. Be able to differentiate between coaching, mentoring, counseling, and supervision.
- 3. Know the history of coaching and why coaching is meant to be focused and limited in duration.
- 4. Understand the core goals of all coaching practices.
- 5. Be able to identify behaviors that communicate whether a client is coachable or resistant to coaching.
- 6. Create a professional development plan to build your coaching skills using a B.A.S.K.™ baseline.
- 7. Collaborate with colleagues to generate question menus for coaching encounters.
- 8. Learn and practice 6 models for coaching encounters.
- 9. Use the True Professional<sup>™</sup> model to identify the most common coaching issues.
- 10. Become aware of coaching red flags and no-go zones.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- B.A.S.K.<sup>TM</sup> Model
- Interactive workshop format
- Peer practice using the framework of four coaching models: GROW, IGROW, ACHIEVE, SOLVE
- Peer advising, peer coaching, peer problem-solving, and peer planning activities
- Developmental needs self-assessment using the *True Professional* Model

Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Intermediate

**Competency:** Coaching and Feedback Skills

### Classification connection: GS 7-15

#### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders

- Mentoring Methods and Skills
- Skills for New Supervisors
- Performance Management and Planning Skills

### **Mentoring Methods and Skills**

### Course ID: LEAD1122

#### Overview

Mentors can be powerful transformational figures in a person's life and throughout a career. They can positively impact a person's career trajectory, competency development, confidence level, and character development. It is possible to be a mentor for a lifetime, a mentor for a short time, or a mentor for a moment, merely during a transaction. This course provides participants with fundamental insights, skills, knowledge, and methods for becoming an effective mentor and a receptive mentee.

#### Objectives

- 1. Understand mentoring as a professional competency that can be developed.
- 2. Be able to differentiate between coaching, mentoring, counseling, and supervision.
- 3. Know the history of mentoring and appreciate its intent.
- 4. Be able to identify the characteristics of effective mentors and engaged mentees.
- 5. Develop a B.A.S.K.™ profile for Mentors and mentees and assess strengths and growth gaps.
- 6. Embrace the four transformational cornerstones for mentors.
- 7. Examine and practice a simple 6-part model for mentor relationship development and maintenance.
- 8. Be able to foretell, discover answers to, and learn to prevent red flags in mentoring relationships.
- 9. Get excited about the ten types of mentoring that can be incorporated into any place of work.
- 10. Learn the five program building blocks necessary to stabilize and grow all workplace mentoring programs.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- B.A.S.K. Model
- R.A.I.S.E.E. Model
- Appreciative Inquiry exercises
- Peer mentoring practice

Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Intermediate

**Competency:** Mentoring Employees

### Classification connection: GS 7-15

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders

- Coaching Models, Skills, and Practices
- Coaching and Mentoring: Introductory Level
- Four Dimensions of Leadership

### **Business Communication Intensive**

### Course ID: PROF3042

### Overview

Professionals must be proficient communicators to share information, convey accountability, and build credibility. A professional's oral, written, and personal presence communications convey volumes of information and send messages about intent, priorities, attitude, and interest. This course offers professionals an intensive overview of oral, written, and personal presence communication practices for business transactions.

### Objectives

- 1. Engage in a self-assessment based on OPM written and oral communication competencies.
- 2. Examine verbal, non-verbal, and para-language communication and how slight changes can distort messages.
- 3. Learn about communication filters and why position-based filters can be divisive.
- 4. Analyze the appropriate use of communication tools and platforms IM, email, video conferencing, face-to-face, telephone.
- 5. Discover email formats that make messaging manageable and discuss appropriate email habits.
- 6. Practice writing with concise and precise language.
- 7. Appreciate the extra steps needed to ensure effective communication in virtual work environments.
- 8. Analyze communication needs and flow on a team or in a department.
- 9. Review and practice using four feedback models.
- 10. Explore the basic tenets of public speaking.
- 11. Dealing with disruptive communication behaviors gossip, triangulation, evasion, attacks.
- 12. De-escalation techniques for high-intensity conversations.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- 1-on-1 peer practice opportunities to deliver feedback
- Fishbowl activities to practice de-escalating disruptive and high-intensity conversations
- Self-assessment tools
- Small groupwork initiatives
- Written communication reviews
- Communication icebreakers and activities

Duration: 3 Days (24 hours)

### Modality: Onsite, Virtual

### Level: Intermediate

### Competencies

- Oral communication
- Written communication
- Coaching and feedback

### Classification connection: All

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR and ER professionals
- Supervisors and manager
- Team and peer leaders

- Facilitating Critical Conversations
- Effective Communication and Listening Styles

### **Effective Communication and Listening Skills**

### Course ID: PROF3051

### Overview

"It's not what you say. It's how you say it." Many of us have heard that phrase. Simply stated, it means that to be effective in communication, we must be able to shift styles and habits based on the situations and people we are talking to so that they can hear us. People want to be heard, and sometimes, how we listen and the filters we have in place get in the way of what we hear. This course helps people understand their own and other people's communication and listening styles so that the styles can be developed, shifted, and blended to enhance communication transactions at work and in life.

### Objectives

- 1. Engage in a self-assessment based on oral communication competencies.
- 2. Take a communication styles inventory to discover whether you are an expressive, driver, analytic, or amiable communicator.
- 3. Discover how to develop and display different styles based on situational needs and goals.
- 4. Learn how to blend communication styles on teams and adapt to customer's styles.
- 5. Understand five listening styles and assess your default style for listening.
- 6. Delineate tactics to interrupt unhelpful listening styles when they are being used by others.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Communication styles inventory
- Listening Styles@Work™ Model
- Interactive workshop format
- Peer sharing, peer advising, and peer coaching encounters
- Communication small groupwork activities

### Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Foundation

Competency: Oral Communication

### Classification connection: All

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders

- Business Communication Intensive
- Styles at Work
- Facilitating Crucial Conversations

### Effective Communication and Listening Skills – Introduction

Course ID: PROF3051-1

#### Overview

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#### **Objectives**

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#### **Duration**: 1 Day (8 hours)

Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

- Oral Communication
- Team Building

#### Perfect for

- Executives
- Supervisors

HR and ER professionals
 Managers

**PowerSkills Short Online Courses** provide an introductory overview of our comprehensive courses in workshop-interactive format and are only offered online.

#### **Comprehensive Course**

• Effective Communication and Listening Skills

### **Facilitating Crucial Conversations**

### Course ID: MGMT2072

### Overview

Not all conversations are easy to have. Some conversations trigger fear, nervousness, and trepidation because of the topics, the potential reactions, and the outcomes that might result, or simply because the parties don't know what to say or how to say it. This course provides professionals with a step-by-step approach to planning and facilitating difficult conversations and offers them practice opportunities.

#### Objectives

- 1. Distinguish between a typical, a difficult, and a critical conversation.
- 2. Identify issues and circumstances that trigger the need for critical conversation.
- 3. Name typical reactions and responses to critical conversations and why they are difficult for some people to engage in.
- 4. Learn and practice the H<sup>3</sup> model head, heart, hands for facilitating critical conversations.
- 5. Examine and plan for or practice 8 specific tactics that make critical conversations much easier to manage.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- H3 Model for planning and facilitating difficult conversations
- Role play and case study exercises
- Front-loading and smoothing conversational tactics
- Conversation planning opportunities
- Peer advising and peer coaching activities
- Small groupwork exercises

### Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

### Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Intermediate

### Competencies

- Conflict Management
- Oral Communication
- Coaching and Feedback

### Classification connection: GS 7-15

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders

- Business Communication Intensive
- Comprehensive Team Problem-Solving
- Conflict Management: The Five Sources of Conflict
- Facilitating Forgiveness at Work
- Relationship and Trust Building Skills

### **Facilitating Crucial Conversations- Introduction**

### Course ID: MGMT2072-1

### Overview

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- 3. Name typical reactions and responses to critical conversations and why they are difficult for some people to engage in.
- 4. Learn and practice the H<sup>3</sup> model head, heart, hands for facilitating critical conversations.
- 5. Review 8 specific tactics that make critical conversations much easier to manage.

#### Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

#### Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

- Conflict Management
- Oral Communication

### Perfect for

- Executives
- Supervisors

- HR and ER Professionals
- Team and Peer Leaders
- Managers

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#### **Comprehensive Course**

• Facilitating Crucial Conversations

### Conflict Management: The Five Sources of Conflict

### Course ID: LEAD1052

### Overview

Conflict can be a trigger for chaos, or it can highlight issues that, if addressed, can strengthen relationships and workplace culture. For conflict to be productive, it must be properly diagnosed and dealt with. There are five underlying sources for all types of conflict at home, at work, and around the world. The savvy leader is skilled at diagnosing these sources of conflict at work. This course helps leaders understand sources of conflict and develop responses and interventions that make sense.

### Objectives

- 1. Review the OPM conflict management competency.
- 2. Understand the psychological underpinnings of all conflicts at work and in life.
- 3. Examine the nature of intra-personal conflicts and the individual actions that can be taken to mitigate intrapersonal conflicts.
- 4. Learn about the four most common features of interpersonal conflicts and how to take preventative action.
- 5. Delve into program-project related conflicts and assess how they might be affecting a team.
- 6. Use a model to assess organizationally sponsored conflicts that spill over into work groups and plan effective responses.
- 7. Become aware of how external community-cultural dynamics can foment conflict at work and how to anticipate and minimize the effects.
- 8. Use the five sources model to methodically diagnose real-world conflicts occurring at work and generate practical resolutions and management strategies.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Five Sources of Conflict Model
- Appreciative Inquiry exercises
- Peer advising and peer coaching activities

Duration: 3 Days (24 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Competency: conflict management

Level: Intermediate

### Classification connection: GS 9-15

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders

- Conflict Styles
- Facilitating Forgiveness at Work
- PowerSkills Management Coaching or Executive Advising

### **Conflict Styles**

### Course ID: PROF3061

### Overview

All conflict begins as tension within a person, and tension arises when there are disconnects between what is needed and wanted and what is received, disconnects between what is promised and what is delivered, disconnects between desired and expected and what occurs. Disconnects trigger deep disappointments and upsets, and upsets trigger conflicts. How people respond to a conflict will determine whether a conflict is resolved amicably or resolved at all. This course provides professionals with opportunities to understand the nature of conflict, explore a variety of conflict style responses, and apply those styles to real-world conflict situations.

### Objectives

- 1. Review the OPM conflict management competency.
- 2. Assess your comfortability and receptivity to conflict encounters.
- 3. Partake in a conflict styles survey to identify how you tend to react and respond to conflicts
- 4. Learn about 5 conflict styles competition, collaboration, cooperation, accommodation, avoidance.
- 5. Discern when to use each conflict style based on situational needs and goals.
- 6. Delineate the consequences of dependency on one style.
- 7. Learn how to develop and blend styles within individuals during conflict encounters.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Conflict styles inventory
- Interactive workshop format
- Peer sharing, peer advising, and peer coaching encounters
- Interactive workshop format
- Peer sharing, peer advising, and peer coaching encounters

**Duration**: 2 Days (16 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Foundation

Competency: Conflict Management

### Classification connection: All

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Conflict Management: The Five Sources of Conflict
- Group Norms that Trigger Conflict
- Emotional Intelligence Skills
- Effective Communication and Listening Skills
- Styles at Work

### Facilitating Forgiveness at Work - Introduction

### Course ID: MGMT2082-1

#### Overview

Conflict management doesn't end with a simple resolution or through a managed mediation process. That is because, long after a conflict occurs, emotional pain and hurt feelings linger. After hurt happens, many people move forward, but they don't ever let go of the past. They carry the hurt, resentment, pain, and grief into every future encounter. Conflict management and conflict mediation processes get at solutions and agreements to resolve transactional conflicts, but they don't address the emotional issues that cause ongoing blame, shame, distrust, and division at work. Only forgiveness processes can help people release the past for good and begin anew. This comprehensive course helps professionals gain a deep understanding of what forgiveness means and entails and how to facilitate a forgiveness process at work.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Differentiate between conflict management practices and forgiveness facilitation practices.
- 2. Understand how unforgiveness freezes emotions, thoughts, perspectives, and behaviors in unproductive states.
- 3. Examine fundamental steps in the forgiveness process and how to facilitate various steps in the process.

#### **Duration**: 1 Day (8 hours)

Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

- Conflict Management
- Emotional Intelligence Skills

### Perfect for

- Supervisors
   Managers
   Executives
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#### **Comprehensive Course**

• Facilitating Forgiveness at Work

### **Group Norms that Trigger Conflict**

### Course ID: MGMT2091

#### Overview

Norms are patterns and habits that settle in place and become accepted. They may be helpful or unhelpful, functional or dysfunctional, and healthy or unhealthy, but for a variety of reasons, a person or team allows norms, over time, to settle in place. Particular norms automatically trigger conflict, which can easily be prevented with agreements and simple interventions. This course offers teams and leaders the opportunity to address a series of specific norms that occur in all groups and generate prevention and intervention strategies.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Understand the nature of conflict.
- 2. Identify common underlying causes of workplace conflicts.
- 3. Use conflict continuums to examine 8 triggers of tension and conflict on teams.
- 4. Prepare team and meeting agreements that will help prevent conflict continuum triggers.
- 5. Learn how an individual's sense of safety, security, and belonging impacts the possibility of conflict at work.
- 6. Develop a set of activities and plans to enhance the culture of safety and security on a team to reduce individual tension and conflict.
- 7. Ascertain how players and stimuli external to a team can instigate conflict within a team and plan for prevention and intervention.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Conflict Continuum model
- Hierarchy of Need model
- Interactive workshop format
- Team agreement development
- Peer advising and peer coaching activities
- Small groupwork exercises

**Duration**: 3 Days (24 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Foundation – Intermediate

**Competency:** Conflict Management

#### Classification connection: All

#### Perfect for

- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Conflict Management: The Five Sources of Conflict course
- Conflict Styles course
- Team Reset: Group Problem-Solving course
- Relationship and Trust Building course
- Team Up to Promote Performance, Development, and Support

### **Critical Thinking**

### Course ID: MGMT2211-1

### Overview

Effectively, critical thinking is a mindset that enables you to reach opinions and make informed decisions through a balanced and objective analysis of the available facts. Critical thinking uses logic, reason, and rationale in place of bias, manipulation, and emotion. This course is designed to provide you with techniques to assist you in adopting a growth mindset, dealing effectively with others, and thinking through decisions. It will also help you resolve everyday challenges in the workplace and your daily life.

### Objectives

- 1. Define critical thinking and the characteristics and skills of a critical thinker.
- 2. Review and engage in common thinking styles: critical, creative, strategic, systems, and tactical.
- 3. Apply critical thinking skills to rapid problem-solving.
- 4. Objectively and critically determine criteria for decision-making.
- 5. Use specific tools to engage in assessment, analysis, project, and organization planning.

**Duration**: 1 Day (8 hours)

Modality: Virtual

Competencies

- Critical Thinking
- Strategic Thinking
- Systems Thinking

Classification connection: GS 5-15

### Diversity Inclusion and Appreciation

### Course ID: MGMT2051

### Overview

Diversity itself is one of four core building blocks for all strong, sustainable cultures at work: diversity, values, shared leadership, and engagement. Without vibrant diversity, meaningful inclusion, and demonstrable appreciation, individuals and teams fall back on groupthink behaviors, limited perspectives, and a false self-assuring assumption of openness, fairness, and equity. This course creates a dynamically safe, inclusive culture in class, allowing participants to gain personal insights, assess the value and opportunities for diversity at work, look at stumbling blocks, and generate solutions and strategies for inclusion within teams.

### **Objectives**

- 1. Review the OPM Leveraging Diversity competency and articulate the business case for diversity inclusion and appreciation.
- 2. Engage in safe, meaningful, diversity and cultural conversations.
- 3. Understand how common values and virtues are found within all people and underlie all diversity work within ourselves and conversations with others.
- 4. Review the Creation Cycle and its application to professional growth related to diversity education.
- 5. Explore dimensions and characteristics of diversity within the workplace environment using the Diversity Wheel.
- 6. Review specific definitions of behaviors, issues, and dynamics associated with diversity using the Diversity Straight Talk definition list.
- 7. Describe diversity resistance red flag behaviors and practices.
- 8. Use the Diversity Continuum to plan for diversity inclusion, understanding, acceptance and appreciation on teams.
- 9. Review and brainstorm tactics for integrating diversity initiatives into everyday workforce cultures and practices and not simply relegating them to a day or month per year.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Diversity Wheel and Diversity Continuum models for personal and team planning
- Peer sharing, peer coaching, peer problem-solving activities
- Small group planning exercises

Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Foundation

Competency: Leveraging Diversity

### Classification connection: All

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

### Course ID: PROF3092

### Overview

Bias is a fact of human existence. It is not unique to one group or another. A person can be biased towards someone or biased against someone or something. Bias, however, changes choices, decisions, attitudes, and behaviors. Therefore, it also impacts policy, procedures, and professional practices. This course helps professionals understand the nature of unconscious and implicit bias at work within people and in organizations. It identifies specific forms of unconscious bias and offers professionals tangible tools and opportunities to address bias at work.

### Objectives

- 1. Review a professional competency for Leveraging Diversity
- 2. Take an Implicit Assessment survey and review the results
- 3. View the Diversity Wheel and assess comfort levels with all forms of diversity
- 4. Understand the nature and the psychological underpinnings of unconscious and implicit bias
- 5. Become familiar with 7 types of human bias common to all people
- 6. Review examples of overt, unconscious, and implied diversity bias at work
- 7. Describe characteristics, behavioral cues, and clues of implicit bias at places of work
- 8. Learn about common triggers of unconscious bias
- 9. Explore tactics and strategies to address unconscious bias within oneself and groups
- 10. Develop plans to correct bias-based aspects of organizational processes, programs, and practices

#### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Engage in a Trusted 10 self-assessment activity
- Participate in a fun everyday bias activity to comfortably identify charisma biases, affinity biases, etc.
- Self-reflection, self-assessment, and personal change planning exercises
- Group and organizational assessment, problem-solving, and planning activities
- Peer sharing and peer advising encounters

**Duration**: 2 Days (16 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Intermediate

#### Competency: Leveraging Diversity

### Classification connection: All

#### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Diversity Inclusion and Appreciation
- Intergenerational Sensitivity at Word course
- Styles at Work course

### **Styles at Work**

### Course ID: PROF3182

### Overview

You've got style, and style matters a lot at work! No, not fashion styles. Communication styles, leadership styles, conflict styles, management styles, personality styles, learning styles, thinking styles, listening styles – all of these matter at work because all of these styles directly affect and impact relationships, team interactions, meeting management and engagement, project planning, employee development, and organization culture. This course provides professionals with a detailed, engaging, comprehensive opportunity to get to know themselves like no other course available. Professionals get to know their styles as well as their colleagues' styles, how to blend them, and develop all styles more fully.

### Objectives

- 1. Understand how styles affect workplace culture, relationships, and productivity.
- 2. Learn about the difference between neurologic-cognitive styles and behavioral-transactional styles.
- 3. Gain insights about two personality styles introversion and extroversion what each means, the impact of each on a person's comfort zones at work, and how each can be modulated within a person when necessary.
- 4. Examine and assess individual work styles using the 4-Gets framework.
- 5. Review thinking styles that are essential to teamwork, leadership, and individual success at work: critical thinking, creative thinking, strategic thinking, and systems thinking.
- 6. Understand the six different management styles, the impacts and consequences of each style, and when each should be used.
- 7. Explore learning styles and understand how to adapt presentations and 1-on-1 interactions so that messages are matched to a person's learning style.
- 8. Review five conflict management styles and how to modulate styles and overcome fears of conflict in various situations.
- 9. Review and assess communication and listening styles, learning how to adapt them during interactions with various types of people.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Style discovery inventories, games, and self-reflection

**Duration**: 3 Days (24 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Intermediate

### Competencies

- Leveraging Diversity
- Strategic Thinking
- Learning

### Classification connection: All

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

• Critical and Creative Thinking

Systems Thinking

Leadership

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- Oral Communication
- Psychology
- Conflict Management

### Civility, Interpersonal Skills, and Leadership Values

### Course ID: LEAD1251-1

#### Overview

A civil and respectful workplace is related to greater job satisfaction, feelings of fairness, and an overall positive environment. It is also linked to improved morale and teamwork and better supervisor-staff relationships. A recent EEOC Task Force on Harassment recommended that employers consider implementing workplace civility training for all personnel and levels of leadership to promote a positive culture at work, prevent harassment and bullying, and reduce incidents of unprofessional and illegal behavior in the workplace.

Additionally, workers tend to be more invested in personal development and actively participate in problemsolving. A civil and respectful workplace has lower levels of sick leave and turnover. Organizations characterized by civility and respect have a positive atmosphere marked by high spirits and work satisfaction and enhanced positive client and customer interactions. This seminar uses three OPM competencies as a springboard into lessons and practices for creating a civil workplace.

#### Objectives

- 1. Review OPM competencies that specifically support civility at work.
- 2. Identify and operationalize core team and workgroup values so that they are defined, observable, measurable, and able to be rewarded when acted upon.
- 3. Explore behaviors that determine levels of respect and civility during transactions
- 4. Learn how to reset behaviors and cultures at work.

Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

#### Modality: Virtual

### Competencies

- Interpersonal Skills
- Integrity/Honesty

Team Building

### Perfect for

- Supervisors
- Team Members

Managers

• Executives

### **Communication and Listening Styles**

### Course ID: LEAD3182-1

#### Overview

You've got style, and style matters a lot at work! Communication and listening styles matter at work because they directly affect and impact supervisory meetings, peer relationships, team interactions, probleminterpretation, planning, overall satisfaction, and organization culture. This workshop provides leaders with an introduction to communication and listening styles: what they are, how they're developed, when to use each style, the effects of each style, and how to blend them. Professionals get to know their styles so they can begin to create an initial roadmap for style development, restraint, and blending at work.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Review professional competencies pertinent to the development of communication and listening styles.
- 2. Use a communication styles tool to review and assess four communication styles, their benefits, situational application, and consequences.
- 3. Review six listening styles that impact communication transactions, filters, and relationships.
- 4. Develop a framework for a personal style development and adjustment plan.

### Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

#### Modality: Virtual

### Competencies

- Oral Communication
- Interpersonal Skills

### Perfect for

- Supervisors
- Teams

ManagersAll Employees

Executives

### Four Dimensions of Leadership

### Course ID: LEAD1071

### Overview

There are thousands of books and theories on the topic of Leadership. However, all of the content, principles, models, and practices of leadership fall into four categories called Dimensions of Leadership. This course explores the Four Dimensions of Leadership: *Spirited Leadership* – encompassing ethics, values, virtues, and principles; *Servant Leadership* – shifting paradigms and creating cultures of service at work; *Situational Leadership* – enabling a leader to quickly analyze every situation and encounter, and respond appropriately and effectively; and *Strategic Leadership* – providing the tools and perspectives that leaders need to plan for the future and position their people for success.

### Objectives

- 1. Determine the core leadership principles and practices for implementation by all leaders at work.
- 2. Discern and create a personal growth plan for leadership virtues.
- 3. Define and describe how leadership values will be woven into the organization culture.
- 4. Understand the impact of servant leadership practices on work group cultures.
- 5. Plan for peer support initiatives that will ensure engagement among team members.
- 6. Participate in group activities that help develop situational leadership tools and abilities.
- 7. Review and apply strategic leadership tools and models to develop initial plans for succession, development, and change.

### Format models, tools, and activities

- Self-assessment, self-reflective, personal planning exercises
- Workshop format with small group activities
- Planning for change assignments
- Preliminary course self and team assessments

### Duration: 4 Days (32 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Advanced

### Competencies

- Leading People
- Integrity/Honesty
- Accountability
- Interpersonal Skills

### Classification connection: GS 9-15

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- Supervisors and managers

- The Leadership Star<sup>™</sup> Program
- Styles at Work

- Fostering Employee Engagement
- Team Building
- Problem-Solving
- Adaptability/Flexibility

- Leading Change
- Strategic Thinking
- Vision
- Decisiveness

### Influence, Power, and Persuasion Skills

### Course ID: LEAD1082

### Overview

We all have power in the workplace. It may not feel like we do at times, but that feeling does not diminish our actual power. Those who recognize their power, develop it and use it to effectively influence outcomes, negotiate task agreements and work area dynamics, and persuade others to consider new points of view. Everyone has these abilities and powers. This course helps participants become fully aware of the power, skills, and abilities related to influencing and persuasion of others at work.

### Objectives

- 1. Gain knowledge of strategies, practices, and behaviors that enhance a leader's abilities to influence, persuade, and negotiate.
- 2. Learn how to engage in conscious self and situational assessment so that a leader can employ situationspecific skills.
- 3. Identify behaviors in others that can inform a leader's choice of influencing, negotiation, persuasion, or partner practices.
- 4. Sources of Power: legitimate, referent, information, expertise, coercive, reward.
- 5. Influencing Strategies: personal appeal, pressure tactic, ingratiation, consultation, inspirational appeal, coalition tactic, leading by example.
- 6. Persuasion Abilities: demonstrations of competencies, situational awareness, consequences, other people's viewpoints, servant leadership, creative thinking, and strategic thinking abilities.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Peer advising, peer coaching, and peer planning activities
- Role Play and Appreciative Inquiry exercises
- 10 Levers of Power
- 8 Influencing Tactics
- 8 Persuasion Practices

#### **Duration**: 2 Days (16 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Intermediate

### Competencies

- Influencing/Negotiation
- Oral Communication

### Classification connection: GS 7-15

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Aspiring and emerging leaders

- Business Communication Intensive
- Communication and Listening Styles
- Negotiation Skills

### Introduction to Executive Team Rhythms

### Course ID: LEAD1211-1

### Overview

Does your Executive Team have an operating rhythm? When an Executive Team Rhythm is in sync, the team is unified and cohesive in its operations. The team speaks and acts with one voice. The team's operational rhythm builds and sustains employee trust in leadership decisions, strategies, and directives. The team's executive members are engaged in self-improvement and development, continuously growing their leadership skills and supporting the development of colleagues and staff members. The team bases its decision-making and problem-solving on facts, priorities, and goals instead of on emotions, personalities, headlines, or temporary trends. The team of executives demonstrates the consistency of professional behavior, communication, and analysis with all stakeholders. The team builds credibility and a positive reputation internally and externally.

Is your executive team in rhythm? Is every executive in step with all other executives...in their decisionmaking, styles, and communication? Are all executives in sync with your principles, philosophies, and practices of leadership? Or has the executive team lost its rhythm? This course reviews key building blocks for creating and sustaining an executive team rhythm and sets the stage for executive team development strategies.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Prioritize developing common unified objectives, purpose, and needs.
- 2. Define changes in division and organization leadership roles and responsibilities.
- 3. Identify team cohesion and collaboration challenges.
- 4. Consider standardized management practices, philosophies, and agreements.
- 5. Review six rhythm practices.

### Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

### Modality: Virtual

### Competencies

• Team Building

• Vision

### Perfect for

• Managers

• Executives

### Leadership and Management for Non-Managers and Aspiring Supervisors Categories

Category: Leadership

### Course ID: LEAD1091

#### Overview

Leadership is not contingent on a title or status within an organization. One can be a manager or director and not be a leader. One can also be a 'newbie' and have a very low GS ranking yet demonstrate tremendous leadership among peers, customers, community members, and senior people in the organization. Leadership is about one's qualities, character, and behaviors, not about one's job description. This course is designed to help everyone assess her/his leadership abilities and capacities while also practicing specific leadership skills.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Understand core presuppositions, purpose, principles, and paradigms for effective leadership regardless of level within an organization.
- 2. Determine the behaviors, attitudes, skills, and knowledge that are necessary for effective leadership for peer leaders.
- 3. Review and develop OPM leadership competencies for non-managers and aspiring supervisors.
- 4. Assess communication transactions and learn to clean communication filters.
- 5. Consider a few best practices for written communication.
- 6. Participate in peer problem-solving and practice using problem-solving tools.
- 7. Examine the sources of conflicts at work and understand conflict styles.
- 8. Explore interpersonal values that impact workplace cultures.
- 9. Engage in the evaluation of teams and units.
- 10. Participate in peer presentations and learn about public service motivation, accountability, and decisionmaking.

#### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Peer advising practice and peer teaching activities
- Self-assessment and individual development planning
- Small group activities

**Duration**: 3 Days (24 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Foundation

#### Competencies

- Team Building
- Technical Credibility
- Conflict Management
- Problem-Solving

### Classification connection: GS 5-11

#### Perfect for

- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Decisiveness
- Continual Learning
- Public Service Motivation
- Accountability

- Interpersonal Skills
- Oral Communication
- Integrity/Honesty
- Written Communication

### Leadership and Management Styles - Introduction

### Course ID: PROF3182-2

### Overview

You've got style, and style matters a lot at work! Leadership styles and management styles matter at work because they directly affect and impact relationships, team interactions, meeting management and engagement, project planning, employee development, and organization culture. This workshop provides leaders with an introduction to leadership and management styles: what they are, how they're developed, when to use each style, the effects of each style, and how to blend them. Professionals get to know their styles so they can begin to create an initial roadmap for style development, restraint, and blending at work.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Differentiate between leadership skills, styles, and preferences.
- 2. Review three leadership styles along with associated characteristics, conditions and criteria for use, and consequences.
- 3. Explore six management styles, their purpose, practices associated with each, and the consequences of getting stuck in a style.
- 4. Develop a framework for a personal style development and adjustment plan.

#### Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

#### Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

Leading Others
 Leading Change
 Decision-Making
 Perfect for

 Supervisors
 Managers
 Executives

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#### **Comprehensive Course**

• Styles at Work

### Leadership Styles and Decision-Making at Work

### Course ID: LEAD1102

### Overview

What you know and can do got you where you are right now. How you lead others will get everyone to a point of success. Your leadership style matters. It can attract loyalty, or it can repel and trigger disengagement. There are many leadership styles. All of them are appropriate depending on the situation, the need, the goal, and the group dynamics. All can be used effectively, and all can be abused. Each triggers a different type of decision-making on the part of a leader. So, leaders must be well-versed in decision-making practices and criteria discernment. This course helps leaders discern and blend styles of leadership and develop effective decision-making practices.

### Objectives

- 1. Learn about three fundamental leadership styles: autocratic, democratic, organic.
- 2. Engage in a self-assessment to determine one's default leadership style.
- 3. Identify situations when each style is appropriate, as well as the benefits and consequences of each style.
- 4. Consider real-world plans, encounters, and meetings and how to blend leadership styles for maximum effect.
- 5. Review the universal building blocks for effective decision-making.
- 6. Discern criteria for professional decision-making.
- 7. Practice decision-making processes with peers.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Self-assessment, self-reflection, and personal planning activities
- Small group decision-making exercises
- Decision-Making Wheel Model
- Leadership style case studies

**Duration**: 2 Days (16 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Intermediate

### **Competencies:**

• Decisiveness

- Adaptability/Flexibility
- Decision Support

### Classification connection: GS 7-15

### Perfect for

- Executive Leaders
- Supervisors and Managers
- Project Managers
- Emerging and Aspiring Leaders

- The Leadership Star<sup>™</sup> Program
- Influence, Power, and Persuasion Skills
- Building and Leading High-Performance Teams
- Adaptability, Flexibility, and Resilience Practices

### Leadership Vision, Values, Virtues, and Vestiges

### Course ID: LEAD1112

### Overview

Character – values and virtues – matter! Ask anyone who has worked in an organization in which the values and virtues of quality leadership character have been slowly diminished over time or eviscerated suddenly. Morale plummets, productivity decreases, departures rise, and tension increases. When character is absent, relegated to a secondary status of unimportance, or diminished in any way, a leader, a team, and an entire organization lose reputation, credibility, confidence, and the capability to fulfill its mission and achieve its goals. Vision inspires, and so a leader must have and engender vision, values, and virtues at work. However, the leader cannot stop there. Vestiges must also be taken into consideration. Vestiges are remnants of the past, things that were once traditional or useful but that are now antiquated, unhelpful, or even offensive. Leaders must evaluate the vestiges within organizations and get rid of them. This course helps leaders generate visions, integrate values, build virtues, and erase vestiges.

### Objectives

- 1. Develop a vision for a team or organization.
- 2. Create a vision for leadership growth and development with action planning components.
- 3. Receive feedback and advice from peers to strengthen proposed visions.
- 4. Evaluate instances of value-voids that triggered tension, conflict, diminished teamwork, or less productivity.
- 5. Identify, define, behavioralize, and practically operationalize values for the workplace culture
- 6. Assess virtue strengths and growth gaps.
- 7. Prepare a virtue plan of action to demonstrate virtues on-the-job.
- 8. Analyze processes, policies, and procedures that represent vestiges that should be changed.
- 9. Stop engaging in vestige leadership practices that are unhelpful, unhealthy, or unproductive.

### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Self-assessment, self-reflection, and personal planning opportunities

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- Peer advising, peer coaching, peer problem-solving, and peer planning activities
- Small groupwork exercises

Duration: 3 Days (24 hours)

### Modality: Onsite, Virtual

### Level: Intermediate

### Competencies

- Vision
- Accountability

- Integrity/Honesty
  - Conscientiousness
- Interpersonal Skills
- Team Building

### Classification connection: GS 11-15

### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- Supervisors and managers

### **Leadership Values**

### Course ID: LEAD1112-1

### Overview

Values form the foundation for every culture, every relationship, and every agreement. Many teams and leaders are off to a great start when they talk about values. Some values are posted on walls where they only gather dust and are barely noticed. For values to make a difference, they must be lived and woven into the daily practices of professionals and teams. They must be measurable and measured, recognized and rewarded, reinforced and front-loaded during all encounters. This workshop offers practical approaches for bringing values to life on teams and across organizations.

#### Objectives

- 1. Engage in a values identification and display assessment.
- 2. Explore ways of weaving values into employee onboarding, orientation, and training.
- 3. Examine the integration of values into mission statements and meetings.
- 4. Discuss how to redirect behavior that does not represent expected values

#### Duration: Half-Day (4 hours)

Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

Leading Change
 Leading Others
 Team Building
 Perfect for

 Supervisors
 Managers
 Executives

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#### **Comprehensive Course:**

• Leadership Vision, Values, Virtues and Vestiges

### **Leadership Vestiges**

### Course ID: LEAD1112-2

#### Overview

Vestiges are remnants of a previous age that once had value and rationale but which no longer have a use or worth. Leaders can hold onto vestiges of the past, sometimes because of traditions, sometimes because of comfort zones, and sometimes simply because getting rid of them means making change, and change can be turbulent. Holding onto old processes and procedures, old forms, old traditions, and especially old leadership habits and practices causes frustration, overload, disengagement, and resentment among stakeholder groups. This workshop divides vestiges into 4 categories and helps leaders understand the nature of their vestiges, which ones must be released, and how to let go of the past.

### Objectives

- 1. Review four categories of vestiges seen in all organizations.
- 2. Determine leadership practice and behavior vestiges that must be changed.
- 3. Discuss team or organization cultural vestiges that inhibit engagement and retention.
- 4. Explore meeting and tradition vestiges to receive ideas about changing formats and traditions to meet new hopes and needs.
- 5. Consider process, tool, and procedure vestiges that may need further review and change.

### Duration: Half-Day (4 hours)

Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

Leading Change
 Leading Others
 Team Building

#### Perfect for

• Supervisors

Managers

Executives

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### **Comprehensive Course:**

• Leadership Vision, Values, Virtues and Vestiges

### Leadership Virtues Development Planning

### Course ID: LEAD1112-3

#### Overview

Virtues are standards of character. They form a leader's internal ethical and moral compass and are absolutely essential for situational assessment, decision-making, and engaging in personal action steps. Virtues such as courage, conviction, forgiveness, and fortitude take center stage during conflicts, critical conversations, risk management, stretch goal attainment, and championing change. This workshop turns a leader's attention inward to focus squarely on understanding, assessing, and planning for virtue strengthening.

#### Objectives

- 1. Review 24 leadership virtues that impact leadership perceptions, decision-making, and character on a daily basis.
- 2. 2 Engage in a virtues self-assessment to determine strengths and growth gaps.
- 3. Develop a virtue development and demonstration plan.
- 4. Discuss ways in which leaders communicate virtues and use virtues to frame common interpersonal and team-related challenges.

**Duration**: Half-Day (4 hours)

#### Modality: Virtual

#### Competency:

• Leading Others

Integrity/Honesty

#### Perfect for

- Supervisors
   Managers
- Executives

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#### **Comprehensive Course:**

• Leadership Vision, Values, Virtues and Vestige

### Leadership Visioning

### Course ID: LEAD1112-4

#### Overview

Leaders may, at times, move forward and begin to take action without having an end in mind. Doing so achieves only immediate or short-term objectives instead of long-term goals or transformation. There is a saying, "a vision without a plan is a fantasy, and a plan without a vision is a nightmare." Visioning is not something that is just nice to do every once in a while. It is central to planning, the inspiration of others, change management and engagement. Visioning is an abstract thinking practice, one that all strategic, servant, situational, and systems leaders must develop.

#### Objectives

- 1. Learn why and how leadership visioning is pivotal to successful leadership endeavors.
- 2. Engage in personal practices that stimulate visioning.
- 3. Discuss methods and tools that engage others in collaborative visioning exercises.

#### **Duration**: Half-Day (4 hours)

Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

Leading Change
 Leading Others
 Team Building
 Perfect for

 Supervisors
 Managers
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### **Comprehensive Course:**

• Leadership Vision, Values, Virtues and Vestiges

# Leading Up and Managing Up

# Course ID: LEAD1161-1

# Overview

Every leader needs people who can effectively and respectfully lead them and manage them from below. Leaders benefit from employees who are committed to ethically, systematically, and situationally leading the leader and managing up. This helps the lead stay focused, address priorities, generate ideas, sustain enthusiasm, and promote engagement. This workshop offers an overview of the purpose, principles, and specific practices designed to ethically and effectively lead upwards and manage up.

# Objectives

- 1. Understand the ethical and practical imperatives that support leading and managing up practices at work.
- 2. Explore eight principles for leading and managing up.
- 3. Review a list of queries that help employees and supervisors assess the real needs and work-world of midlevel and senior leaders.
- 4. Review 10 steps in the managing up process and generate lists of specific actions and habits associated with each step.

**Duration**: 1 Day (8 hours)

# Modality: Virtual

# Competencies

Leading Others

- Influence/Negotiation
- Persuasion

# Perfect for

- Supervisors
- Teams

- Managers
- All Employees

Executives

# **Negotiation Skills**

# Course ID: MGMT2122

# Overview

Negotiations can seem tough because many are set up to be purely transactional instead of trusting, collaborative, and service-centered. When negotiations are only transactional or positional, and a party is thinking of what they want and of only their bottom-line, then they do not lead to trust, long-term loyalty, or extra stretches of service. This course provides professionals with comprehensive underpinnings, models, methods, practices, and tools for service-centered negotiation encounters, as well as insights that enable a professional to see manipulative negotiation tactics a mile away.

# **Objectives**

- 1. Differentiate between self-centered and other-centered negotiation models.
- 2. Understand the importance of trust-building during negotiation processes and practices that build trust.
- 3. Review the characteristics of hard and soft negotiations and the impacts of both.
- 4. Become aware of the dangers of positional negotiations.
- 5. Practice defending against manipulative negotiation jujitsu tactics.
- 6. Make a plan for successful negotiations using 7 elements of success.
- 7. Assess the knowledge of stakeholders in negotiations to understand motivating factors.
- 8. Examine and build a foundation for ethical negotiations at all times.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Case study activities
- Roleplay, fishbowl, and appreciative activities
- Peer advising and peer coaching encounters
- Negotiation planning time

# Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Intermediate

Competency: Influencing/Negotiation

# Classification connection: GS 5-15

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers

- Influence, Power, and Persuasion Skills
- Facilitating Critical Conversations
- Relationship and Trust Building
- Communication and Listening Styles at Work
- Motivation and Morale-Building, and Recognition and Rewards Practices

# Servant Leadership

# Course ID: LEAD1071-1

# Overview

Servant Leaders are other-centered. They focus on showing up as servants to a mission, values, people, and principles. They create cultures of service among all employees. They promote specific peer support initiatives on teams and across organizations. This workshop offers an overview of Servant Leadership, opportunities to assess oneself as a Servant Leader, and develop practical program initiatives that spread Servant Leadership to every employee.

# Objectives

- 1. Gain insights about the nature, purpose, and benefits of Servant Leadership at work.
- 2. Explore 5 fundamental practices that are engaged in by all Servant Leaders.
- 3. Assess the culture of teams at work and determine if they embody Servant Leader practices and behaviors.
- 4. Share ideas about activities and initiatives that institutionalize Servant Leadership behaviors and philosophies across a team or organization.

**Duration**: 1 Day (8 hours)

# Modality: Virtual

# Competencies

Leading Others

• Team Building

Interpersonal Skills

- Fostering Employee
   Engagement
- Perfect for
  - Supervisors

• Managers

Executives

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# **Comprehensive Course:**

# **Situational Leadership**

# Course ID: LEAD1071-2

# Overview

Situational Leadership is one of the four core dimensions of leadership development and demonstrations in the workplace. When acted upon in a calculated, considerate way, it enables a leader to quickly and confidently assess any situation and encounter and pivot with an appropriate response. This workshop offers an introduction to Situational Leadership that goes beyond common publications and author definitions. It offers practical exercises that can be applied to situations at work.

# Objectives

- 1. Understand the purpose, practices, and skills associated with Situational Leadership.
- 2. Move beyond common definitions of Situational Leadership found in the professional literature.
- 3. Review specific thinking styles that help and hinder Situational Leader problem-solving effectiveness.
- 4. Consider decisions that should be owned or shared based on situational criteria.
- 5. Examine first steps in situational delegation processes.

# Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

# Modality: Virtual

# Competencies

Leading Others
 Delegation
 Problem-Solving
 Decision-Making
 Perfect for
 Supervisors
 Managers
 Executives

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# **Comprehensive Course**

# **Spirited Leadership**

# Course ID: LEAD1071-3

# Overview

True leaders are role models of character, integrity, and principles. They walk it, talk it, believe it, and breathe it. This is the essence of Spirited Leadership. Spirited Leaders are guided by ethics, principles, other-centered philosophies, mission, values, and virtues. They don't just think about them or post them on a wall. They weave them into all interactions, practices, and plans. They use them to guide their choices, decisions, and their treatment of others. This workshop offers an overview of the key components of Spirited Leadership and practical exercises to bring Spirited Leadership to life.

# **Objectives**

- 1. Discuss the foundational nature of spirited (principle-centered) leadership and how it is pivotal to influential leaders.
- 2. Discern the P's of your leadership principles, purpose, paradigms, philosophy, etc. and determine how to communicate these P's to your people.
- 3. Reflect on priorities and determine whether your Spirited Leader priorities are aligned with practices.
- 4. Generate ideas and insights to develop and demonstrate Spirited Leadership consistently and confidently.

**Duration**: 1 Day (8 hours)

Modality: Virtual

# Competencies

Leading Others

• Integrity/Honesty

# Perfect for

Supervisors

• Managers

• Executives

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# **Comprehensive Course**

# **Strategic Leadership**

# Course ID: LEAD1071-4

# Overview

Strategic Leadership is key to any lasting change a leader attempts to lead or legacy that a leader wishes to leave. Strategic leadership entails visioning and planning for the future. It encompasses the skills of assessment and analysis of conditions and goals, strategic and systems thinking, engagement of others, and action planning. This workshop introduces Strategic Leadership, the expanse of its efforts, the professional competencies associated with it, and specific tools for use in common strategic initiatives such as vision planning and succession planning.

# Objectives

- 1. Examine competencies associated with, and linkages between, Strategic Leadership priorities and a leader's goals to lead change, lead others, and build coalitions.
- 2. Distinguish between operational goals and strategies and strategic/transformative goals and strategies.
- 3. Practice using three strategic assessment tools.
- 4. Learn about succession planning and its importance to strategic leadership.

**Duration:** 1 Day (8 hours)

Modality: Virtual		
Competencies <ul> <li>Leading Change</li> </ul>	Strategic Thinking	Visioning
<ul><li>Perfect for</li><li>Supervisors</li></ul>	• Managers	Executives

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# **Comprehensive Course**

# Strategic Thinking, Problem-Solving, and Planning

# Course ID: LEAD1142

# Overview

The best managers and leaders in business and government follow the adage, "begin with the end in mind." This means that they engage in comprehensive analysis, planning, and solution-oriented problem solving, focused on end-goals and objectives, before initiating major changes in programs, processes, or performance management initiatives. Yet, strategic planning is not meant merely for large-scale initiatives. It is a critical/creative thinking and planning process that can be applied to project management, programming, and personnel development. It requires thought paradigm shifts and includes specific tools for action planning and processes for the engagement of stakeholders.

# Objectives

- 1. Understand the nature and purpose of strategy development within organizations.
- 2. Review competencies, concepts, and practices associated with effective strategic planning.
- 3. Differentiate 8 different types of thinking and develop strategic and systems thinking aptitudes.
- 4. Identify operational and strategic problems that impact organization goal attainment.
- 5. Utilize rapid problem-solving tools to effectively diagnose and discern solutions to problems.
- 6. Examine various strategic planning models.
- 7. Practice completing sections of strategic plans.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Small groupwork activities
- Problem-solving and planning games
- Rapid Problem-Solving Model
- S.W.O.T. and P.E.S.T.L.E. Assessment Tools
- Three Strategic Planning Models and strategic planning practice

**Duration**: 3 Days (24 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Intermediate

# Competencies

- Strategic Thinking
- Systems Thinking
- External Awareness
- Problem-Solving
- Vision
- Creativity and Innovation

# Classification connection: GS 9-15

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders

- Leadership Vision, Values, Virtues and Vestiges
- Championing Change
- PowerSkills Management Coaching or Executive Advising

# **Team Leadership and Team Management Styles**

# Course ID: PROF3182-3

### Overview

You've got style, and style matters a lot at work! Leadership styles and management styles matter at work because they directly affect and impact relationships, team interactions, meeting management and engagement, project planning, employee development, and organization culture. This workshop provides leaders with an introduction to leadership and management styles: what they are, how they're developed, when to use each style, the effects of each style, and how to blend them. Professionals get to know their styles so they can begin to create an initial roadmap for style development, restraint, and blending at work.

# **Objectives**

- 1. Differentiate between team leadership skills, styles, and preferences.
- 2. Review three leadership styles along with associated characteristics, conditions, criteria for use, and consequences.
- 3. Establish decision-making criteria aligned with leadership styles
- 4. Explore six management styles, their purpose, practices associated with each, and the consequences of getting stuck in a style.
- 5. Develop a framework for a personal style development and adjustment plan.

Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

#### Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

• Team Building

# Perfect for

• Supervisors

Managers

Executives

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# **Comprehensive Course**

• Styles at Work

# The Leadership Star<sup>™</sup> Program

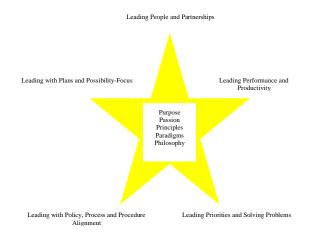
# Category: Leadership

Course ID: LEAD1152

### Overview

Star leaders are those who can rapidly wrap their minds around the real functions of the leadership role. They don't simply show up as motivational and visionary in expression. Nor do they show up as micro-managers. They view their role, responsibilities, and responses through the lens of a set of core leadership functions. We categorize these functions in the Plist. Combined, they create The Leadership Star<sup>TM</sup>.

This comprehensive, interactive, experiential course offers leaders the opportunity to learn methods and practice using tools that enable them to fulfill their leadership functions.



# Objectives

- 1. Appreciate and apply specific principles and practices for effectively leading people.
- 2. Create a strategic framework for enhancing internal or external partnerships.
- 3. Evaluate current performance and productivity methods and design new methods for accountability.
- 4. Differentiate between important items and priorities and develop a plan to focus on priorities.
- 5. Consider if current behaviors and norms are in alignment with official and acceptable policies, procedures, and processes, and design communication and expectation plans that ensure alignment.
- 6. Participate in peer assessment and advising to define leadership purpose, passions, principles, and philosophies.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- 40-hour interactive course with peer teaching presentations
- (1) pre-course informational interview assignment and (1) process-procedure norm assessment

**Duration**: 5 Days (40 hours + pre-course work) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Intermediate

# Competencies

- Human Capital Management
- Employee Relations
- Improving Employee
   Performance & Productivity
- Classification connection: GS 9-15

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers

- Decisiveness
- Communicating Priorities
- Partnering
- Leading Others

- Problem-Solving
- Political Savvy
- Vision
- Strategic Thinking

# **Customer Service Excellence**

# Course ID: PROF3071

#### Overview

Customer service can make or break the reputation of an individual and a business. In a world where so many products and services have equal merit, it is customer service that can set you apart. A great customer service agent can ensure loyalty to a brand or team when trust is in tatters. A group of exceptional customer service providers can ensure engagement, trust, and support for a product, service, or team far into the future. Our course provides you with skills, insights, and practices to catalyze your customer service.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Review customer service competencies and compare your skills and behaviors to effective practices.
- 2. Define exceptional customer service, differentiating it from typical service acceptance.
- 3. Learn about servant leadership principles and how they are applied to customer service.
- 4. Recognize who your internal and external customers are and what expectations they have.
- 5. Learn about the rational and emotional elements operating during every customer encounter and use them to assess your customer encounters.
- 6. Explore the enemies of customer service and determine if any of them show up at work.
- 7. Learn about customer service moments of truth and analyze real customer encounters to determine the truth that customers are seeing about services and service providers.
- 8. Examine and practice the H.E.A.R.T.<sup>TM</sup> model for addressing anxious and upset customers.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- H.E.A.R.T.<sup>TM</sup> Model
- Appreciative Inquiry exercises
- Case study and role-play activities
- Small groupwork activities

Duration: 3 Days (24 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Foundation

Competency: Customer Service

#### Classification connection: All

#### Perfect for

- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Communication and Listening Styles at Work
- Adaptability, Flexibility, and Resilience Practices
- Negotiation Skills
- Influence, Power, and Persuasion Skills

# **Emotional Intelligence Skills**

# Course ID: PROF3102

# Overview

Emotional intelligence is much more important at work and in life than a person's IQ. An IQ measures only one dimension of intelligence. It doesn't mean that the person can engage in critical thinking. Nor does it mean that a person can relate to others, engage in teamwork, manage stress or emotions, build trust or partnerships, de-escalate tension and conflict, build one's confidence levels, release old worries or hurts, or help groups reset their culture. Emotional intelligence skills enable a person to accomplish all of this and much more. This course provides professionals with the foundation for building strong emotional intelligence capabilities.

# Objectives

- 1. Review a professional competency associated with Emotional Intelligence skills.
- 2. Understand the nature of and skills related to emotional intelligence.
- 3. Discern the internal and external stimuli that influence emotions.
- 4. Review factors that condition emotional responses in individuals and how to re-condition responses.
- 5. Engage in emotional and mental practices supporting emotional self-awareness.
- 6. Participate in self-regulation exercises to strengthen self-regulation abilities.
- 7. Analyze underlying motivational triggers to emotions and enhance empathy.
- 8. Develop social awareness capabilities.
- 9. Successfully navigate and facilitate social interactions and create agreements and new social norms.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Participate in guided visualization exercises
- Practice mindfulness techniques
- Self-reflection, self-assessment, and personal change planning exercises
- Peer sharing and peer advising encounters
- Small groupwork activities

Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Intermediate

**Competency:** Emotional Intelligence Skills

# Classification connection: All

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

# Emotional Intelligence Skills - Introduction

# Course ID: PROF3102-1

### Overview

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### Objectives

- 1. Review a professional competency associated with Emotional Intelligence skills.
- 2. Understand the nature of and skills related to emotional intelligence.
- 3. Partake in an E.I. self-assessment inventory for daily life.
- 4. Consider how emotions are conditioned and can be reconditioned.
- 5. Discern the internal and external stimuli that influence emotions.
- 6. Engage in emotional and mental practices supporting emotional self-awareness.
- 7. Engage in practices that strengthen emotional self-regulation and empowerment.
- 8. Discern underlying triggers and motivators for emotions and make new choices.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Practice mindfulness techniques
- Self-reflection, self-assessment, and personal change planning exercises
- Peer sharing and peer advising encounters
- Small groupwork activities

#### Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

Modality: Virtual

Level: Intermediate

**Competency: Emotional Intelligence Skills** 

#### Perfect for

• Executive leaders

- HR, EEO, ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers

- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

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#### **Comprehensive Course**

• Emotional Intelligence Skills

# **Happiness Factors at Work**

# Course ID: PROF3111

### Overview

These are facts. Almost every person spends 7-10 hours per day at work and in commute to and from work: one-third of their day. Each person dedicates mental energy, emotional energy, experiential and educational energies to their place of work and people at work. Every person has dreams and goals of simply moving through their days in productive ways, hoping to be happy along the way. Team members and leaders strive to maintain cultures at work that are conducive to happiness so that people find the workplace comfortable and their interactions pleasant and want to return to work each day. This course helps professionals explore factors that promote happiness at work within individuals and teams so that levels of happiness can rise and be sustained in meaningful ways each day.

# Objectives

- 1. Understand specific factors that form the foundation of happiness at work
- 2. Assess individual levels of happiness work
- 3. Examine 3 specific behaviors that sabotage personal happiness at work
- 4. Develop initial action plans to increase happiness at work and in life
- 5. Assess and address happiness factors on teams and in work units
- 6. Brainstorm leadership practices that can increase happiness at work

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Self-reflection, self-assessment, and personal planning activities
- Tale of two teams case studies
- Peer sharing and peer advising encounters
- Small groupwork activities

**Duration**: 2 Days (16 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Foundation

#### Competencies

Stress Tolerance

Resiliency

# Classification connection: All

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- PowerSkills Revive Retreat for Teams Happiness Factors@Work<sup>™</sup>
- Stress Management Skills
- Motivation and Morale-Building, and Recognition and Rewards

# Happiness Factors at Work - Introduction

# Course ID: PROF3111-2

### Overview

Happiness at work looks different to different people. To some, it means "contentment with my tasks and responsibilities," "purposeful work," and "the chance to do a good job and use my subject matter expertise." To others, it means "getting along with the people I work with" or "having a boss who really has my back and supports my ideas and development." Many factors affect our happiness. Some factors are external, and some factors are internal. All must be considered if we are to take an active role in ensuring our happiness at work. This workshop helps you assess your happiness factors and create a plan for ensuring greater levels of happiness each day.

# **Objectives**

- 1. Determine your definition of happiness at work so that you strive for your own goals and not those created by others.
- 2. Review common internal and external factors that affect happiness at work.
- 3. Assess factors that matter to you and specific adjustments that must be made to increase happiness and decrease misery at work.
- 4. Discuss ways to advocate for your own happiness and propose strategies to supporters of your happiness.

**Duration**: Half-Day (4 hours)

Modality: Virtual

Competency: Conflict Management

#### Competencies

- Fostering Employee Engagement
- Stress Management
- Interpersonal Skills

Perfect for All Employees

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#### **Comprehensive Course:**

Happiness Factors at Work

# **Organization and Time Management**

# Course ID: PROF3140

# Overview

Organization and time management are difficult when juggling multiple priorities. That is why it is important to blend priority management into any task and time management program. Many things may be important, but not everything is a priority. This course helps professionals identify priorities, establish expectations and boundaries, organize time based on task importance, and balance their days to maintain sanity.

# Objectives

- 1. Review professional competency supporting time, priority, and organization management.
- 2. Engage in a self-assessment of personal priority, time, and task management practices.
- 3. Map one's time and differentiate between urgent and important tasks for action.
- 4. Understand and tactically balance competing priorities, multiple expectations, and vague accountabilities.
- 5. Determine how to halt interruptions and establish effective boundaries.
- 6. Identify time wasters and generate solutions to problematic patterns that steal minutes from a day.
- 7. Establish a vision and initial action plan for resetting actions and behaviors for organization, time, and task management at work and in life.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Self-reflection, self-assessment, and personal planning activities
- Peer sharing and peer advising encounters
- Small groupwork activities

# Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

# Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Foundation

# Competencies

Time Management

# Classification connection: All

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Stress Management Skills
- Burnout and Compassion Fatigue

# Relationship and Trust Building Skills

# Course ID: PROF3151

# Overview

According to the Gallup Organization, people who have a best friend at work are seven times more likely to be engaged in their jobs. And it doesn't have to be a best friend: Gallup found that people who simply had a good friend in the workplace are more likely to be satisfied. Good relationships give us freedom: instead of spending time and energy overcoming the problems associated with negative relationships, we can instead focus on opportunities. Good relationships are also often necessary if we hope to develop our careers. After all, if your boss doesn't trust you, it's unlikely that he or she will consider you when a new position opens up. Overall, we all want to work with people with whom we're on good terms. We also need good working relationships with others in our professional circle. Customers, suppliers, and key stakeholders are all essential to our success. So, it's important to build and maintain good relations with these people.

# **Objectives**

- 1. Develop people skills and interpersonal skills.
- 2. Understand why and how trust and relationships form.
- 3. Explore the behavioral and attitudinal factors that support healthy and helpful relationships at work.
- 4. Brainstorm and plan ongoing initiatives that guarantee collaboration, cooperation, and mutual support.
- 5. Confront systemic and group statements, practices, and processes that prevent or sabotage relationship and trust-building efforts.
- 6. Learn how to re-set relationships once trust has been broken or hurt has been experienced.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- · Peer recognition and relationship-building icebreakers and activities
- Trust assessments
- Development of a trust-building plan for leaders and teams
- Small groupwork assignments
- Self-assessment and self-reflection opportunities

**Duration**: 2 Days (16 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Foundation

# Competencies

- Fostering Employee Engagement
- Interpersonal Skills
- Team Building

# Classification connection: All

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Team Up to Promote Performance, Development, and Support
- Motivation and Morale-Building, and Recognition and Rewards
- Emotional Intelligence Skills
- Facilitating Forgiveness at Work

# Addressing Burnout and Compassion

# Fatigue Course ID: PROF3031

### Overview

Minor, occasional stress can cause headaches and irritability, a loss of concentration, and a myriad of other annoying symptoms. However, deep, acute, persistent stress due to constant, unrelenting trauma or overload or due to unmitigated unhappiness about work can cause compassion fatigue or burnout. Compassion fatigue and burnout can be physically, emotionally, mentally, and socially debilitating. They can break a person down. Compassion fatigue and burnout can happen to anyone. This course zeroes in on the causes and symptoms of compassion fatigue and burnout, provides practical solutions, and helps people create action plans.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Understand the difference between burnout and compassion fatigue.
- 2. Examine triggers and underlying causes of compassion fatigue and essential remedies.
- 3. Realize five types of empowerment that can relieve and reverse burnout and compassion fatigue.
- 4. Discover how the Compassion Fatigue Process creates cumulative stress build-up over time.
- 5. Evaluate 24 symptoms of compassion fatigue and strategize how to mitigate them in daily life.
- 6. Participate in compassion fatigue resilience activities.
- 7. Examine 15 symptoms of burnout and explore relief options.
- 8. Review 10 ways to counteract burnout at work and in life.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Peer sharing, peer advising, and peer coaching encounters
- Mindfulness practices
- Boundary-setting exercises
- Small groupwork activities

**Duration**: 2 Days (16 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Foundation

Competency: Stress Tolerance

### Classification connection: All

#### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Stress Management Skills
- Happiness Factors at Work<sup>TM</sup>
- PowerSkills Revive Retreat for Teams
- PowerSkills Executive Advising and Coaching

# Addressing Burnout and Compassion Fatigue - Introduction Category: Stress Management

### Course ID: PROF3171-2

#### **Overview**

Unmanaged stress can be dangerous, posing a danger to one's health, relationships, and career. This occurs in dramatic form when a person experiences persistent symptoms of burnout or compassion fatigue. Both can be debilitating to the individual and affect the morale of an entire department. This workshop teaches professionals about the signs of, underlying causes that contribute to, and recovery solutions for burnout and compassion fatigue.

#### Objectives

- 1. Understand the difference between burnout and compassion fatigue.
- 2. Examine triggers and underlying causes of compassion fatigue.
- 3. Develop a prevention and recovery road map for compassion fatigue.
- 4. Assess cues and clues of burnout and explore relief options.

#### **Duration**: Half-Day (4 hours)

#### Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

- Stress Management
- Stress Tolerance

#### Perfect for

• All Employees

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#### **Comprehensive Course:**

- Addressing Burnout and Compassion Fatigue
- Stress Management Skills
- Stress Management Mindfulness Practices

# **Stress Management Calming Practices**

# Course ID: PROF3161-1

#### Overview

When the pressure builds, we need calming practices that will work on the spot. We may not have time to engage in our typical decompression, stress-relieving activities. We need a toolbox of practices for calming and collecting our thoughts. This workshop provides experiences with practical activities and steps for on-the-spot stress reduction.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Engage in breathwork and progress relaxation exercises.
- 2. Discuss six actions that reduce anxiety overload: accepting, narrowing, boundary-setting, completing, deciding, and reframing the big picture.
- 3. Explore Shempa the hooks of frustration and fear within and engage in mindfulness practices.

**Duration**: Half-Day (4 hours)

#### Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

- Stress Management
- Stress Tolerance

#### Perfect for

• All Employees

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#### **Comprehensive Course:**

Stress Management Mindfulness Practices

# **Stress Management Mindfulness Practices**

# Course ID: PROF3161

# Overview

Mindfulness means to remain present, calmly acknowledging, becoming aware of, and at peace with thoughts, feelings, and present circumstances. As a person practices mindfulness each day, the person develops more patience and calmness, is more focused, and experiences less stress. This course introduces professionals to mindfulness techniques that can be used in workplace settings and practices individually or in groups.

#### Objectives

- 1. Learn what Mindfulness is and is not and why it is integral to stress reduction and stress management.
- 2. Understand the ultimate goals of Mindfulness practices in daily life.
- 3. Review scientific research findings about the effects of Mindful practices on individuals and workplace environments.
- 4. Explore 10 Mindfulness practices that can be integrated into daily life.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Participate in guided visualization exercises
- Practice mindfulness techniques
- Self-reflection, self-assessment, and personal change planning exercises
- Peer sharing and peer advising encounters
- Small groupwork activities

### Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Foundation

**Competency**: Stress Tolerance

#### Classification connection: All

#### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Burnout and Compassion Fatigue Prevention and Solutions
- Stress Management Skills
- Happiness Factors at Work<sup>™</sup>

# Course ID: PROF3171 Overview

Individuals who experience persistent high stress, regardless of whether it is self-generated or triggered by circumstances, have a significantly higher chance of poor performance, poor judgment, ineffective supervision, burn-out, and disease. This course provides professionals with a comprehensive overview of foundational stress management and work-life balance practices that can be used so that stress is reduced, balance is achieved, health is sustained, and performance remains high.

# Objectives

- 1. Understand the causes for and consequences of stress and work-life imbalance.
- 2. Identify internal triggers and cycles of stress.
- 3. Learn about virtues and how the strengthening of virtues in daily life alleviates stress.
- 4. Brainstorm effective habits for managing stress-based emotions by controlling breathing and body reactions.
- 5. Use the Wheel of Life to examine the dimensions of life and determine which are in and out of balance.
- 6. Engage in planning for work-life balance.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Participate in guided visualization exercises
- Practice mindfulness techniques
- Self-reflection, self-assessment, and personal change planning exercises
- Peer sharing and peer advising encounters
- Small groupwork activities

# Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Foundation

Competency: Stress Tolerance

# Classification connection: All

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Addressing Burnout and Compassion Fatigue
- Happiness Factors at Work<sup>™</sup>

# Work Overload, Work Fixation, Work Addiction

# Course ID: PROF3171-3

#### Overview

We are doing too much, and it is sickening our work environments, relationships, emotions, minds, and bodies. Sometimes, the pressures that we experience are thrust upon us by others or because of circumstances, and we have to learn to manage the overload and overwhelm. Other times, it is we who create the pressure and overload because of our work fixation in life or work addition associated with our agencies and roles. This workshop helps professionals differentiate between work overload, work fixation, and work addiction and offers practical solutions for supporting a healthy and manageable work life.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Understand the difference between work overload, work fixation, and work addiction, and determine which one you may be experiencing.
- 2. Exchange practical solutions for managing work overload and feelings of overwhelm.
- 3. Assess work fixation patterns that may be occurring in your life and learn how to adjust habits.
- 4. Explore underlying causes of work addiction and review five preliminary steps to address work addiction.

#### Duration: Half-Day (4 hours)

#### Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

- Stress Management
- Stress Tolerance

#### Perfect for

• All Employees

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#### **Comprehensive Course:**

- Stress Management Skills
- Stress Management Mindfulness Practices

# Course ID: MGMT2062-1 Overview

Employee engagement directly impacts retention, turnover, innovation, workplace culture, team performance, and productivity, and therefore an entire organization's success. It is not secondary to success. It is a primary factor. It goes beyond whether an employee is happy or not and whether compensation is competitive and appropriate. It is about demonstrating the kind of respect for employees that causes leadership practices to change, team structure and dynamics to shift, individual interactions to be more mindful, employee initiatives to have more meaning, and recognition and compensation to become innovative. This course helps managers learn about the 12 data-driven factors affecting employee engagement and develop concrete plans.

# Objectives

- 1. Review twelve data-driven factors that affect levels of employee engagement at work.
- 2. Collaborate to diagnose leadership, team, and organization dynamics that may be hindering engagement.
- 3. Engage in self-reflection and self-assessment exercises to plan for individual change.
- 4. Explore solutions and strategies that promote sustainable employee engagement.

Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

Modality: Virtual

Competency: Fostering Employee Engagement

#### Perfect for

Supervisors

Managers

Executives

Teams

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# **Comprehensive Course**

• Employee Engagement initiatives

# **Meeting Management Skills**

# Course ID: MGMT2101

### Overview

Well-planned and well-run meetings can energize, engage, and propel people forward in meaningful and motivational ways. Perfunctory meetings, those mandatory meetings with the same old agendas, the same people speaking, and the same drain on time, can demoralize people and diminish productivity. It is important for leaders at all levels to know how to organize and facilitate meetings and make them meaningful for attendees. This course offers a step-by-step tool for meeting planning and skill-building related to meeting facilitation.

### **Objectives**

- 1. Assess the structure and content of meetings, matching it against the content, structure, and flow desired by most meeting participants.
- 2. Assess the necessary post-meeting follow-through steps that keep participants informed and motivated to come to future meetings.
- 3. Assess and improve the skills of meeting facilitation, including how to keep people and schedules on time and on task during meetings, how to eliminate distractions and diversions, and how to manage manipulators and potential conflicts during meetings.
- 4. Learn how to prepare for meeting facilitation and how to rotate facilitation responsibilities during meetings.
- 5. Learn and discern pre-meeting steps and strategies that make for successful meetings.
- 6. Learn how to clarify and establish realistic meeting goals, roles, expectations of participants, and meeting/group process information.
- 7. Organize the information and plans gleaned from the meetings and discussions in simple, meaningful formats for practical use in the future.
- 8. Learn about alternative strategies for eliciting information, ideas, and involvement from participants.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- 7 F's Meeting Planning Model
- Interactive workshop format
- Small groupwork exercises
- Agenda-setting and decision-making activities

#### **Duration**: 2 Days (16 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Foundation

# Competencies

- Oral Communication
- Communicating Priorities
- Team Building

# Classification connection: All

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

# Recommended follow up

Business Communication Intensive

# **Motivation and Morale and Recognition and Rewards**

# Course ID: MGMT2112

# Overview

Many managers and supervisors are incredibly proficient in all of their technical skills. They have gained competence and demonstrate consistency with performance management responsibilities. However, they may struggle from time to time with the human dimension of management, which is motivation and morale-building, as well as providing consistent, meaningful forms of recognition and rewards that matter to people. This course helps supervisors and managers understand what truly makes a difference to a person's and team's motivation and morale and how to create comprehensive menus, practices, and activities that consistently build motivation and morale. Professionals learn how to create, offer, and ensure that recognition and rewards are meaningful and based on fair criteria.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Learn 10 factors that positively trigger intrinsic motivation.
- 2. Assess the motivational culture of a team or group.
- 3. Engage in peer recognition and morale-building activities.
- 4. Generate leader-driven and group-guided morale-building activities.
- 5. Differentiate between recognition and rewards.
- 6. Create a peer and team recognition menu tailored to your team.
- 7. Review types of rewards that are officially sanctioned by agencies and organizations.
- 8. Create criteria for rewarding performance and added value.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Self-reflection and self-assessment practices
- Peer motivation, peer advising, and peer coaching encounters
- Small groupwork activities
- Large group icebreakers and games

Duration: 2 Days (16 hours)

Modality: Onsite. Virtual

Level: Intermediate

# Competencies

• Team Building

• Human Capital Management

# Classification connection: GS 7-15

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

# Performance Management and Planning Skills

# Course ID: MGMT2132

# Overview

Managerial inspiration and motivation are important, as are vision and relationship building. However, if a supervisor or manager cannot effectively plan for, capably manage, and consistently elevate performance, then the goals of the organization will not be achieved, and the mission will not be accomplished. This course offers professionals the opportunity of hands-on practice using tools and models that will help them improve individual and team performance at work.

# Objectives

- 1. Review human capital management and performance management competencies.
- 2. Use the 8-step Performance Management Cycle Model to develop a performance strategy.
- 3. Practice developing critical elements and standards of performance.
- 4. Review practical tools for objectively appraising performance.
- 5. Engage in performance feedback practice encounters.
- 6. Learn how to monitor performance and ensure accountability without micro-managing.
- 7. Develop a recognition and reward menu and criteria that ensure fairness for rewards.
- 8. Analyze poor performance and develop corrective action plans and activities.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Performance Management Cycle Model
- Case study activities
- Feedback tools and practice planning for and providing feedback
- Employee appraisal and individual development planning tools
- Reward and recognition menus and activities
- Teach-back, role play, and appreciative activities
- Peer advising and peer coaching encounters

#### **Duration**: 3 Days (24 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Intermediate

# Competencies

- Human Capital
   Management
- Developing Others

# Classification connection: GS 5-15

#### Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

# Recommended follow up

- Facilitating Critical Conversations
- Building and Leading High-Performance Teams
- The Leadership Star™ Program
- Skills for New Supervisors

- Handling Unacceptable
   Performance
- Improving Employee
   Performance and Productivity
- Conducting Performance Appraisals

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# **Skills for Experienced Supervisors**

# Course ID: MGMT2143

# Overview

Many supervisors and managers come to their roles with significant technical proficiency and then take dozens of courses on leadership. Yet, they struggle with leading and supervising on a human, interpersonal level or during necessary transactional encounters because they simply do not have practical, user-friendly tools and simple practices at their disposal. This course offers experienced supervisors and managers those tools and practices.

# Objectives

- 1. Explore five fundamental goals of experienced supervisors.
- 2. Review and understand OPM competencies for experienced supervisors.
- 3. Explore what it means to champion and lead successful change efforts.
- 4. Understand the impact of emotional intelligence and how to use it on-the-job.
- 5. Gain insights into diversity inclusion and appreciation practices.
- 6. Review the importance of FEVS and develop engagement plans.
- 7. Engage in coaching and feedback practice opportunities.
- 8. Learn effective practices for successful delegation.
- 9. Share self-care and resiliency practices.
- 10. Overview of influencing and persuasion tactics.
- 11. Explore negotiation skills and practices.
- 12. Receive skill-building tips for partnering, politically savvy, human capital management, personal accountability, and communicating priorities.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Peer coaching, peer advising, peer problem-solving, and peer planning exercises
- Case study and teach-back presentation activities
- Change planning tools
- EVS/employee survey data evaluation and employee engagement planning
- Feedback practice opportunities

**Duration**: 5 Days (40 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Intermediate – Advanced

# Competencies

- Change Management
- Fostering Employee
   Engagement
- Leveraging Diversity
- Delegation
- Complex Decision Making
- Developmental Coaching and Feedback
- Emotional Intelligence
- Influence/Negotiating
- Human Capital Management
- Political Savvy
- Partnering
- Systems Thinking

- Personal Accountability
- Communicating Priorities
- Resilience
- Adaptability/Flexibility
- Program Management
- Creativity and Innovation
- Time Management

Classification connection: GS 9-15

# Perfect for

• Supervisors and managers

# Recommended follow up

# **Skills for New Supervisors**

# Course ID: MGMT2152

# Overview

Making the transition to a new supervisory role is a big deal. Relationships change. Boundaries have to change. Responsibilities change. Priorities, time, and task management must be re-balanced. New skills for performance, conduct, and team management must be learned. It is a lot. But it is all possible. This course offers new supervisors a meaningful, supportive, in-depth growth experience in which they will learn new knowledge, be offered practical tools, engage in fun skill-building activities, and build long-lasting networks.

# Objectives

- 1. Consider supervisor roles in the context of leadership concepts and practices.
- 2. Review OPM objectives and competencies for new supervisors.
- 3. Understand supervisory roles and responsibilities.
- 4. Gain insights about making transitions from employee to supervisor.
- 5. Generate HR, ER, and EEO questions and discover answers.
- 6. Review legal and ethical guidelines.
- 7. Learn skills and strategies for managing performance.
- 8. Review effective practices for addressing employee misconduct.
- 9. Review workplace norms that can trigger conflict.
- 10. Explore diversity competencies and practices that promote inclusion.
- 11. Engage in work group and team assessments.
- 12. Review the basics of change management.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Interactive workshop format
- Peer coaching, peer advising, peer problem-solving, and peer planning exercises
- Case study and teach-back presentation activities
- Team assessment and team agreement planning tools
- HR/ER/EEO outreach and networking activities
- Performance Management and Planning and Diversity-Inclusion planning
- Conflict styles inventory

**Duration**: 5 Days (40 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Intermediate

# Competencies

- Human Capital
   Management
- Leveraging Diversity
- Conflict Management

# Classification connection: GS 5-15

#### Perfect for

• Supervisors and managers

- Facilitating Critical Conversations
- Emotional Intelligence Skills
- Building and Leading High-Performance Teams
- Business Communication Intensive

- Creativity and Innovation
- Customer Service
- Technical Credibility
- Team Building
- Strategic Thinking
- Developing Others
- Employee Relations

# **Building and Leading High-Performance Teams**

# Course ID: LEAD1022

# Overview

There is a vast difference between actual teams and general work groups. Teams are designed to support one another, whereas, in many work groups, individuals often work in silos. Cooperative, collaborative, and cohesive teams don't just happen. It takes vision, planning, and effort to build, maintain and lead them. During this course, participants learn the essential and in-depth knowledge, models, and skills to effectively build and lead teams.

#### Objectives

- 1. Differentiate between teams and work groups and clarify the purpose of teaming at work.
- 2. Define the mission of the team, create a team vision, and discern core goals.
- 3. Identify and operationalize team values.
- 4. Determine team structure and current processes to identify structural or procedural changes.
- 5. Clarify team roles, responsibilities, standards, and expectations.
- 6. Examine the stages of team development and analyze factors that affect team performance.
- 7. Assess team member work styles and team leadership styles.
- 8. Engage in problem-solving pertaining to team challenges.
- 9. Plan for team meetings and communication needs and create agendas and agreements.
- 10. Consider behaviors that can sabotage team relationships, performance, cohesion, and trust.
- 11. Create a team reward and recognition menu.
- 12. Engage in relationship-building activities.

#### Format, models, tools, and activities

- Workshop format for learning, discussion, decision-making, and planning
- Interactive, experiential activities
- Team assessments

Duration: 3 Days (24 hours)

Modality: Onsite, Virtual

Level: Intermediate

#### Competencies

• Team building

• Problem-solving

Creativity and innovation

#### Classification connection: All

#### Perfect for

- Executive leaders, supervisors, and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

# **Team Up with Team Building Activities**

# Course ID: PROF3131

# Overview

Sometimes, a classroom or online seminar format simply will not elicit the same desired impact on a team as an experiential workshop filled with activities. Experiential workshops enable teams to practice teaming. Through activities, games, and icebreakers, team members are invited to stretch out of their comfort zones and actually practice communicating, planning, problem-solving, relating to, and trusting one another. This highly engaging, experiential, onsite course offers professionals the opportunity to develop teaming skills by doing, not simply by learning about them in a classroom.

# Objectives

- 1. Practice multi-directional communication.
- 2. Engage in team energizers.
- 3. Stretch into initiative-taking.
- 4. Build genuine trust and more substantive relationships.
- 5. Participate in group problem-solving and decision-making.
- 6. Overcome individual challenges with group support.
- 7. Creatively collaborate with team members to develop plans.
- 8. Demonstrate peer leadership and accountability.

# Format, models, tools, and activities

- Experiential activities
- Game-based workshop format
- Group dialogues, debriefs, and decision-making
- Peer support, peer sharing, peer advising exercises

# **Duration**: 2 Days (16 hours) **Modality:** Onsite, Virtual **Level**: Foundation

# Competencies

- Team Building
- Decisiveness

- Oral Communication
- Creativity and Innovation
- Problem-Solving
- Personal Accountability

# Classification connection: All

# Perfect for

- Executive leaders
- HR, EEO, and ER professionals
- Supervisors and managers
- Team and peer leaders
- Employees

- Team Up to Promote Performance, Development, and Support
- Styles at Work<sup>TM</sup> course

# **Team Problem-Solving Introduction**

Course ID: MGMT2112-1

#### Overview

Most problems that a team faces do not rise to crisis levels, but they do go unsolved. They are like mini mysteries. Why is morale dipping when we have such a great team of committed people? What will help motivate each team member, as well as the whole team, collectively? Why does he or she act like that? Without resources for rewards, what kinds of recognition would be meaningful to team members? Why are people not working together or supporting one another?

These and other mysteries can be easily solved. The solutions do not have to be band-aids. They can be meaningful, long-lasting solutions that include options for preventing future challenges. This course helps supervisors, managers, and executives tackle the most common problems that show up on teams and affect motivation and morale.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Share examples of problems that all teams face
- 2. Identify the most common factors that affect team motivation and morale
- 3. Use a rapid problem-solving tool to deconstruct and generate solutions
- 4. Gain insight into triggers for sustained motivation and team morale
- 5. Learn individual motivation and team morale-building activities

Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

• Team Building

# Perfect for

- Supervisors
- Teams

Managers

Executives

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#### **Comprehensive Course**

• Motivation and Morale-Building, and Recognition and Rewards

# **Team Stages and Group Norms**

Executives

### Course ID: MGMT2091-1

#### Overview

All teams experience conflict. Conflict comes with growth and change as groups and individual team members stretch, adapt, and work in new realities. Depending on how the team plans for and traverses each stage of development and manages typical team norms will determine the level and nature of conflict or compatibility that the team experiences. Norms are patterns and habits that settle in place and become accepted. They may be helpful or unhelpful, functional or dysfunctional, and healthy or unhealthy, but for a variety of reasons, a person or team allows norms, over time, to settle in place. This course offers teams and leaders the opportunity to evaluate a team's stage of development, address a series of specific norms that occur in all groups, and generate prevention and intervention strategies.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Review the five stages of team development and assess current team development progress.
- 2. Generate helpful processes and practices for managing each stage of development.
- Consider five group norms that can trigger conflict during stages of team development. Develop prevention and intervention agreements and actions that reduce tension and remediate normbased conflicts.

Duration: 1 Day (8 hours)

Modality: Virtual

#### Competencies

• Team Building

Conflict Management

#### Perfect for

- Supervisors
- Team Members

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Managers

# **Comprehensive Course**

• Group Norms That Trigger Conflict



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