

LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

Mid-Level Leaders

First-Level & Mid-Level Leaders

Clarifying Performance Expectations

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to set and reset performance expectations swiftly and in a straightforward manner.

ILT - 1/2 day
 vILT - 2 hour session + 15 minutes preparation activities
 eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who set work expectations that avoid ambiguity, increase trust, strengthen working relationships, and support shared success.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Identify when a performance expectation discussion is necessary
- Respond effectively to questions and concerns people have about work priorities and goals
- Use the key actions to hold a productive discussion about expectations
- Clarify expectations in a way that increases employees' ability to manage more of their job responsibilities on their own

Conducting Performance Reviews

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to guide collaborative performance reviews in an open atmosphere for planning and airing concerns.

ILT - 1/2 day
 vILT - 2 hour session + 25 minutes preparation activities
 eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who apply skills and tools for conducting performance reviews focused on major responsibilities, ways to improve, and development needs.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Prepare for a focused and collaborative performance review meeting
- Help employees prepare for the performance review meeting
- Give their perspective of the person's performance by focusing on core points
- Overcome major performance disconnects with the employee
- Increase employee motivation, learning, and productivity, and ensure collaboration throughout the year

Correcting Performance Problems

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to address serious or recurring performance problems in individual employees.

ILT - 1/2 day
 vILT - 2 hour session + 30 minutes preparation activities
 eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who step in and take prompt and decisive action to ensure that everyone is accountable for performing their job as effectively as possible.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Describe the consequences of delaying action to correct poor performance
- Identify performance situations in which to take action
- Explain the benefits of collecting background information prior to a discussion about poor performance
- Take effective actions for correcting performance problems
- Conduct focused conversations about poor performance that result in action toward improvement

Delegating for Shared Success

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - 2 hour session + 30 minutes preparation activities
eLearning - 90 minutes

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to apply the planning, interpersonal, and follow-up skills critical for successful delegation.

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who delegate work in a way that focuses employees' capabilities, builds confidence, and earns respect so that the leaders can turn their attention to other key responsibilities, such as planning, removing barriers, and making improvements.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Assess their delegation challenges and skills
- Evaluate what work must be done by them versus what can or should be delegated
- Plan tasks to delegate and align the tasks with the appropriate staff
- Conduct a delegation conversation
- Identify follow-up actions to ensure delegation success

Planning for Performance Discussions

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - 2 hour session + 30 minutes preparation/post-work activities
eLearning - 90 minutes

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to guide employee efforts during any type of one-on-one conversation.

Business Outcomes:

Leaders well prepared for performance-related discussions that lead to increased productivity, collaboration, and the achievement of critical goals.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Describe the role of the performance leader
- Explain to individuals how their work supports the organization's goals
- Demonstrate a set of key actions for performance planning
- Create measurable, objective goals using specific criteria
- Recognize the challenges individuals might have in achieving their goals and develop strategies to overcome these challenges
- Prepare for focused performance management conversations to address expectation setting, poor performance, and performance appraisals

Activating Change: Manager Version

ILT - 1 day + 1/2 day
vILT - Three 2 hour sessions + 3 hours preparation/intersession activities
eLearning - 3 hours

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to increase change capability in their work areas and throughout the organization.

Business Outcomes:

Leaders able to integrate change into the dense stream of day-to-day work, inspire individual commitment, and focus effort to realize business results.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Describe the central role of change capability in improved organizational and individual performance
- Take high-impact actions to build change capability in their areas and throughout the organization
- Maximize their commitment—and encourage the commitment of others—to making change happen
- Work toward expected change results

First-Level & Mid-Level Leaders

Building Team Pride & Purpose

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to improve productivity by building a sense of shared commitment within their teams.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - 2 hour session + 1 hour preparation activities
eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:
Leaders who increase the productivity of their teams by developing a clear sense of common purpose that brings practical business results.

Learning Outcomes:
This program will enable your leaders to:

- Accelerate team productivity through building pride within individuals and teams
- Accelerate team productivity through building a sense of purpose within a team
- Communicate team goals in a compelling way to inspire commitment

Developing Team Agility

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to build high levels of team agility, including quickness, flexibility, and adaptability.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - 2 hour session + 45 minutes preparation activities
eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:
Leaders with the strategies and tools to clarify how their teams will work together, provide learning opportunities, and keep their teams fully informed.

Learning Outcomes:
This program will enable your leaders to:

- Develop team agility through day-to-day behaviors and actions
- Select and use agility tools to:
 - Focus team effort and energy
 - Help team members quickly gain new skills and knowledge
 - Help the team stay current on information needed to produce results

Establishing Credibility

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to build or strengthen credibility in order to enhance workplace effectiveness.

ILT - 1 day

Business Outcomes:
Leaders with the high degree of personal credibility that inspires commitment and high performance. Without credibility, which is the foundation of leadership effectiveness, an individual leader cannot lead or manage effectively.

Learning Outcomes:
This program will enable your leaders to:

- Build credibility with others
- Generate trust through increasing reliability
- Gain respect through expanding competence and the ability to communicate it
- Gain loyalty through actively demonstrating concern for others
- Persevere in the face of obstacles and setbacks

Realizing Talent in Others

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to develop new capabilities in their employees.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - Two 90 minute sessions + 15-30 minutes intersession activities
eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:
Leaders who can develop capabilities in others that meet the motivational needs of each individual and match the need of the organization.

Learning Outcomes:
This program will enable your leaders to:

- Recognize the psychological needs of individuals and incorporate leadership behaviors to support them
- Uncover high impact development opportunities that tap into the employee's internal motivation
- Link employee development activities to business goals and objectives
- Collaborate on development plans that boost employee interest and activate productivity
- Unleash and leverage individual capabilities to achieve workgroup and organizational results

Giving Needs-Based Feedback

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who want to build employee commitment with focused and inspirational performance feedback.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - Two 90 minute sessions + 15-20 minutes intersession activities
eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who give feedback that both aligns with organizational needs and supports employees' internal motivation to deliver organizational results.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Plan and facilitate effective feedback conversations, both face-to-face and voice-to-voice
- Support employees' internal motivation to achieve business results
- Improve performance by helping employees find personal benefits in organizational structure and self-generated solutions
- Receive feedback in ways that promote improved performance and maintain constructive relationships

Identifying Work Priorities and Setting Verifiable Goals: Manager Version

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to answer two questions: "What should my high-priority responsibilities be right now?" And "How will I and others know how well I'm performing?"

ILT - Two 1/2 day sessions or one 1 day workshop
vILT - 2 hour session + 25 minutes preparation activities
eLearning - 2 hours

Business Outcomes:

Leaders and emerging leaders who prioritize their work according to desired results, formulate clear goals, and use objective terms that verify success.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Rank work responsibilities based on their organizational contributions
- Use the Key Actions to help themselves and others identify work priorities
- Describe ways to use goal setting as a leadership tool
- Use the Key Actions to help themselves and others set verifiable goals
- Communicate with others about priorities and goals

Leading Virtually: A Framework for Success

Audience: Mid-level, first-level, and project leaders with geographically dispersed team members who may reflect different job responsibilities, cultural background, or language differences.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - 2 hour session + 2 hours preparation/intersession activities

Business Outcomes:

This module enables your leaders to build the group cohesion and individual commitment necessary for the success of a virtual team.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Provide clear focus and guidelines that will promote group cohesion
- Leverage communication skills and technology in ways that enhance individual commitment
- Encourage collaboration among people from diverse work groups
- Apply leadership practices to effectively lead dispersed work teams

Negotiating Resources for Your Team

Audience: Mid-level and first-level leaders.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - 2 hour session + 25 minutes preparation activities
eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:

Negotiating skills play an increasingly important role in securing the resources a team needs to maintain its momentum toward aggressive goals. This module provides team leaders with negotiation skills that can help them secure needed resources for their teams.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Identify resources that require negotiated solutions
- Identify day-to-day strategies for building and nurturing strong networks
- Distinguish between another person's position and his or her underlying interests
- Demonstrate a set of key actions for negotiating resources on behalf of your team

First-Level & Mid-Level Leaders

Offering Rewards and Recognition

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to use tangible rewards and verbal recognition to support employees' internal motivation to achieve results.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - Two 90 minute sessions + 10-15 minute intersession activities
eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who offer rewards and recognition that support competence, strengthen relationships, and encourage internal motivation in others.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Offer rewards that foster employee motivation
- Offer spoken and written recognition that supports employee motivation
- Sustain motivation by helping employees identify their own contributions
- Encourage collaborative effort through recognizing team performance

Problem-Solving Results: Solutions, Improvements, and Innovations

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to enlist the expertise of their teams to find solutions to complex technical or strategic problems.

ILT - 2 days
vILT - Six 90 minutes sessions + 2 hours and 25 minutes preparation/post-work activities
eLearning - Four 90 minute sessions

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who follow a clear process to facilitate the collaboration of intact and ad hoc teams to identify and implement solutions to complex problems.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Achieve results through problem-solving results
- Solve problems with their team through a blended approach to process and people
- Create a problem-solving culture
- Incorporate four types of problem-solving thinking into problem-solving efforts
- Quantify the gap between the current state and the desired state
- Identify and verify probable causes of problems
- Generate a variety of innovative solutions to choose from
- Develop effective decision-making guidelines
- Gain group consensus on a solution
- Support implementation success

Resolving Conflicts Within Your Team

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to understand the impact of conflict within a team and put processes in place for dealing with it.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - 2 hour session + 1 hour preparation/post-work activities
eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who, as required, can intervene directly to resolve a conflict or help team members resolve a conflict on their own.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Identify behaviors that can fragment a team and negatively impact productivity
- Resolve conflict within a team
- Successfully manage unproductive reactions when dealing with team issues
- Determine when leader-led or team-member-led resolutions are most appropriate
- Support team members in addressing conflict themselves

First-Level & Mid-Level Leaders

Shaping a Motivational Workplace

Audience: First-level and mid-level leaders who need to support the engagement and productivity of their teams.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - Two 90 minutes sessions + 20 - 30 minutes intersession activities
eLearning - 90 minute sessions

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who create an environment that inspires superior performance by helping employees satisfy their natural needs to demonstrate competence, collaborate, and exercise some control over their own work.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Recognize and leverage three basic needs in the workplace
- Create an environment that supports needs satisfaction
- Adopt the employee's perspective to build stronger working relationships
- Communicate with employees without pre-judgment, in an informational way
- Increase engagement by generating opportunities for employee choice in meeting business objectives
- Facilitate enhanced motivation and results

The Coaching Clinic

Audience: First- to mid-level leaders of people who have basic feedback skills who would benefit from an expanded set of coaching skills.

ILT - 1 day

Business Outcomes:

Managers who can develop their direct reports in ways that will contribute the most to individual and organizational success.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Encourage employee growth and development in everyday work through providing learning opportunities and an environment that promotes learning
- Help employees develop critical decision-making skills and greater self-reliance through being a thinking partner
- Provide feedback in a way that builds employee capability
- Handle challenging coaching situations
- Increase the return on their coaching investment

First-Level, Mid-Level & Senior-Level Leaders

Generations in the Workplace: Leveraging Age Diversity

Audience: Senior, mid-level, and first-level leaders, and individual contributors who want to boost the engagement and maximize the contributions of four generations of employees in today's workplace.

ILT - 1/2 day
vILT - 3 hour session

Business Outcomes:

Reduced tensions, improved collaboration, and greater bottom-line results stemming from practices for leveraging age diversity.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Describe the negative consequences of age stereotypes.
- Avoid projecting age stereotypes on others.
- Describe common workplace needs across age groups.
- Treat others as individuals, regardless of their age.
- Leverage the talents and experience of others, regardless of their age

First-Level, Mid-Level & Senior-Level Leaders

Profiles in Genuine Leadership

Audience: Senior, mid-level, and first-level leaders who need to improve their performance in one or more of six critical “leadership zones”: Reflection, Society, Diversity, Ingenuity, People, and Business.

ILT - 1/2 day, with an optional 360-degree assessment of each participant completed before class
vILT - 2 hr session, with an optional 360-degree assessment of each participant completed before the session + 15 min. preparation activities

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who can assess their abilities and plan actions to meet the leadership demands of a complex 21st-century business environment.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Describe the unique challenges they face in their organization
- Describe six key areas of action for effective leaders in the 21st century
- Identify their strengths and liabilities as a leader
- Plan ways to apply their strengths and reduce their liabilities
- Apply selected leadership practices to address their key leadership challenges

Mid-Level Leaders

Building Commitment to Results

Audience: Mid-level leaders, as well as other levels of leaders who would benefit from enhancing their skills at building their employees' commitment to results.

ILT - 1/2 day

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who elicit commitment from employees for business results.

Learning Outcomes:

This module will enable your leaders to:

- Recognize and support three basic psychological needs in the workplace
- Explore the perspective of others to create shared ownership of the work
- Offer choices to encourage responsibility for achieving goals
- Speak without judgment to turn compliance into commitment

Connecting People to Strategy

Audience: Mid-level leaders.

ILT - 1/2 day

Business Outcomes:

Leaders with the ability to create individual and group alignment with organizational strategy by providing the clarity and focus around the strategy and people's role in it.

Learning Outcomes:

This module will enable your leaders to:

- Clarify how your strategic priorities contribute to the success of the organization
- Connect the work of individuals and the group to your strategic priorities
- Communicate in ways that create alignment and engagement

Creating Clarity and Focus

Audience: Mid-level leaders. Senior-level leaders may benefit from the strategy mapping and related storytelling activities (The Big Picture and Communicating the Big Picture modules).

ILT - 2 days

Business Outcomes:

Alignment of work and energy in business units and teams with organizational strategy, enabling the fulfillment of that strategy.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Describe their organization's strategy and its linkage to the work of the team
- Identify actions they can take to strengthen their team's contribution to the strategy
- Communicate a compelling, credible story about their team's contributions to the organization's strategy
- Create and test critical team outcomes to drive business results
- Clarify and build commitment to individual performance expectations
- Manage expectations with others who influence their agenda
- Adapt plans as conditions change

Developing Your Leadership Presence

Audience: Mid-level leaders, as well as other levels of leaders who would benefit from developing their leadership presence.

ILT - 1/2 day

Business Outcomes:

Leaders with increased ability to authentically influence and connect with others.

Learning Outcomes:

This module will enable your leaders to:

- Explain the relationship between your personal presence and your ability to influence people and situations
- Recognize how specific behaviors increase or decrease an influential presence
- Take steps to authentically interact with others in a more influential manner

Leading in Context

Audience: Mid-level leaders, as well as other levels of leaders who would benefit from deploying a context-specific leadership approach.

ILT - 1/2 day

Business Outcomes:

Leaders with a greater ability to flex their leadership style according to what a given situation warrants.

Learning Outcomes:

This module will enable your leaders to:

- Explain the impact of five core leadership styles on performance
- Identify their own preferred leadership style(s)
- Select and apply the behaviors of leadership styles they use less frequently
- Increase their comfort level while using unfamiliar leadership styles
- Deploy a context-appropriate leadership approach

Leading with Influence

Audience: Mid-level leaders.

ILT - 2 days

vILT - Four 2 hour sessions + 8 hours preparation/ intersession activities

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who are able to use their influence to drive business results in complex collaboration settings, even when they do not have positional authority.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Drive business results in complex collaboration settings, even when they do not have positional authority
- Leverage strategic relationships for the benefit of their business priorities
- Build clarity and accountability in collaborations
- Limit unproductive conflict with people on whom they rely to achieve their objectives
- Sustain and enhance their ability to influence others

Mid-Level & Senior-Level Leaders

Leading Complex Decisions

Audience: Mid-level or senior leaders. This program is not suitable for front-line managers, team leaders, or individual contributors.

ILT - 1 day

Business Outcomes:

Managers equipped with a process, strategies, and tools for improving the quality and speed of making complex decisions—and for ensuring that those decisions stick.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Improve both relationships and quality in decision-making processes
- Avoid hidden traps when making decisions
- Assess their decision situation and take appropriate actions according to the situation
- Ensure clarity about the decision to be made, a shared understanding of the situation, and commitment to the decision
- Make the decision with consensus or without, as appropriate
- Check their progress in the decision-making process

Bridging Strategy to Outcomes

Audience: Mid-level and senior-level managers who need to drive operational activities toward strategic goals.

ILT - 2 days

vILT - Six 2 hour sessions + 1 hour 45 minute preparation/intersession activities

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who rise above the pack to achieve measurable outcomes through listening for groundbreaking ideas, aligning performance with strategic direction, lobbying for support, making decisions based on sound data, and helping people see how their actions make a difference.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Seek out, clarify, and confirm ideas and information
- Describe organizational issues and strategy in a compelling way
- Recognize the challenges and benefits of giving feedback
- Focus individual action on issues through feedback
- Explore useful ideas for turning strategies into action
- Lobby for the support and resources you need to address key organizational issues

Accelerating Strategic Initiatives

Audience: Mid-level and senior-level leaders who lead strategic initiatives or complex projects. Can be adapted for first-level leaders or for individual contributors who lead project teams. (Not intended for senior executives.)

ILT - 1 day
vILT - Two 2 hour sessions + 4 hours preparation/intersession activities

Business Outcomes:

Faster, more successful execution of projects and initiatives by setting them up for success from the outset, with a focus on building involvement in the effort across various affected groups.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Accelerate successful execution of projects and initiatives
- Communicate about their initiative in a clear and compelling way
- Involve people in dialogue about the initiative and in shaping the execution plan
- Assess progress, identify obstacles, and correct course
- Reduce the impact of unanticipated events on execution

Dilemma Management

Audience: Mid- and senior-level leaders who need to wrestle with and lead through situations with no simple right answer.

ILT - 3 hours

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who are better able to manage complex business situations (e.g., the dilemma of focusing on short-term profitability or long-term growth) and more effectively deliver results.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Differentiate a problem from a dilemma
- Identify and analyze dilemmas
- Develop and apply strategies for successfully managing dilemmas

Leading Change

Audience: Mid-level and senior-level leaders who are leading strategic initiatives or broad changes in their part of the organization.

ILT - 2 days
vILT - Four 2 hour sessions + 8 hours preparation/intersession activities

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who can accelerate change efforts throughout the strategy execution life cycle, manage multiple initiatives, and adapt to constant change while successfully driving results.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Sustain high performance under turbulent conditions through improving their personal adaptability to change
- Successfully implement a change initiative through all phases of the execution life cycle
- Develop and maintain a broad base of commitment and support for new strategies, initiatives, and programs

Leading Through Transitions

Audience: Mid-level and senior-level leaders who have recently been, are presently, or will soon be making a key leadership transition.

ILT - 1 day
vILT - Two 2 hour sessions + 4 hours preparation/intersession activities

Business Outcomes:

Reduce the impact of common leadership transitions on leaders and their teams and increase their ability to quickly deliver results during these times. (Transitions addressed are high stakes turning points that result in high rates of failure: a new role, special assignments, new team members, new organizational strategy or leadership.)

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Deliver rapid results during times of common leadership transitions
- Quickly recognize their business context and respond appropriately to it
- Create alignment with their team and manager
- Gain support from key individuals who will help drive success
- Enable their team to respond to transitions with speed and agility

High Performance Leadership

Audience: Mid-Level and senior-level leaders as well as high potential employees.

ILT - 1 day

Business Outcomes:

Leaders with enhanced ability to plan and take action to elevate their performance as leaders.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Elevate their performance as a leader
- Identify and address derailers that limit their leadership
- Seek information from others to inform future behavior
- Create a plan for implementing new effective leadership behaviors
- Increase their personal accountability for change

Skillful Conversations

Audience: All levels of leaders.

ILT - 1/2 day

Business Outcomes:

Leaders who are able to succeed in their relationships and performance by practicing a few key skills in their daily conversations.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Build clarity and accuracy when communicating
- Test the assumptions that underlie their communications in order to dismantle incorrect ones
- Use high-gain questions to enhance the skillfulness of their conversations
- Foster careful listening and speaking in order to ensure full understanding
- Identify their own strengths and areas for further development in skillful conversations

Building Trust Under Pressure: The Basic Principles

Audience: All leaders and emerging leaders who need to earn credibility and trust, build a wide network of effective relationships, maintain a positive work environment even under pressure, and defuse highly charged situations with others.

ILT - 1/2 day

vILT - 2 hour session

eLearning - 90 minutes

Business Outcomes:

Leaders with solid foundational leadership habits for building productivity and strong working relationships.

Learning Outcomes:

This program will enable your leaders to:

- Identify six Basic Principles for building credibility and trust with others in challenging situations
- Identify and use their Basic Principle strengths under pressure
- Use the Basic Principles to address problems and take positive action in challenging situations

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