

Critical Thinking

Length: One Day

Course Description: Critical thinking is the ability to correctly understand information, a situation, or problem from different perspectives in order to take or suggest the best possible action. In business, it's truly an essential skill for success-and a proven way to distinguish yourself and your organizational contributions. Critical thinking skills provide ways to arrive at better decisions with greater confidence and can help you clearly determine what matters in the face of any business challenge.

Utilizing models, application, and skills practice, this course gives you the knowledge and tools you need to effectively apply critical thinking in your organization. Rather than focusing on the science of critical thinking, the course explores the art of applying critical thinking skills in a business setting and gives you hands-on practice and feedback so you can use it immediately when you return to work.

How You Will Benefit

- Understand critical thinking and receive feedback and a roadmap to help you develop your critical thinking skills
- Learn and practice critical thinking skills and techniques
- Use critical thinking skills when making business decisions and taking action
- Select specific techniques to improve how you recognize assumptions, evaluate arguments, or draw conclusions
- Know how to take abstract ideas and make them more tangible
- Distinguish between fact and opinion more readily
- Be more aware of how emotion, time pressure, style, and limited resources affect your thought processes and decisions
- Recognize how critical thinking relates to other cognitive processes
- Promote critical thinking as a valuable practice in a high-performing workplace

What You'll Learn

- The value of using critical thinking in business
- Components of critical thinking
- How to obtaining feedback on critical thinking skills
- Use critical thinking in business situations

Who Needs to Attend

All business professionals who want to enhance their thinking processes to achieve better results in business.

Course Content

RECOGNIZING THE VALUE OF USING CRITICAL THINKING IN BUSINESS

- Defining critical thinking
- Characteristics of effective critical thinkers
- The role of critical thinking in meeting business challenges

UNDERSTANDING THE COMPONENTS OF CRITICAL THINKING

- Practices and techniques in each part of the framework

OBTAINING FEEDBACK ON CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS

- Recognizing the value of gaining insight into one's critical thinking skills
- Relating critical thinking skills to other business skills

USING CRITICAL THINKING IN BUSINESS SITUATIONS

- Personal situations where critical thinking has been and could be used

APPLYING CRITICAL THINKING IN BUSINESS SITUATIONS

- Practicing using critical thinking skills and techniques in a real business situation
 - Creating an initial action plan for developing critical thinking skills
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