Critical Thinking and Risk Taking with Purpose™

Overview

In this workshop, each participant will work though an actual business scenario in which a solution or next steps, using critical thinking and risk taking, need to be determined. A series of individual and small group action-learning activities are used to help the participant become proficient in a using a systems approach to critically think through solutions and recognize the risks and dependencies of individual components. Proven tools and approaches are provided and practiced for applying, discussing and discovering how to use critical thinking and risk taking for better decisions. Several systems models are presented for rational and non-rational thinking in individual and collaborative situations. At the close of the workshop, the participant will leave with a 100% completed plan that can be used in workplace to achieve defined objectives to meet measurable business results.

Learning Objectives

Upon the successful completion of the course the student will:

- Identify the importance and value of critical and creative thinking
- Objectively assess risk scenarios through critical analysis
- Apply the systems thinking process to assist critical and creative solutions
- Recognize levels of self-awareness and the effects on risk taking
- Conduct dialog and brainstorming sessions to draw out collective team member knowledge and value
- Simplify complex concepts through self-discovery and analysis
- Use information, judgment and logic to understand a problem or situation
- Prioritize the significant issues in a complex situation and appropriately evaluate alternatives
- Use creative tension to balance conflicting risks
- Understand the difference and value of tactical and strategic thinking
- Develop a workplace action plan
- Create a feedback measurement system to ensure the workplace action taken is delivering the needed results

Course Topics

Key topics covered within the course include:

- Critical and Creative Thinking
- Systems Thinking and Analysis
- Informed Risk Taking
- Priorities and Making Decisions
- Rational and Non-rational Thinking
- Creative Tension Balanced with Results
- Systems Solutions Delivery
- Defining Success Criteria
- Creating a Feedback and Measurement System