**LEADING ORGANIZATIONS** 

**ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP** 

**SYLLABUS** 

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### **OVERVIEW**

Organizational leadership, more commonly called strategic leadership, is a rare resource. We define organizational leadership as the ability to think, act, and influence others in ways that ensure the enduring success of an organization. Studies suggest fewer than 10% of leaders possess these essential skills. Company leaders often pressure their subordinate managers to show short-term results, so operational leadership replaces strategic leadership in such situations. Consequently, leaders feel paralyzed when complex problems arise—and these problems often have long-term implications.

This module examines the current thinking on organizational, which may also be known as strategic, leadership. Strategic leadership is the ability to think, act and influence others in ways that ensure the enduring success of an organization. Studies suggest fewer than 10% of leaders possess these essential skills. Leadership errors lie at the heart of failure. Strategic leadership causes success as much as it helps us avoid disasters.

This module is designed for managers and junior executives seeking to make the transition to organizational leader at the director, chief, vice president, or president levels. The module is based on our book, *Leading Organizations: Innovating for Performance Excellence* published in 2019. This book is used in conjunction with our Executive Education Program for new or emerging organizational leaders.

The module would also qualify for Continuing Education Units (CEU) for professional certifications with most any profession.

#### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

The learning outcomes for the module are as follows. With the completion of this module, learners should be able to:

- 1. Understand the concept of organizational leadership.
- 2. Apply the skills of an organizational leader.
- 3. Differentiate between the approaches to organizational strategy.
- 4. Appreciate why organizational leadership is critical to business success.

- 5. Know how to train and develop other leaders.
- 6. Apply the concepts in the workplace to become a better organizational leader.

## CURRICULUM

Section	<u>Topics</u>
Introduction	Module Purpose
	Module Overview
Understanding	Introduction
Organizational Leadership	<ul> <li>Seth Godin on the Difference Between Leadership and Management Video</li> </ul>
	Strategic Organizational Leadership
	Summary
Skills of Strategic	Introduction
Leadership	Roselinde Torres: What it Takes to be a Great Leader Video
	Anticipate, Challenge, Interpret, Decide, Align, and Learn
	Organizational Leadership Video
	Summary
Approaches to Strategy	Introduction
	Four Approaches to Set Strategy
	Summary
21 <sup>st</sup> Century Strategic Leadership	Introduction
	Leadership vs Management, What's the Difference? Video
	The Paradoxes of Leadership
	Simon Sinek: Why Leaders Eat Last Video
	Summary
Leadership Training that Works	Introduction
	Training Leaders on Leadership
	Summary
Module Summary, Reflective Questions, Case Studies, and Final Quiz	Summary
	Reflective Questions
	Case Studies
	Final Quiz

## **RESOURCES**

Oedekoven O. O., K. B. Venkateshiah, D. J. Gilbert, & D. K. Robbins (2019). Leading Organizations: Innovating for Performance Excellence. Gillette, Wyoming: Peregrine Pathways.

## ASSESSMENT

Throughout the module, there are in-progress quizzes and short exercises to ensure understanding of the instructional content. A completion certificate is issued when the learner obtains at least 80% on the final exam.

The learner must complete each module, case study questions, and reflection questions to be awarded a completion certificate for the program.

## HOURS AND ARTICULATION

Learner hours are shown in the following table. The hours are based on both the time within the module and time away from the module conducting application activities.

Section	<u>Hours</u>
Introduction	
Understanding Organizational Leadership	
Skills of Strategic Leadership	
Approaches to Strategy	
21 <sup>st</sup> Century Strategic Leadership	
Leadership Training that Works	
Module Summary, Reflective Questions, Case Studies, and Final Quiz	
Total Hours	6