

Business Acumen

Course Duration 1 Day

Through our Business Acumen workshop your participants will improve their judgment and decisiveness skills. Business Acumen is all about seeing the big picture and recognizing that all decisions no matter how small can have an effect on the bottom line. Your participants will increase their financial literacy and improve their business sense.

Business Acumen will give your participants an advantage everyone wishes they had. The workshop will help your participants recognize learning events, manage risk better, and increase their critical thinking. Business Acumen has the ability to influence your whole organization, and provide that additional edge that will lead to success.

Course Objectives

At the end of the course participants will be able to:

- Know how to see the big picture
- Develop a risk management strategy
- Know how to practice financial literacy
- Develop critical thinking
- Practice management acumen
- Find key financial levers

Course Outline

Seeing the Big Picture

Short and Long Term Interactions Recognize Growth Opportunities Mindfulness of Decisions Everything is Related

KPIs (Key Performance Indicators)

Decisiveness Flexible Strong Initiative Being Intuitive

Risk Management **Strategies**

Continuous Assessment Internal and External Factors Making Adjustments and Corrections Knowing When to Pull the Trigger or Plug

Recognizing Learning **Events**

Develop a Sense of Always Learning

Evaluate Past Decisions Problems Are Learning Opportunities Recognize Your Blind Spots

You Need to Know These **Answers and More**

What Makes My Company Money? What Were Sales Last Year? What is Our Profit Margin? What Were Our Costs?

Financial Literacy (I)

Assets Financial Ratios Liabilities Equity Financial Literacy (II)

Income Statement

Balance Sheet Cash Flow Statement Read, Read, and Read

Business Acumen in Management

Talent Management Change Management Asset Management Organizational Management

Critical Thinking in **Business**

Ask the Right Questions Organize Data Evaluate the Information Make the Decision

Key Financial Levers

Investing in People **Effective Communication** Process Improvement Goal Alignment