

Thinking with Critical Insight

Overview

Students will learn to explore challenges, defy incorrect assumptions, and look at things with new and differing perspectives, incorporating these insights into your thought processes, and enabling them to find solutions to even the most difficult tasks.

Target Audience

Professionals who want to make the best decisions and develop creative and elegant solutions to challenging problems.

Course Objectives

After completing this course, students will be able to:

- Enable you to evaluate, identify, and distinguish between relevant and irrelevant information
- Engage critical thinking through curiosity and your ability to ask good questions
- Apply the eight best practices of critical thinking in practice
- Leverage open mindedness to become more receptive and highly tuned for new ideas

Course Outline

1 - The Challenges of Modern Thinking

Becoming a Rational Thinker
Critical Thinking in Application
Applying Reason
Developing Open-Mindedness
Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone
Avoiding Jumping to Conclusions
Expecting and Initiating Change
Being Ready to Adapt
Thinking Logically

2 - Critical Thinking Best Practices

Listening Actively
Evaluating Information
Making Assumptions
Watching Out for Bias
Asking Clarifying Questions
Performing SWOT Analysis
Benefitting from Critical Thinking

3 - Putting It All Together

Changing Your Perspective
Considering Other Viewpoints
Dealing with New Information
Solving Problems
Identifying Inconsistencies
Asking Why
Evaluating the Solution
Retaining Your New Skills
Reflecting and Learning from Mistakes
Asking Questions on an Ongoing Basis
