

Implementing SAFe® with Certified SAFe® Program Consultant (SPC)

Course Summary

Description

While earning your SAFe Program Consultant (SPC) certification, this course will prepare you to:

Implement the Scaled Agile Framework® (SAFe®)

Train managers and executives in Leading SAFe and act as a SAFe Agilist (SA) certifying agent

Train teams in SAFe ScrumXP for Teams and act as a SAFe Practitioner (SP) certifying agent

The first two days of this class are an intensive version of Leading SAFe. The goal is to prepare certified SAFe Program Consultants (SPCs) to teach the course and act as a certifying agent for SAFe Agilists (SAs). You will also gain the knowledge necessary to lead an enterprise agile transformation by leveraging the Scaled Agile Framework and its underlying principles of lean thinking and product development flow. You will leave with an understanding of how the principles and practices of the framework support Agile Teams, Agile Programs, Agile Program Portfolio Management, and Agile Architecture.

In the second two days, you will gain the knowledge needed to identify, plan, and implement SAFe programs with Agile Release Trains. Further, you'll have the briefings, artifacts, and templates you need to identify the value streams, prepare the organization, launch agile programs, plan and execute the major events, and implement effective processes and measures for continuous program improvement.

Objectives

At the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Apply lean, agile, and product development flow principles to improve productivity, employee engagement, time to market, and quality
- Apply the Scaled Agile Framework based on lecture, real-world examples, and insights by Scaled Agile experts
- Employ the skills necessary for an enterprise transformation based on the information and examples presented, and additional recommended readings and resources
- Gain the insights into the leadership skill most effective in unlocking the intrinsic motivation of software development knowledge workers, and begin applying them in your context
- Find the value streams around which to organize the enterprise's Agile Release Trains
- Prepare the organization and the teams to launch the trains
- Interact at key program touch-points to "help keep the train on the tracks"
- Run Inspect and Adapt workshops for continuous program improvement
- Introduce the organization to the principles of program portfolio management and agile transformation

Topics

- Leading Safe (Days 1 & 2)
- Leading Safe (Days 3 & 4)

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Audience

This course is meant for consultants, managers, or leaders responsible for implementing Agile programs as part of an enterprise Lean-Agile change initiative. Students should arrive to class with an excellent grasp of Agile, and should have knowledge of SAFe practices. It is an accelerated course for those who are interested in earning their SAFe SCP Certification. Professionals who benefit from this course include:

- Executives
- Managers
- Change Agents
- Program and Project Managers
- Agile Coaches
- Scrum Masters
- Anyone helping lead the SAFe implementation

Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites for attending this course.

Duration

Four days

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Course Outline

- I. Leading SAFe – Days 1 & 2*
 - A. Introducing the Scaled Agile Framework (SAFe)
 - B. Embracing a Lean-Agile Mindset
 - C. Understanding SAFe Principles
 - D. Experiencing Program Increment (PI) Planning
 - E. Exploring, executing, and releasing value
 - F. Leading a Lean-Agile Enterprise
 - G. Empowering a Lean Portfolio
 - H. Building Large Solutions

- II. Implementing SAFe – Days 3 & 4*
 - A. Reaching the SAFe Tipping Point
 - B. Designing the Implementation
 - C. Launching an ART
 - D. Coaching ART Execution
 - E. Extending to the Portfolio
 - F. Sustaining and Improving
 - G. Becoming an SAFe 5 Program Consultant (SPC)