



Supporting the development of new and future leaders.



ACCELERATE INSTITUTE



### SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF LEADERS

# TACTICAL SKILLS TAUGHT IN AN INTENTIONAL COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS

Accelerate is a professional development program for new and future leaders focused on skill growth. The content included as part of the Accelerate Institute is designed to equip you with the tactical tools you will use on a daily basis in a leadership role.

### CONTENT THAT IS IMMEDIATELY APPLICABLE TO LEADERS AND THEIR ORGANIZATIONS

Our content is customized to your needs and goals, targeting the skill areas that you and your organization have identified as priorities for success. Each learner and their supervisor take a confidential pre-program assessment that allows us to focus on developing the skills that are most relevant to each cohort. We conclude each cohort with a post-program assessment to measure the growth that learners have experienced over the course of the program.

# CONVENIENT VIRTUAL COURSE DELIVERY

Delivered over the course of four months, Accelerate is designed to fit into a busy leader's schedule without requiring additional work outside of class. Our modules are delivered in an engaging format including small group discussions and time for individual reflection, ensuring you can immediately relate the material to your own environment and spheres of influence.

# PRODUCTIVITY PRIORITIES STRESS CONFLICT RESOLUTION DELEGATION MEETINGS FEEDBACK ACCOUNTABILITY CONVERSATIONS UNCONSCIOUS BIAS MANAGING UP TRUST COMMUNICATION INFLUENCE



# HOW IT WORKS

### FOUR CLASSES

The Accelerate Institute is delivered in four monthly classes in a cohort-style learning environment. In each cohort you will find a diverse group of leaders to learn and grow with from across industries. All classes are delivered virtually via Zoom. Each class is broken up into three 90-minute learning modules with breaks in between.

# FOUR COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE

One of the most enriching elements of a cohort-style learning environment is the opportunity to engage in peer coaching. You will learn from other dynamic leaders through monthly Community of Practice connection events. These 60-minute events allow you the opportunity to talk about how you are incorporating the material taught in the previous class and trouble-shoot in a constructive safe space about challenges you face.

### SMALL GROUP COACHING SESSION

Accelerate participants benefit from small group coaching sessions led by an expert facilitator. These collaborative mentoring sessions are focused on skill transfer, helping you apply the ideas and best practices from class to your real-world environment in tangible ways.

### **MATERIALS**

All participants receive a sidekick resource that is specific to the content that their cohort will be focusing on. This working document is used as a guide throughout the cohort and remains as a resource upon completion of the program.

### COMMUNITY

Graduates of Accelerate are welcomed into an exclusive community of fellow leaders. You will have career-long access that enables you to foster organizational relationships, network with other values driven leaders, and tap into a safe environment for advice and peer-to-peer coaching.

The content about leadership was fantastic and FOCUS did a great job bringing the content to life. But the real magic was sharing the experience with people that aren't in your organization. Hearing other perspectives and insights helped me to examine my leadership effectiveness and challenged me to implement some fresh ideas with my team.



# **SPRING 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# **ORIENTATION**

# Wednesday, January 24

4:00 - 5:00 PM CST Participants and their supervisors are encouraged to attend.

### **CLASS DATES**

1 Feb 6, 2024

2 Mar 5, 2024

**3** Apr 2, 2024

4 May 7, 2024

9:00 AM - 3:30 PM CST \_\_

### **COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE REINFORCEMENT EVENTS**

Feb 21, 2024

2 Mar 20, 2024

**3** Apr 17, 2024

4 May 22, 2024

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CST \_

# GRADUATION

### Wednesday, May 29

4:00 - 5:00 PM CST Participants and their supervisors are encouraged to attend.





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