

CRITICAL TRAINING SOLUTIONS, L.L.C.

Critical Thinking and Decision Making

Critical Thinking is our signature training subject, and we have devoted assiduous resources to creating an energetic, client-driven course in the art and the science of critical thinking. These critical thinking principles inform every subject we teach. Armed with the new and powerful light that critical thinking shines on your work, you and your organization will blast through the problem-solving dilemma, make clear, defensible decisions, and create new paths to success.



Course Data

Training Schedule: 2-Day Course, 6 hours per day

Typical Audience: Decision-makers, Leaders, Technical Staff, Professional Staff

Best Class Size: 25 Attendees

Format: Lecture, Case-studies, Problem Solving Models, Attendee-driven Problem Solving

Training Objectives

- Recognize and break through barriers to clear thinking.
- Understand alternative systems of thought, and when to use them.
- Construct sound and defensible proposals, arguments, and positions.
- Evaluate data, how it was gathered, and how it impacts decisions.
- Find new and energetic paths to negotiate with, influence, and motivate others
- Exercise new options in problem solving and issue resolution.
- Streamline processes through reduction of redundant or unnecessary actions.
- Solve the real problem, spend less energy solving problems that do not exist.

Course Summary

- Critical Thinking: What it is, how to do it, when to use it.
- Low Order and High Order Thinking
- Six Cognitive Skills of Critical Thinking
- Statements, Premises, and other elements for creating sound arguments.
- Fallacies: How to recognize them, how to avoid using them.
- Infusing problem-solving models with Critical Thinking
- Introduction to Lateral Thinking
- The Seven Directions approach to decision making.
- Using Evaluative Thinking to look back and to look ahead.