

Team Kanban Practitioner (TKP)

Duration: 1 Day

Course Description:

The Kanban Method is a knowledge work management approach for teams and organizations seeking a humane way to improve their products and services. It teaches organizations how to understand, visualize, and measure work systems to consistently deliver effective results. The Team Kanban Practitioner (TKP) certification is a 1-day course that serves as an ideal first step for teams and leaders looking to organize their work. By learning the core concepts of the Kanban Method and educating team members to be "good Kanban citizens," you will enhance visibility, communication, and collaboration within your team.

Target Audience:

The Team Kanban Practitioner course offers an ideal starting point for both team members and leaders seeking to grasp the fundamental concepts of Kanban. While newcomers will benefit from this introductory course, those with more experience might prefer to begin directly with the Kanban System Design course—the best choice ultimately depends on your specific circumstances and goals. We welcome participants of all experience levels, and no prior Kanban knowledge or training is necessary to join.

Course Objectives:

- Understand the basics, motivation, and benefits of the Kanban Method for your team.
- Experience the benefit of WIP limits to improve flow.
- Learn how to run Kanban meetings to focus on the work and allow the team to organize around it.
- Learn how to proceed to the next level with Kanban and apply the first practices in your day-to-day work.
- Become faster and more responsive, with better risk management and governance.
- Understand "Pull" systems and how they help reduce overburdening.
- Learn how to track System Led Time to build and utilize Lead Time distributions.

Course Outlines:

What is Kanban Method?

- This module explains the fundamentals of Kanban, its origins, and how it helps teams manage workflow efficiently. You'll learn how Kanban visualizes work, limits work in progress (WIP), and enhances team collaboration. This module will also cover key Kanban principles, their role in improving delivery speed, and how they support continuous improvement through empirical feedback.

Getting started with Kanban

- This module begins with understanding its core principles—visualizing work, limiting work in progress (WIP), and managing flow. In the Team Kanban Practitioner (TKP) Certification, candidates will learn how to identify work items, implement Kanban boards, set WIP limits, and use feedback loops to improve efficiency. They'll also explore Kanban meetings, collaboration techniques, and continuous improvement strategies to enhance team productivity. By applying these practices, candidates will gain the skills to optimize workflows, reduce bottlenecks, and drive better project outcomes.

Learn the Six General Practices of the Kanban Method

- In this module, candidates will learn the Six General Practices of the Kanban Method to enhance team efficiency and workflow management. They will discover how to visualize work and its movement, ensuring better transparency and collaboration. By limiting work in progress (WIP), they will improve focus and prevent overload. Candidates will also learn to manage flow by identifying and addressing bottlenecks, while making policies explicit ensures clear and shared understanding among team members. They will explore how to establish feedback loops at the right cadence for continuous improvement and apply an experimental approach to drive sustainable, data-driven process enhancements.

Learn the Three Change Management Principles

- In this module, you will learn the Three Change Management Principles that guide successful Kanban adoption. You'll understand how to start where you are, making incremental improvements without disrupting existing processes. You'll explore the importance of evolutionary change, allowing teams to adapt gradually for sustainable growth. Finally, you'll discover how acts of leadership at all levels empower teams to take ownership, drive improvements, and foster a culture of continuous learning.

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