

# Supply Chain Leadership Academy

## 2025 Virtual Sprints



### Manufacturing as a Strategic Variable

Leaders will consider how all areas of supply chain can begin to seize opportunities borne of new capabilities and capacities in manufacturing.

Jan. 13 - 17  
Register by  
Jan. 7

### Risk and Agility: Week 1, Building Continuity and Resiliency in Your Supply Chain<sup>1</sup>

Leaders will learn how supply chain teams can prepare by analyzing and managing risks, and putting continuity plans in place to minimize impacts from disruptions.

Jan. 27 - 31  
Register by  
Jan. 21

### Assessing Your Supply Chain Alignment and Collaboration

Leaders will define actions to improve alignment and collaboration in one area of the supply chain while considering people, process technology and other success factors.

Feb. 10 - 14  
Register by  
Feb. 4

### Risk and Agility: Week 2, Managing Supplier Risk<sup>1</sup>

Leaders learn to use tools and techniques to identify and prioritize risks, analyze risks and develop treatment mechanisms to either prevent the risk from happening, or minimize the consequences if a risk event occur

Feb 24 - 28  
Register by  
Feb. 18\*

### Competitive Implications of Demand Planning

Leaders discuss ways to improve inventory practices, and discover why cross-functional processes like Sales & Operations Planning (S&OP) are needed to rationalize multiple forecasts and align planning practices across multiple functions.

Mar. 10 - 14  
Register by  
Mar. 4

### Risk and Agility: Week 3, Improving Supply Chain Agility<sup>1</sup>

Leaders discuss why supply chain agility it needed to respond quickly to that volatility without disrupting the performance of the supply chain.

Mar. 24 - 28  
Register by  
Mar. 18

### Strategic Sourcing for Improved Performance

Leaders learn supplier relationships classification, the best way to manage each type of supplier, and factors that decisions in insource vs. outsource and local vs. global suppliers.

Apr. 7 - 11  
Register by  
Apr. 1

### Total Cost of Ownership: Week 1, Selecting and Managing TCO Projects<sup>2</sup>

Leaders will explore the Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) approach and understand the importance of developing strong TCO behaviors for successful procurement.

Apr. 21 - 25  
Register by  
Apr. 15



### **Finding Opportunities in Your End-to-End Supply Chain**

Leaders learn why globalization, new technologies, omnichannel strategies, sustainability, and other factors are forcing supply chains to evolve.

**May 5 - 9**  
**Register by**  
**April 29**

### **Total Cost of Ownership: Week 2, Preparing for TCO Analysis<sup>2</sup>**

Leaders will use the TCO framework to identify and prepare for valuable cost analysis projects.

**May 19 - 23**  
**Register by**  
**May 13**

### **Future of Procurement: Week 1, Improving Procurement Practices<sup>3</sup>**

Leaders learn why it is increasingly critical to set standards for selecting suppliers, create scorecards to monitor and manage supplier performance, and develop suppliers in efforts to strengthen their capabilities.

**Jun. 2 - 6**  
**Register by**  
**May 27\***

### **Total Cost of Ownership: Week 3, Should Cost Modeling and Success Factors<sup>2</sup>**

Leaders will delve into should cost models to better understand pricing strategies and improve how the organization negotiates with its suppliers.

**Jun 23 - 27**  
**Register by**  
**June 17**

### **Future of Procurement: Week 2, Exploring the Coming Evolution of Procurement Practices<sup>3</sup>**

Leaders discuss how procurement teams are shifting from the traditional role of controlling costs to learning how to address complex value chains, evaluating the trade-off between efficiency and speed, and rapidly respond to change.

**Jul 7 - 11**  
**Register by**  
**July 1**

### **Leading Successful Projects: Week 1, The Case for Project Management<sup>4</sup>**

The ability to plan, schedule, and control projects has become an essential leadership capability for all business leaders. In Week 1 of this series, leaders will learn how to organize and kick off a project.

**Jul. 21 - 25**  
**Register by**  
**July 15**

### **Future of Procurement: Week 3, Using Digital Tools to Increase Speed<sup>3</sup>**

Leaders discuss how procurement teams are shifting from the traditional role of controlling costs to learning how to address complex value chains, evaluating the tradeoff between efficiency and speed, and rapidly respond to change.

**Aug. 4 - 8**  
**Register by**  
**Jul. 29**

### **Leading Successful Projects: Week 2, Project Initiation and Planning<sup>4</sup>**

The ability to plan, schedule, and control projects has become an essential leadership capability for all business leaders. In Week 2 of this series, leaders will learn how to create a Work Breakdown Structure (WBS).

**Aug. 18 - 22**  
**Register by**  
**Aug. 12**

### **Supply Chain Alignment and Orchestration**

Leaders use frameworks to evaluate alignment and collaboration, categorize functional areas, and evaluate ways to develop new synergies when managing client returns, moving from a demand-driven to market-driven network

**Sep. 8 - 12**  
**Register by**  
**Sept. 2**





**Leading Successful Projects: Week 3, Project Execution**

The ability to plan, schedule, and control projects has become an essential leadership capability for all business leaders. In Week 3 of this series, leaders will learn how to monitor planning and budgets, manage the critical path of a project, and bring a project to a successful completion.

**Sep. 22 - 26**  
**Register by**  
**Sept. 16**

**Strategic Leadership Within Your Supply Chain Organization**

Leaders learn how cross-functional collaboration, analytical tools, optimization software and other factors make best-in-class supply chains so efficient and effective.

**Oct. 6 - 10**  
**Register by**  
**Sept. 30**

**Logistics Series: Week 1, Critical Decisions in Logistics Management**

Leaders will improve awareness of their organization's inbound and outbound logistics capabilities and increase their knowledge of the types of warehousing and distribution centers their organization utilizes and future options available.

**Oct. 20 - 24**  
**Register by**  
**Oct. 14**

**Defining Ways to Improve Your Supply Chain**

Leaders will learn to compare and prioritize opportunities by collecting data, evaluating cost/benefit, considering ease of implementation, and assessing risk for each opportunity.

**Nov. 3 - 7**  
**Register by**  
**Oct. 28**

**Logistics Series: Week 2, Optimizing Distribution Network Strategy**

Leaders will begin to understand how underperforming distribution centers, rising fuel prices, expansion into new regions, and other related factors impact distribution.

**Nov. 17 - 21**  
**Register by**  
**Nov. 11**

**Aligning Supply Chain Goals with Your Corporate Strategy**

Leaders consider how process-led transformation work that could strengthen the alignment between the supply chain strategy and the company's strategic priorities.

**Dec. 1 - 5**  
**Register by**  
**Nov. 25**

**Logistics Series: Week 3, Evaluating Opportunities with Third Party Logistics Providers**

Leaders increase their awareness of how inbound and outbound logistics and warehousing and distribution center performance all improve when transportation and facilities networks are strengthened.

**Dec. 15 - 19**  
**Register by**  
**Dec. 9**