

Critical Thinking Course

Develop and enhance critical thinking abilities, learn to make informed decisions and engage in thoughtful analysis.

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Course Outline

Module 1: Critical, Mechanical, and Emotional Thinking

- Define and compare critical, mechanical, and emotional thinking
- Explore how emotional and mechanical thought processes limit critical thinking
- Learn to recognize and manage emotional responses to improve objectivity
- Apply Bloom's Taxonomy to understand levels of critical thinking

Module 2: Building Logical Arguments

- Evaluate the reliability and credibility of sources using the CRAAP test
- Differentiate between facts and opinions, and recognize bias in information
- Construct valid arguments with premises, inferences, and conclusions
- Analyze faulty logic and identify common logical fallacies

Module 3: Deeper Thinking in the Workplace

- Apply frameworks like Bloom's Taxonomy and Socratic questioning
- Use visual tools such as cause-effect charts and Venn diagrams to analyze ideas
- Practice inductive and deductive reasoning for decision-making
- Recognize assumptions and avoid logical fallacies in workplace situations

Module 4: Applying Critical Thinking in the Workplace

- Utilize critical thinking to improve team collaboration and problem-solving
- Assess your own contributions and self-reflect to strengthen decision-making
- Practice applying critical thinking strategies to real workplace dilemmas
- Make informed decisions by evaluating information thoroughly and objectively