

Training Course on Strategic Communication and Persuasion for Executive Influence

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	CEOs and Directors	Duration	10 Days
Base Fee	\$3,000 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Develop a commanding executive presence through refined verbal and non-verbal communication, enhancing gravitas and authority.
2. Learn the art of **strategic storytelling** to create impactful messages that resonate emotionally and intellectually with diverse audiences.
3. Apply advanced **persuasion techniques** and **behavioral economics** principles to influence decisions ethically and effectively.
4. Confidently lead and resolve **difficult conversations** and negotiations with tact and strategic foresight.
5. Develop robust **stakeholder engagement strategies** to foster buy-in, manage expectations, and build strong relationships.
6. Acquire comprehensive **crisis management** and **reputation management** skills to protect organizational integrity and brand equity.
7. Master **digital communication strategies**, including social media and online platforms, for effective executive branding and outreach.
8. Utilize communication as a strategic tool to align teams, departments, and initiatives with overarching **organizational goals**.
9. Develop proficiency in **intercultural communication** to lead diverse global teams and engage international stakeholders.
10. Cultivate **transparent communication** and **emotional intelligence** to build trust and inspire loyalty within the organization.
11. Implement **communication analytics** and KPIs to assess the effectiveness of strategic communication initiatives and demonstrate ROI.
12. Effectively communicate and drive **organizational change** initiatives, minimizing resistance and maximizing adoption.
13. Create a tailored **personal communication strategy** and influence plan for continuous leadership development.

Organizational Benefits

- Equip executives with superior communication and persuasion skills, leading to more effective decision-making and implementation.

- Improve internal and external stakeholder engagement, fostering trust, collaboration, and stronger partnerships.
- Develop robust crisis communication capabilities, enabling swift and effective responses to mitigate risks and protect organizational reputation.
- Facilitate smoother transitions during periods of change by effectively communicating vision, benefits, and expectations.
- Foster a culture of transparency and open communication, leading to higher employee morale, productivity, and retention.
- Position the organization as a thought leader and trusted entity through consistent, compelling, and strategic messaging.
- Promote cross-functional collaboration and knowledge sharing through clear and persuasive internal communication.
- Enable the tracking and demonstration of tangible returns on communication investments.

Target Audience

1. C-suite Executives
2. Senior Vice Presidents and Directors
3. Heads of Departments and Divisions
4. Emerging Leaders slated for executive roles
5. Public Relations and Corporate Communications Leaders
6. Board Members and Governance Professionals
7. High-Potential Managers and Team Leaders
8. Consultants and Advisors working with executive clients

Course Outline

Module 1: Foundations of Strategic Executive Communication

- Defining strategic communication in a leadership context.
- The psychological underpinnings of influence and persuasion.
- Understanding communication models for executive impact.
- Identifying key audiences and tailoring initial messages.
- **Case Study:** Analyzing a Fortune 500 CEO's annual report and shareholder letter for strategic messaging.

Module 2: Cultivating Executive Presence and Authority

- Non-verbal communication: Body language, gestures, and vocalics for impact.
- Verbal communication: Clarity, conciseness, and impactful language.
- Developing an authentic and commanding leadership voice.
- Strategies for projecting confidence and credibility.
- **Case Study:** Examining political leaders' communication styles during major speeches for executive presence.

Module 3: The Art of Persuasion and Influence

- Ethos, Pathos, Logos: Applying Aristotle's rhetorical appeals.
- Cognitive biases and how to leverage them ethically in persuasion.
- Framing effects and their impact on decision-making.
- Building rapport and establishing trust for influential communication.
- **Case Study:** Deconstructing successful negotiation strategies from high-profile business deals.

Module 4: Crafting Compelling Narratives and Storytelling

- The power of storytelling in executive communication.
- Structuring impactful narratives for various business contexts (pitches, presentations, internal memos).
- Using data to support and enhance storytelling.
- Techniques for making complex information relatable and memorable.
- **Case Study:** Analyzing how a non-profit organization used storytelling to secure significant funding.

Module 5: Advanced Stakeholder Engagement Strategies

- Identifying and mapping critical internal and external stakeholders.
- Developing tailored communication plans for diverse stakeholder groups.
- Strategies for managing expectations and building long-term relationships.
- Facilitating productive dialogue and feedback loops.
- **Case Study:** Examining a company's communication strategy during a merger or acquisition to manage employee and investor concerns.

Module 6: Mastering High-Stakes Conversations and Negotiations

- Preparing for difficult conversations: Emotional intelligence and active listening.
- Techniques for de-escalating tension and finding common ground.
- Negotiation frameworks: Win-win outcomes and principled negotiation.
- Delivering feedback and addressing performance issues constructively.
- **Case Study:** Role-playing a negotiation scenario between a labor union and management.

Module 7: Crisis Communication and Reputation Management

- Developing a comprehensive crisis communication plan.
- Responding effectively to media inquiries and public scrutiny during a crisis.
- Protecting and rebuilding organizational reputation.
- Social media crisis management: Real-time monitoring and response.
- **Case Study:** Analyzing a major corporate scandal and its communication fallout, identifying best and worst practices.

Module 8: Digital Communication and Executive Branding

- Leveraging LinkedIn and other professional platforms for executive branding.
- Crafting engaging digital content: Blogs, articles, and video messages.
- Managing online presence and digital footprint.
- Understanding the nuances of different digital channels.
- **Case Study:** Evaluating the digital presence and communication strategy of a prominent industry leader.

Module 9: Media Relations and Public Speaking for Executives

- Preparing for media interviews: Key messages and soundbites.
- Techniques for effective public speaking and presentations.
- Handling challenging questions from journalists and audiences.
- Developing a clear and impactful delivery style.
- **Case Study:** Critiquing a live public speaking event by a CEO or political figure.

Module 10: Driving Organizational Alignment through Communication

- Aligning communication strategy with organizational vision and mission.
- Communicating strategic priorities and their implications.
- Fostering a culture of transparent and open internal communication.
- Measuring the effectiveness of internal communication initiatives.
- **Case Study:** Analyzing how a company successfully rolled out a new company-wide strategy through internal communication.

Module 11: Leading Change Through Effective Communication

- The communication imperative in organizational change.
- Strategies for communicating difficult decisions and transitions.
- Building buy-in and managing resistance to change.
- Sustaining communication throughout the change process.
- **Case Study:** Examining the communication challenges and successes of a major organizational restructuring.

Module 12: Intercultural Communication for Global Leaders

- Understanding cultural dimensions and their impact on communication.
- Adapting communication styles for diverse cultural contexts.
- Navigating language barriers and non-verbal cultural differences.
- Building effective cross-cultural teams and partnerships.
- **Case Study:** Analyzing a cross-border business negotiation with specific attention to cultural communication breakdowns and successes.

Module 13: Ethical Considerations in Strategic Communication

- Maintaining transparency and integrity in all communications.
- Addressing ethical dilemmas in persuasive messaging.
- The role of authenticity and credibility in building trust.
- Legal and compliance aspects of corporate communication.
- **Case Study:** Discussing ethical missteps in corporate communication and their consequences.

Module 14: Measuring Communication Impact and ROI

- Defining key performance indicators (KPIs) for communication.
- Tools and techniques for measuring communication effectiveness.
- Analyzing audience engagement and sentiment.
- Demonstrating the tangible return on investment for communication initiatives.
- **Case Study:** Developing a measurement framework for a simulated strategic communication campaign.

Module 15: Developing a Personal Executive Influence Blueprint

- Self-assessment of current communication and persuasion strengths.
- Identifying areas for personal growth and development.
- Creating a personalized action plan for continuous improvement.
- Mentorship and coaching strategies for sustained executive influence.
- **Case Study:** Participants present their individual executive influence blueprints and receive peer and expert feedback.

Training Methodology

This course employs a highly interactive and practical methodology, blending theoretical frameworks with real-world application. Key components include:

- **Experiential Learning:** Role-playing, simulations, and interactive exercises to practice new skills in a safe environment.
- **Case Studies:** In-depth analysis of successful and unsuccessful communication scenarios from diverse industries.
- **Expert-Led Workshops:** Direct instruction and facilitation by seasoned communication and leadership professionals.
- **Peer Coaching & Feedback:** Opportunities for participants to provide and receive constructive feedback on their communication style.
- **Personalized Coaching (Optional):** One-on-one sessions with instructors for tailored guidance and development.
- **Group Discussions:** Collaborative learning and knowledge sharing among participants.
- **Practical Tools & Frameworks:** Provision of actionable templates and methodologies for immediate workplace application.
- **Real-world Application Project:** Participants will apply learned concepts to a real-world communication challenge within their organization.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

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Key Notes

- a. The participant must be conversant with English.
- b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$3,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
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