

LEADING SAFe® WITH CERTIFIED SAFe® AGILIST (SA)

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New to the Scaled Agile Framework ? Leading SAFe® offers an introduction to the foundations of SAFe and provides the principles and practices required to drive a Lean-Agile transformation.

SAFe serves as a guide to harmonize Agile development practices across an entire organization. Traditionally, organizations begin their Agile journey by focusing on individual teams, starting with a pilot team, and then moving on to transition other teams individually. However, this approach may not effectively integrate each team's efforts with the larger stakeholder requirements. The Scaled Agile Framework provides established techniques to align multiple teams to work together at the program level, and ultimately how to align multiple programs into a portfolio to maximize the value delivered to shareholders.

In this two-day SAFe Agilist (SA) certification course, you will gain the guidance and tools to build a culture of resiliency and a shared language that engages employees and focuses on customers so that your organization can work with agility at scale. By implementing Lean Software Development and Product Development Flow, you will understand how to create longer programs, referred to as Agile Release Trains, where groups of Agile teams collaborate to optimize quality and velocity to deliver even greater value to their stakeholders.

Real-World Exercises: In this course, learners will apply the concepts taught in class by breaking out into small groups or teams and completing hands-on, scenario-based exercises related to each module.

*Exam Voucher Included

What You'll Learn

- Learn strategies to lead an enterprise-wide Agile transformation.
- What is SAFe?
- What is business agility and how does SAFe support it?
- How does an organization get started with the Scaled Agile Framework®?
- How to apply Agile, Lean, and Product Development Flow principles to your organization beyond just the IT department.
- How to establish Team and Technical Agility and organize around the flow of

value

- How to align massive organizations around clear, common objectives
- How to participate successfully in critical SAFe events, such as PI Planning
- How to adopt a customer-centric mindset
- Prepare yourself to successfully pass the SAFe Agilist Certification Exam.

Who Needs to Attend

While all members of an Agile team can benefit from taking this SAFe Agilist certification course, it is particularly relevant for individuals leading the initiative to adopt and scale Lean and Agile principles and practices through the Scaled Agile Framework™. This course is ideally suited for:

- Executives
- Managers
- Change Agents
- Program Managers
- Coaches
- Anyone helping lead a SAFe implementation.

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VIRTUAL CLASSROOM LIVE

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2 Day

Virtual Classroom Live Outline

1. What is SAFe?

An introduction to the Scaled Agile Framework™

- SAFe Implementation Strategy
- History of SAFe
- SAFe Core Values

2. Lean Thinking

An overview of Lean Software Development and Product Development Flow

- Lean Tools
- House of Quality
- Optimal Batch Size
- Product Development Flow
- Controlling Flow Under Uncertainty
- Decentralized Control
- Value Stream Mapping

3. Agile Development

Learn how to implement Agile development principles and practices throughout the entire enterprise and discover the business benefits that can be achieved through this transformation.

- Accelerating Value Delivery
- Brief Agile Overview
- Business Benefits
- Case Studies

4. SAFe at the Team Level

You will gain hands-on experience with SAFe practices for teams, which includes utilizing Scrum and XP methods. The focus will be on technical, project management, and economic prioritization practices that facilitate scaling across teams, as well as up to the program and portfolio levels.

- Overview of Scrum plus XP in SAFe
- Learn about the different roles in ScrumXP and how they function within the framework.
- Explore the concept of "Ba" and its importance in facilitating effective teamwork and collaboration.
- Understand how to size and estimate backlogs effectively.
- Develop skills in estimating and planning tasks accurately.
- Learn about maintaining code quality and continuous integration in Agile development.

5. SAFe at the Program Level

Discover how to identify, implement, and execute an Agile Release Train (ART) within your organization. An ART is a durable program where teams-of-agile-teams work together to enhance quality and velocity delivery for the enterprise's broader value streams.

- Gain an understanding of the Agile Release Train (ART) and its purpose.
- Learn about the Rules of an ART, including the principles and practices that govern its operations.
- Identify new roles that may be required when implementing an ART.
- Explore how to identify opportunities for ART implementation within your organization.
- Develop a Program Vision and Roadmap that aligns with your organization's strategic goals.
- Learn how to optimize ROI and understand the Economics of the Cost of Delay when planning and executing an ART.
- Estimate the duration of the ART and its various components.
- Create a Release Plan and effectively manage the Agile Release Train.

6. SAFe at the Portfolio Level

Explore the concept of Agile Portfolio Management and the corresponding Agile transformational patterns, which includes topics such as Strategy and Investment Funding, Program Management, and Governance.

- Gain an understanding of Portfolio Program Management (PPM) and its purpose.
- Learn about the role of PPM in Strategy and Investment Funding.
- Understand how PPM plays a role in Governance and effective decision-making.
- Explore strategies for dealing with Legacy Mindsets and overcoming resistance to change.
- Discover 8 Transformational Patterns for Agile Portfolio Program Management (PPM).

7. Agile Architecture

Learn about the principles of Agile Architecture, the responsibilities of Enterprise and System Architects in the context of SAFe, and how to apply architectural practices within an evolutionary, continuous-flow model of development.

- Explore the role of Architecture in the context of SAFe.
- Learn about the relationship between Agile Release Trains (ARTs) and System Architecture.
- Discover the 7 Principles of Agile Architecture.
- Understand the concept of SAFe's Architectural Runway

8. Scaling Leadership How to scale Lean and Agile leadership across the enterprise.

- Transform into a Lean | Agile Leader.
- Learn effective techniques for managing knowledge workers.
- Develop skills for creating and articulating product vision and purpose.
- Analyze the value stream to identify opportunities for improvement.
- Gain strategies for assessing Agile teams and their performance.
- Develop coaching skills to support teams through the use of powerful questions

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