Forward-thinking firms understand that innovation is too important to be left to chance. Yet many organizations don’t understand the art and science of applying innovation as a practical and systematic business strategy.

In this program, you will discover how to be more productive and to increase your level of innovation. You will understand how organizational elements interact in ways that can enhance the generation, growth and implementation of new ideas—and how to overcome the organizational, interpersonal and competitive forces that can stifle innovation.

Through case studies and interactive exercises, you’ll learn a framework for how to identify opportunities for innovation, the hurdles to overcome and how to create a culture that nurtures business-building innovation.

The Bottom Line Value to You and Your Organization
You’ll learn ideas and techniques you can apply right away, including:
- Proven methods for generating, assessing and implementing ideas in your organization
- How to overcome the barriers to innovation
- Strategies for building a culture that makes innovation an everyday part of your organization

“This class gives you tools to create positive change in your organization. It is well worth the investment.”

“No matter what your profession, this program provides valuable tools and lessons you can apply to your everyday work.”

David Owens, PhD
Professor for the Practice of Management and Innovation
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David Owens’s research has been featured in the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, the London Guardian and NPR’s Marketplace. His work in the area of business strategy, innovation process and product development has included engagements with NASA, LEGO and Bristol-Myers Squibb. He has also performed product design consulting work for a variety of firms including Daimler Benz, Apple Computer and Coleman Camping. Most recently, while on leave from Vanderbilt University, Owens served as CEO of Griffin Technology Inc., the largest consumer electronics firm in the MP3/iPod accessory market space.

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Classes typically run from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM (Central). Breaks are scheduled in AM, PM and for lunch. Schedule is subject to change.

Who Should Attend
- Senior executives
- Small business owners
- Entrepreneurs
- Technology managers
- Project managers
- Managers of all levels
- Rising supervisors

Cost
$1,980
Cost includes tuition, instructional materials, continental breakfast and lunch (all days).

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