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About the Class

Purple Belt is team-based and process-focused training workshop for all employees interested in Lean. You will learn the skills to plan and participate in a variety of improvement projects, such as a Kaizen Event, A3 Project, and Express Workout.

The Purple Belt program consists of three non-consecutive workshop style training days separated approximately 1 month apart. Between classroom sessions, teams will meet to complete project related tasks. The culmination of classroom training and field work will prepare the team to execute a Lean improvement event in order to become Purple Belt certified.

Prerequisites

A Blue Belt sponsor must identify an Improvement Coach, draft a project charter, and identify the members of a Purple Belt team. All team members must attend Yellow Belt Orientation prior to attending Purple Belt. Team size is limited to 6 participants, not including the Improvement Coach.

Enroll

Purple Belt is offered monthly, and tracks fill quickly. To enroll, submit a "Request for Enrollment" to oe@unchealth.unc.edu.

Additional Information

Please wear layers to maintain a comfortable temperature. We recommend no skirts/dresses, due to the nature of the activities. For more details, please visit the Operational Efficiency website.

Certification

You must attend 100% of training, pass an open-book test with 80% correct and participate in a Kaizen Event (3-5 days) or A3 Project that receives Blue Belt sponsor sign-off. Certified Purple Belts are expected to participate in at least 2 projects per year, and may be asked to participate on events for which they are key stakeholders. Occasionally, you may be contacted for your availability to participate in events outside your area as a 'visiting team' member.