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MODULE 1: INTRODUCTION TO DESIGN THINKING

Learn a practical definition of Design Thinking and the ways it's used to solve business, technology and social problems across industries.

- Define Design Thinking as an effective approach to creative problem-solving.
- Understand how human-centered design and methodology influence Design Thinking.
- Review of practices and case studies of Design Thinking in the real world.

MODULE 2: DESIGNING FOR EMPATHY

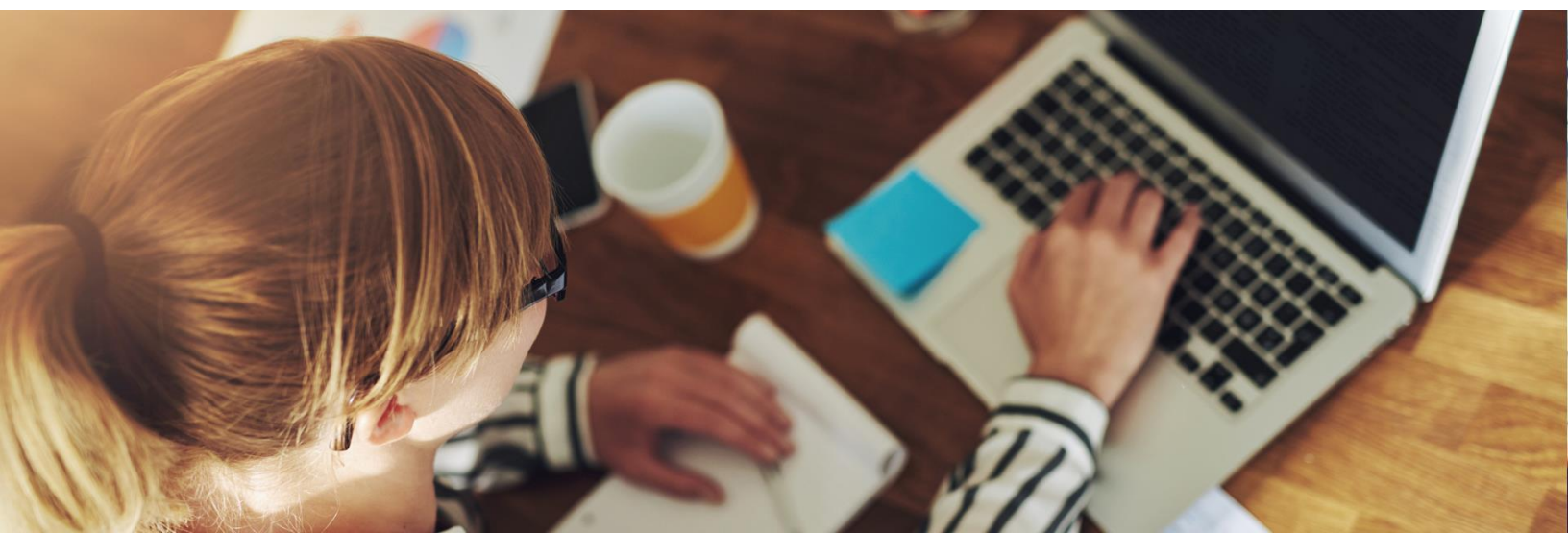
Evaluate case studies to understand and apply empathy in business environments. Discover the value of empathy-based research and elicitation.

- Identify effective approaches and tools for research.
- Draft conversations and interviews that honor stakeholders.
- Frame problem statements that facilitate problem-solving.

MODULE 3: INTRODUCTION TO VISUALIZATION

Discover the most common visualization tools in Design Thinking and the best methods for collaborating to understand, explore and discover ideas.

- Align the right visualizations to the right Design Thinking tools.
- Learn the visualization tools that best fit specific challenges.
- Explore the use of visualization tools in real-life scenarios.





MODULE 4: PERSONA & JOURNEY MAPPING DESIGN

Understand the importance of customer experience-based visualizations that help define customer attributes and their experiences with your products, services and stakeholders.

- Create personas that describe stakeholder characteristics.
- Build journey maps that help define critical moments of truth.
- Identify the right tools to successfully measure customer experience.

MODULE 5: IDEATION IN THE DESIGN THINKING PROCESS

Discover the concept of ideation as a process for developing, communicating and synthesizing prescriptive ideas to others to solve the right problem.

- Develop creative processes for developing new ideas.
- Understand mind-mapping and brainstorming approaches.
- Learn best practices for ideation workshops.

MODULE 6: PROTOTYPING

Uncover potential approaches for prototyping concepts, products and services that solve problems in collaboration with the people experiencing the problem.

- Understand low and high-fidelity prototyping.
- Design approaches for bringing ideas to life.
- Discuss prototyping approaches and tools.





MODULE 7: VALIDATION

Leverage previous module knowledge of ideation and prototype design to help design thinkers properly test and validate ideas and prototypes.

- Identify methods for researching and validating outcomes.
- Evaluate recommendations for stakeholder collaboration and participation.
- Develop considerations for design validation.

MODULE 8: IMPLEMENTATION & APPLICATION

Create a plan for implementing Design Thinking principles and tools at your organization and for aligning with the ROI of internal projects and stakeholders.

- Develop processes for deployment and launch.
- Explore collaboration methods with stakeholders and success partners.
- Design plans for applying Design Thinking at your organization.

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JC QUINTANA

The author of *Serious Relationships* and *Speaking Frankly About Customer Relationship Management*, JC focuses on business relationship success. He is a fervent believer in the importance of winning and keeping customers, employees, and business partners through similar relationship-building strategies.



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Lisa is an experienced designer and communication strategist with a career that spans over 30 years and includes more than 1,000 consulting engagements. Her firm uses Design Thinking to engage end-users in crafting compelling experiences. She coaches Design Thinking workshops that assist nonprofit and civic organizations with specific design challenges.



CAROL BUEHRENS

Carol is the author of *Happy RAVING Customers!* and is a leading CX expert. She has a wealth of skills and expertise to draw from, constructing customer experiences for over 30 years for major companies such as Liberty Mutual, Northrop, McDonnell-Douglas, Bechtel, GE, Mercury Marine, and ICW Group Insurance Companies.





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