

Scrum Mastery—Essential Skills for Team Excellence

You've achieved a level of experience as a Scrum Master and you may have received a CSM or similar certification. But you're beginning to realize that leading and facilitating agile teams is much harder in the real-world.

This 1-day immersion workshop goes beyond the fundamentals to focus on the situational aspects of agile coaching. We'll explore real-world scenarios and 'mine' attendees for specific challenging situations.

We'll explore those scenarios and discuss your options for handling the most crucial and delicate of situations you'll experience as your team moves through Agile & Scrum adoption. We'll also tackle organizational adoption challenges and how to effectively lead your team in regulated, enterprise, and other more 'restricted' environments.

Audience

The course is primarily for Scrum Masters or Project Managers in existing agile organizations and leading teams. It can also be a useful class for Agile Functional Managers & Directors, Product Owners, and Team Leads. Virtually anyone who is tasked with developing and leading an Agile / Scrum team, while struggling a bit to be an effective Servant Leader.

Course Overview

First we'll explore the current landscape of agile methods. We'll explore Lean, more advanced XP practices, and Kanban. Yes, it will be a survey or review, but we'll go a bit deeper and look at how the 'basics' help re-focus and refine your teams' agile behaviors.

Next we'll explore the leadership aspects of the agile organization. How the Product Owner, Scrum Master and Functional Management / Leadership need to share leadership responsibilities. Showing you how effective balance across those roles is crucial for your agile adoption.

Then we'll explore some of the latest thinking in improving some of the key Scrum ceremonies. We'll dive into planning, at-scale challenges, running effective reviews and retrospectives. We'll also cover the "hard bits" that you face within your own teams.

Finally, we'll wrap-up the workshop with a section on situational leadership where we'll mine your hardest challenges and sort through effective responses that engage your teams towards solutions.

Hands-on: We'll be collaborating as groups or teams for much of the workshop, so there will be a good amount of shared, experiential learning.



About the Instructor

Bob Galen literally wrote the book on Scrum Product Ownership. He's worked & coached in a wide variety of domains—introducing agile practices, coaching teams towards maturity, and driving excellence in results.

Bob is a very pragmatic and experienced agile coach. While he'll challenge you to learn "good agile" techniques, they will be grounded from real-world experience.

Detailed Outline

1. Overview of Scrum, XP, Lean, Crystal, and Kanban. More so to pull out and emphasize critical 'basics' for teams
2. Shu-Ha-Ri Dynamics for situational coaching of teams
3. Effective agile leadership—the Triad and how to balance for self-directed teams
4. Facing key challenges:
 - a. Writing effective User Stories & Acceptance Criteria
 - b. Release Planning & Story-Mapping
 - c. Running highly effective Sprint Review that engage Stakeholders

- d. Deploying Scrum "at-Scale" with Scrum of Scrums, Feature & Component Teams, and successful Distributed Team models
5. Situational agile leadership – Deep Dive, no cookie cutter answers here...
 - a. We'll explore typical, day-to-day challenges that face you and your teams
 - b. Next we'll 'mine' the group for their specific challenges—looking for options and alternatives in facing them
6. Workshop retrospective

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Class is eligible for 7
Category B PDU's

Every attendee will receive a copy of *Agile Reflections*...

