

The UCF MSEM Cohort Program— An Innovative Educational Program Which Continues to Deliver a Strategic Solution to Our Central Florida Partners



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Introduction

This report provides a description and assessment of the graduate Master's of Science in Engineering Management Professional Cohort program within UCF's Engineering Leadership and Innovation Institute (eli²). eli²'s mission is to give our students the burning desire and confidence to deliver world-changing solutions. By students we mean an:

- Undergraduate student pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering, computer science, or information technology
- A working professional returning to school to pursue a Master of Science degree in Engineering Management
- An executive collaborating with us to search for best practices.

This report's intent is to help share our graduate program story with you. The report is divided into four sections:

1. Welcome to Our Journey
2. The Business Case
3. The Implementation
4. Lessons Learned

Each section goes further in depth than the previous one. You can choose how deep you explore our story.

Specific participant company participation and impact is available upon request.

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The MSEM Program Delivers on the Business Case.

To describe the eli² graduate program, we use the business case. This model is explained further in a few pages.

As can be seen from this summary the program delivers a strategic solution to our industry partners and UCF.

In summary the MSEM cohort based program has seven strategic advantages for our industry partners and UCF:

- 1) **The MSEM Cohort Program helps our corporate partners be successful.** Our partnering organizations are looking to
 - Make their strategy real
 - Overcome challenges to enhancing innovation within their cultures.

Our partners include:

- Harris Corporation
- Lockheed Martin
- NASA/Kennedy Space Center
- Raytheon
- Siemens
- The Walt Disney Company.

- 2) **The MSEM Cohort Program is program tailored for the working professional.** We offer the Master of Science in Engineering Management (MSEM) Cohort program focused on leading the delivery of innovative solutions. We have established a stand alone degree with a “concierge” level of service.
- 3) **The MSEM Cohort Program is strategic for our stakeholders:**
 - For our partners, the strategic opportunity is business growth through innovation and leadership development.
 - For UCF, the strategic opportunity is “international prominence in key programs of graduate study” & “America’s leading partnership university”.
- 4) **The MSEM Cohort Program is having a significant impact:**
 - Our alumni reported over \$1Billion in business impacts.
 - Over 75% of the alumni had significant increases in their job responsibilities.
- 5) **We have built a robust, sustainable capability.** We established a robust delivery system (with 34 of products/processes across 13 capabilities). We continue to define, deliver, measure, and refine the program with our partners.
- 6) **The MSEM Cohort Program is fiscally stable and responsible.** The program continues to grow through 7 cohorts. 118 alumni with 36 students in the current cohort. The program can contribute to eli² being self-sufficient.
- 7) **The MSEM Cohort Program is “winning” with our students and our corporate partners.** Our corporate partners and students view this program as vital to their long-term growth. Sponsor and alumni testimonials demonstrate we are having a life-long impact.

The Graduate Program Transforms Individual Contributors to Project Leaders and Managers.

eli²'s mission is focused on lifelong engagement engineers and computer scientists.

This report provides a description and assessment of the graduate program. This report provides a description and assessment of the Graduate MSEM Cohort program.

This program focuses on supporting professional individual contributors to transition to the project leader and manager role.

This program's intent is for the working professional to take on the role of **leading teams to deliver innovative solutions that are strategically important to the organization and customer.**



We Thank the Team Who Have Gone on the Journey With Us.

Partnership Institute at UCF

As great organizations and projects have a great team and set of supporters, eli² benefits from have a strong set of team members and supporters.

One of eli²'s key focus area is collaboration. The eli² story is a collaboration story. Our success is a collective success.

We thank our team and supporters for sharing their wisdom, energy, encouragement, and resources.

Note: If you felt you should be on this list, we apologize for forgetting.

We thank our Founding Sponsors for their encouragement and financial support. Their support demonstrates their belief in our mission.

- Harris Corporation
- KSC
- Siemens
- WDW

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We thank our graduate student alumni. These students helped refine our model to ensure it was meaningful to the students. They dedicated their time and talents to our mission.

- Alumni listed in previous slides

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The Business Case

To describe the program at a high-level we will use a “business case” model.

The business case uses seven questions to describe and evaluate an opportunity or project. Answering these questions provides the business case.

The UCF MSEM Cohort Program uses the “Business Case” as core element of the program. This model was developed in partnership with Harris Corporation and was refined through our teaching activities.



Our Partnering Organizations are Looking to Make Their Strategy Real.

The MSEM Cohort Program helps our corporate partners be successful.

Based on our professional experiences, the broader literature, and a survey of our corporate sponsors, we see:

- Organizations and their leaders struggle with translating strategy to action and results.
- Managers struggle with connecting strategy and projects.

We designed the program to overcome these challenges.

This data is from a survey of program sponsors in 2015.



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2) The Solution



3) The Strategic Imperative



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Our Partnering Organizations are Looking to Overcome the Innovation Challenges.

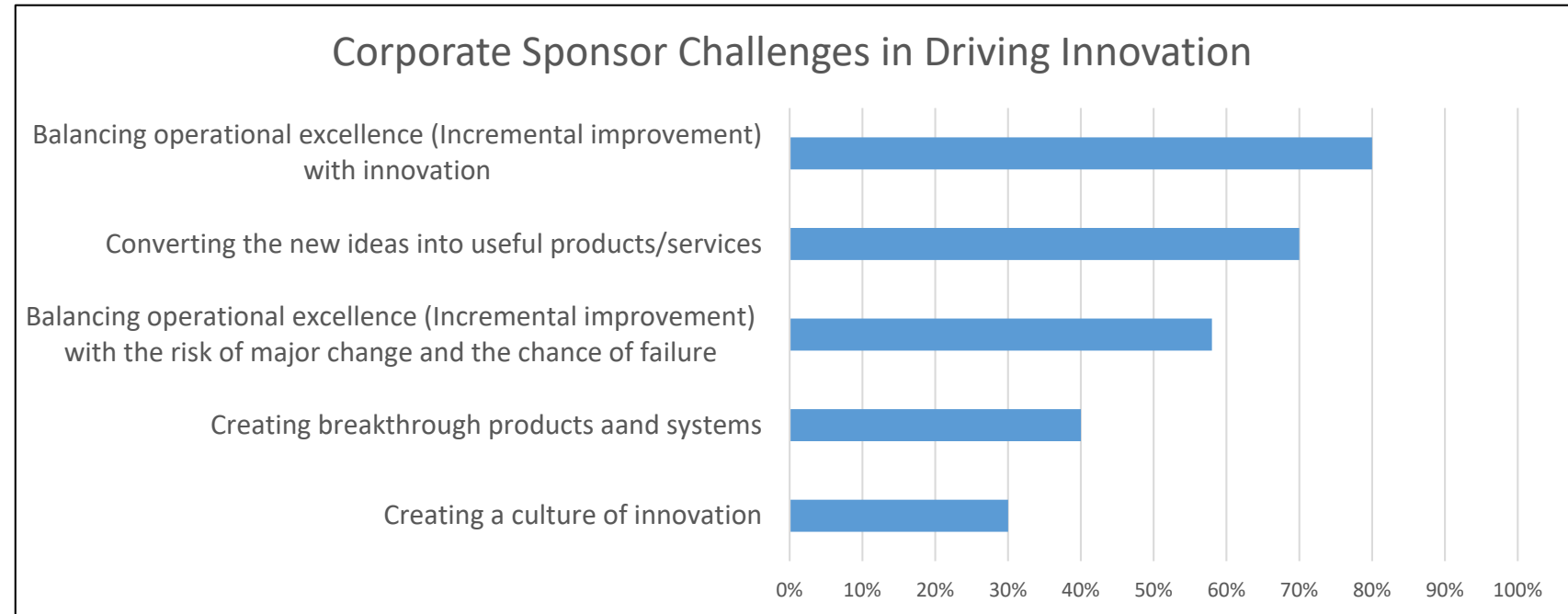
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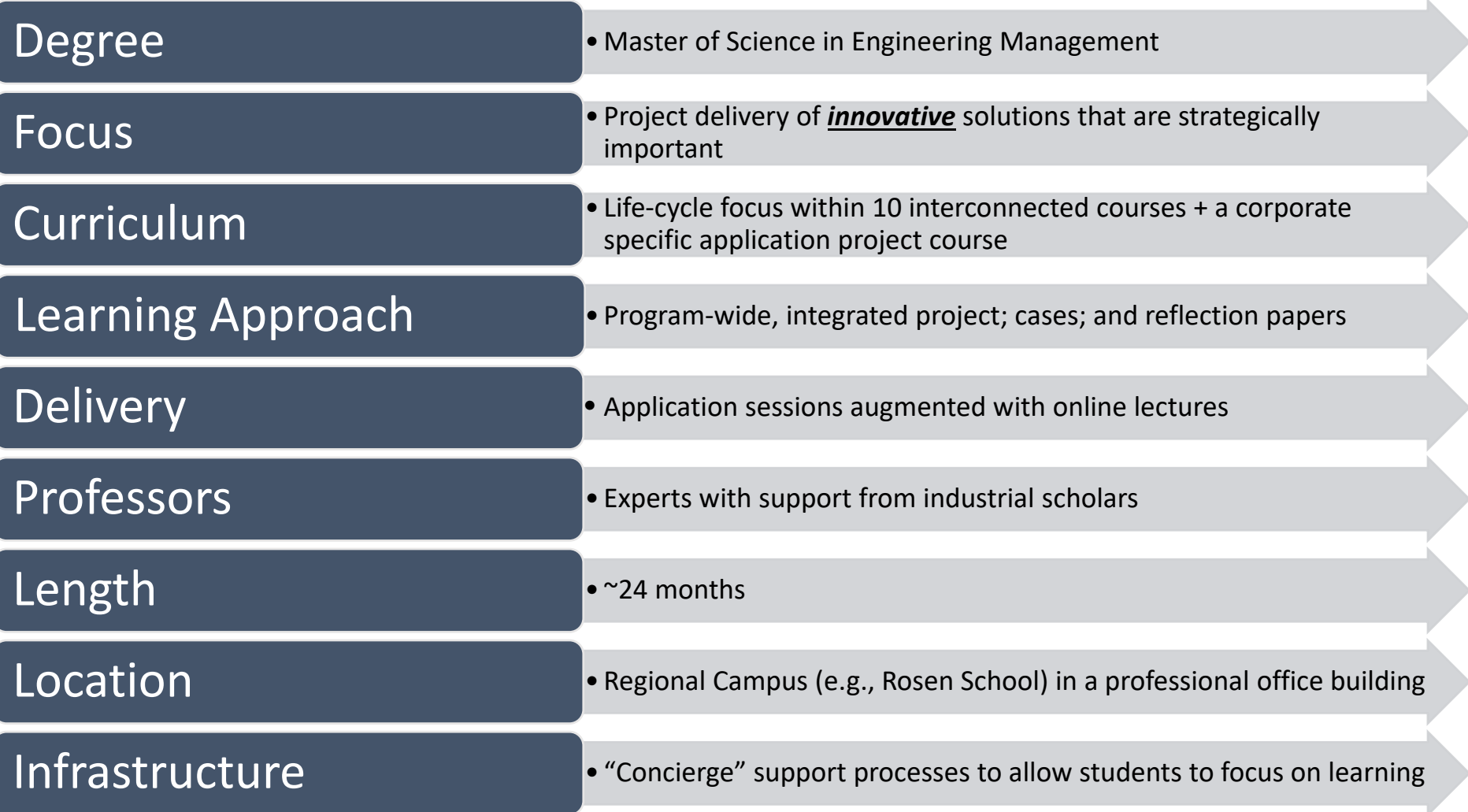


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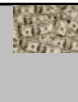
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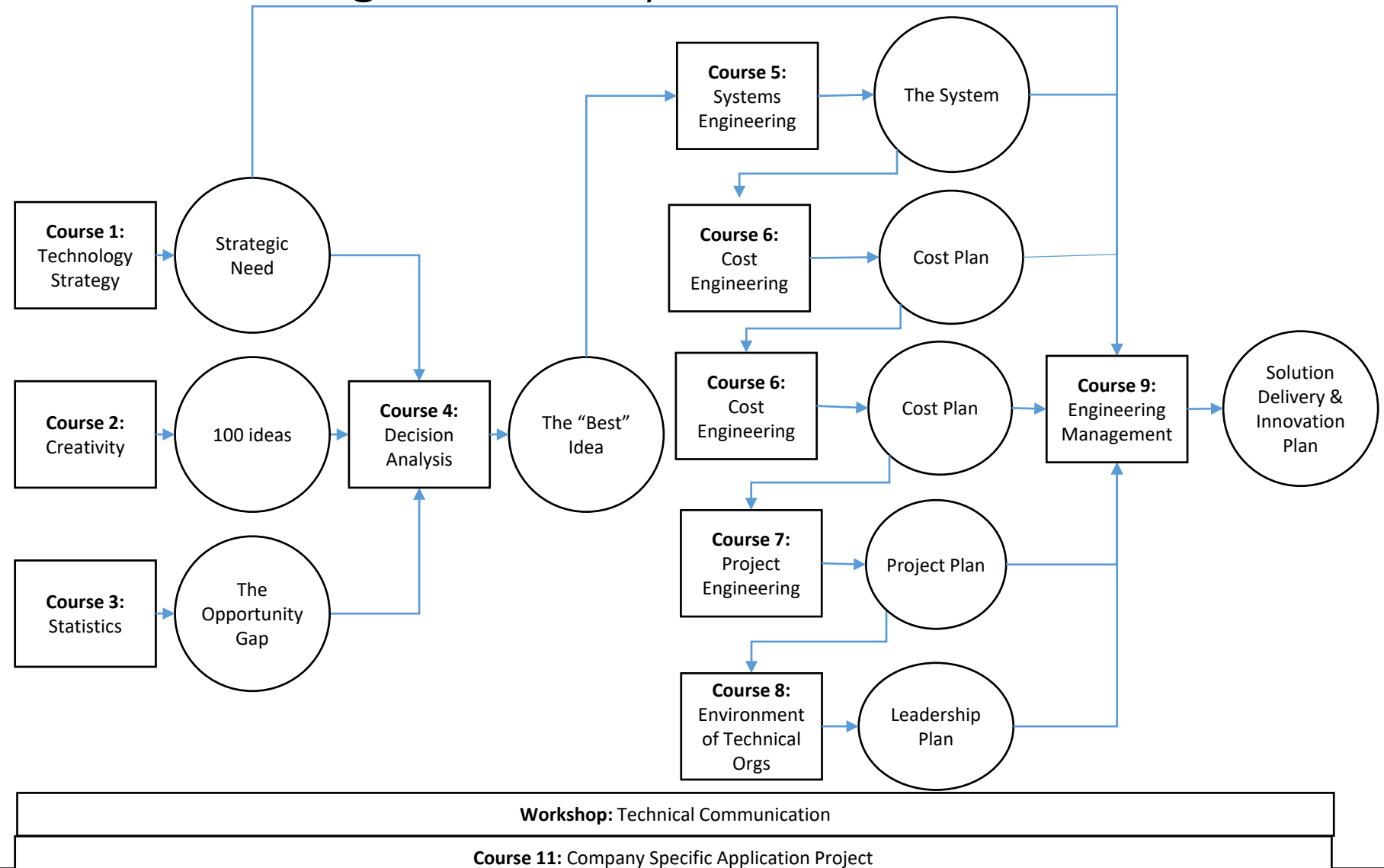









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We have developed an integrated curriculum that grows from one-course-to-the-next. The sequence is intentional and reflects a thought process for identifying, scoping, and delivering innovative solutions that are strategically important.



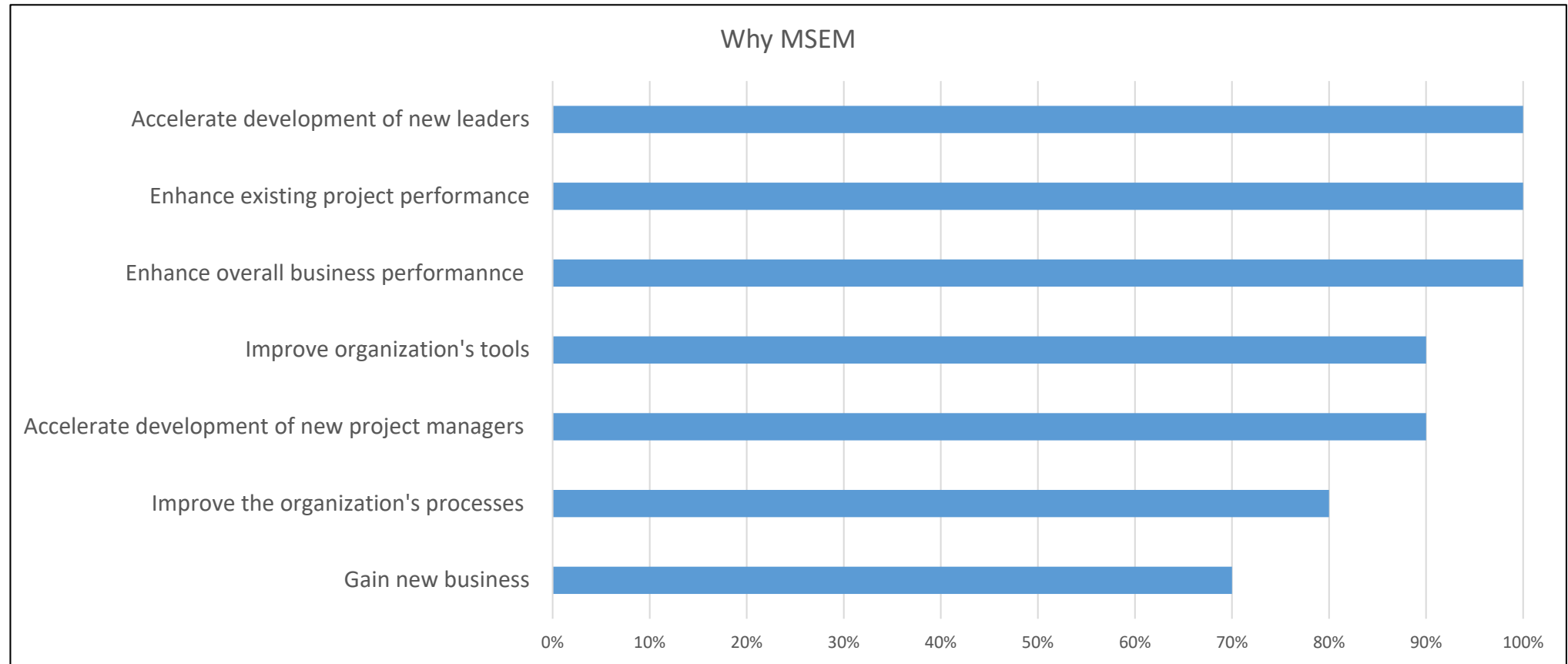
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For Our Partners, the Strategic Opportunity is Business Growth through Innovation and Leadership.

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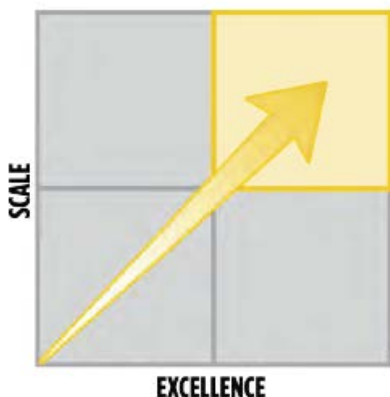
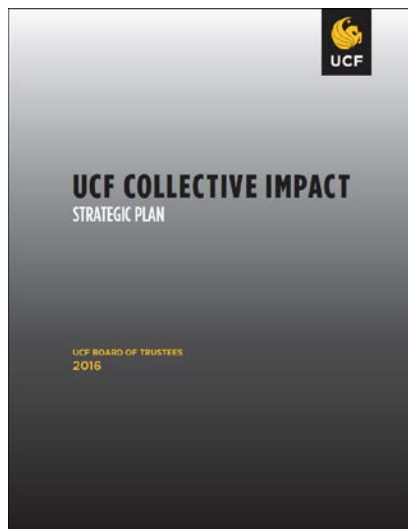
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The five key goals that still guide UCF are:

- to offer the best undergraduate education available in Florida
- to achieve international prominence in key programs of graduate study and research
- to provide international focus to our curricula and research programs
- to become more inclusive and diverse
- to be America’s leading partnership university.

GRADUATE STUDENT PROMINENCE	
Metrics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Double the number of graduate students receiving national or international recognition. Expand to 10,000 graduate students, a number which includes relevant professional degrees and graduate programs.
Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set annual metrics by program that embrace size, quality, and mix of relevant professional degrees and research-based graduate degrees. Develop a proactive and inclusive strategy for graduate student support, awards, and recognition achievement, including a website with links to awards, new financial support strategies, faculty and peer mentoring, and other new initiatives.
Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provost Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies Deans and Department Heads

EXTERNAL PERCEPTIONS	
Metrics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve Net Promoter Score of 20 indicating a strong likelihood to recommend UCF to others. (Link to NPS calculation method.) Exceed initial benchmark data on aided and unaided brand awareness among our service area and nationally by 10% and 5% respectively.
Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a comprehensive, multi-year branding strategy that broadens positive awareness and perceptions of UCF among designated target audiences and achieves the metrics. Invest in the approved branding strategy at a level to achieve metrics. Achieve all of the strategic plan metrics associated with faculty, student, and program excellence, upon which our reputation and awareness will be built. Continue to develop a nationally recognized athletics program that builds awareness, recognition, alumni, and fan participation, and university pride and loyalty.
Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice President for Communications and Marketing Vice President for Advancement Vice President and Director of Athletics Provost Deans and Department Heads

CURRENT	KEY METRIC	2021
2nd	Rank among Florida MSA's of percentage of population with a bachelor's degree	1st
9th	Rank among Orlando EDC peer regions of percentage of population with a bachelor's degree	5th
4.0/1850	Average first-year student GPA and SAT	4.0/1870
11	Public university rank of National Merit Scholars	Top 10
89%	First-year retention rate	92%
70%	Six-year graduation rate	75%
8,029	Number of graduate students	10,000
52	Post-doctoral research appointees	200
1	National Academy members	6
62%	Percentage of tenured or tenure-track faculty	65%
\$133 million	Research awards	\$250 million
64	Endowed professorship and chairs	80
15,000	Alumni annual giving donors	30,000
\$151 million	UCF Foundation endowment	\$175 million

FUNDING DIVERSIFICATION	
Metrics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase new sources of funding by \$100 million. Develop a 20-year university-wide plan for growth of non-philanthropy new funding sources by 12/31/16. Build the UCF Foundation endowment to \$175 million, with a continuing plan to achieve the state preeminence endowment metric.* Successful completion of the current \$500 million comprehensive philanthropic campaign. Increase alumni giving donor count to at least 30,000. Increase annual \$500,000+ donors from a campaign annual average of 16 to a sustainable average of 30+.
Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a university-wide plan to model and fulfill the funding diversification objectives with ownership clearly defined. Within the strategy consider revenue options such as continuing education, expanded commercialization yield, expanded clinical services, innovative corporate partnerships and sponsorships, and new enterprise formation. Leverage the growth and aging of our alumni base to increase philanthropic participation. Expand UCF Health as a significant driver of improved health in the region and additional new funding for the university.
Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chief Financial Officer Provost Vice President for Advancement Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies Vice President for Medical Affairs

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Our Alumni Reported over \$1 Billion in Business Impacts from Their Participation in the MSEM Program.


The MSEM Cohort Program is having a significant impact.


Our alumni reported over \$1 Billion in business impacts by applying the knowledge, processes, and innovative thinking taught throughout the cohort.


This data is based on a 2015 survey of alumni from the first five cohorts. Fifty-five of 87 alumni completed the survey.


Company	Total impacts	Response Rates
Harris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing projects total impact: \$~170 Million (14 projects) Future projects total impact: \$~1.2 Billion (5 projects) 	16 of 31 alumni completed the survey
KSC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing projects total impact: \$~74 Million (4 projects) Future projects total impact: \$~10 Million (2 projects) 	17 of 24 alumni completed the survey
CSX	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing projects total impact: \$40 Million (1 project) 	1 of 1 alumni completed the survey
LM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing projects total impact: \$~500,000 (2 projects) 	10 of 19 alumni completed the survey
Siemens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing projects total impact: \$~500 Million (1 project) 	3 of 3 alumni completed the survey
WDW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing projects total impact: \$~1 Million (1 project) Future projects total impact: \$~3 Million (2 projects) 	4 of 4 alumni completed the survey
Total	23 projects with \$700,000,000+ of impacts on existing projects 9 projects with \$ 1+ Billion of impacts on new projects	51 of 82 provided feedback on specific project impacts


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Over 75% of the Alumni Had Significant Increases in Their Job Responsibilities.


The MSEM Cohort Program is having a significant impact.


Consistent with the intent to help develop leaders who can deliver solutions, the participants in the program enhanced their leadership skills. One measure of this enhanced leadership skill is the change in responsibilities after participating in the program. The attached table highlights the number of survey respondents who changed their job titles.


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Organization	Change In Job Title
CNL	1/1
CSX	0/1
Harris	9/15
KSC	15/17
L-3	0/1
LM	8/10
PAR	1/1
Siemens	2/3
WDW	3/4
Total	39/53


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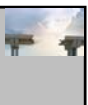
We Have Established a Robust Delivery System: 13 Capabilities Supported by 34 Products/Processes.

We have built a robust, sustainable capability.

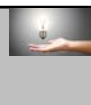
We established a robust delivery system (with 34 of products/processes across 13 capabilities).

1) Established Stand Alone Degree	1) Defined overall curriculum 2) Established budget model for market-based programs 3) Gained approval for market-based program 4) Converted track to stand alone MSEM degree—Gained state approval
2) Created a Laser-Focused, Interconnected Curriculum	5) Created teaching and learning model focused on 10 interconnected courses and project 6) Created 11 th course to focus on company-specific applications 7) Identified books to support students
3) Provided “Concierge” Service Level	8) Defined delivery model with Regional Campuses to support all UCF administrative requirements on behalf of the students
4) Developed New Courses	9) EIN 6328 Technology Strategy 10) EIN 6950 Capstone Experience
5) Enhanced Courses	11) EIN 5108 Environment of Technical Organization—tied to Leadership Challenge by Kouzes & Posner 12) EIN 5140 Project Engineering—focusing on “Learning Approach to PM” and building the ecosystem for a healthy project team 13) EIN 6182 Engineering Management—focusing on overall Technology Strategy & Solution Delivery
6) Developed Tools for Students to Be Successful	14) Developed Program Orientation 15) Developed Overall Detailed Program Playbook
7) Defined Tools for Students Reflect & Apply to the Workplace	16) Workbook #1: Application Session reflection notebook 17) Workbook #2: Course/Company Application notebook
8) Developed Mixed-Mode Delivery Model	18) Developed standardized webcourses structure 19) Developed standardized four “application” session model
9) Developed Surveys on Work Practices	20) The Challenges of Innovation & Solution Delivery 21) A Learning Approach to Project Management 22) The Solution Delivery Practices at Work
10) Developed Tools to Help Professors be Successful	23) Developed Professor Jumpstart Package 24) Developed Course Jumpstart Package
11) Defined Infrastructure to Run	25) Defined Service Level Philosophy 26) Established detailed playbooks for: Establishing a Cohort-Executing a Cohort-Closing a Cohort 27) Established online tools for project management 28) Identified books to support professors
12) Defined Robust Assessment Process	29) Created Cohort Assessment process 30) Developed Individual Class Assessment surveys
13) Defined Marketing Approach	31) Developed program brochure 32) Developed program FAQs 33) Developed package: MBA vs MSEM 34) Developed Package: Student Responsibilities

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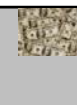
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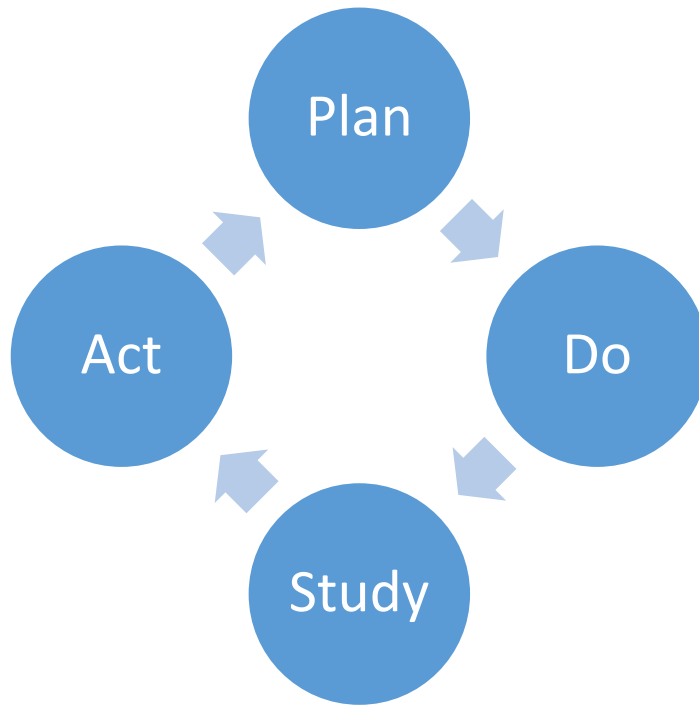
We Continue to Define, Deliver, Measure, and Refine the Program with Our Partners.

We have built a robust, sustainable capability.

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From each cohort we learned. We took those learnings and ran an “experiment” with the next cohort.

We will continuously adjust our program and delivery based on the changing needs and our learnings.



	Cohort	Size	Focus of “Experiment” (See “The Lean Startup” concept)	Changes to Implement in the Next Cohort
7	Orlando IV • May 2016-May 2018 • KSC, LM, Siemens, WDW, Raytheon (Kratos)	• 36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to infuse innovation topics and make more explicit Adjust Decision Analysis course Adapt project to driverless vehicles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further integrate innovation and design thinking tools throughout and part of “business case” Move Systems Architecting in as a course Move Technical Communication to a workshop model
6	Orlando III • May 2014-May 2016 • KSC, LM, Siemens, WDW (Raytheon, Northrup Grumman)	• 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adapt project to healthcare Add 11th course for company specific application 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Move locations
5	Orlando II • Jan 2012-Aug 2013 • KSC, LM, Siemens, WDW	• 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliver a cross-company cohort program Provide program startup package 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjust curriculum Explore new project concepts Establish “course jumpstart packages”
4	Harris II Cohort • Nov 2010-Dec 2011	• 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliver a organizational unique cohort program focused on the business case Deliver a condensed program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measure overall impact Establish program startup package Provide “breathing time”
3	KSC I Cohort • June 2010-Aug 2011	• 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliver a organizational unique cohort program focused on the business case 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjust curriculum
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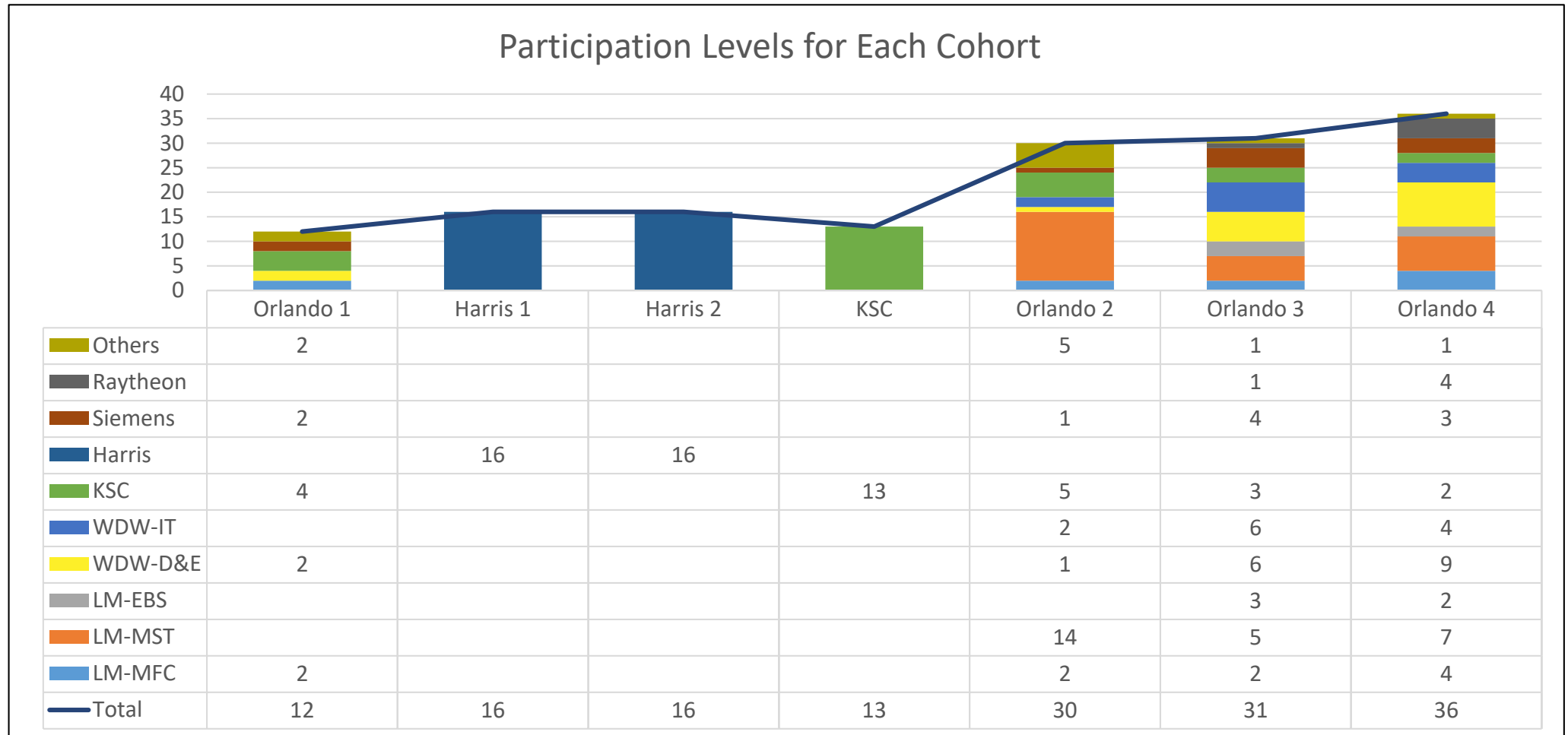
The MSEM Cohort Program is fiscally stable and responsible.

The program continues to grow through 7 cohorts—118 alumni with 36 students in the current cohort.

We are growing in both the number of students and companies participating.

Our intent is to not grow the size of a cohort. Both our team and our sponsors are focused on having the “quality” of students, not quantity of students drive our cohort size.

The program contributes to eli² being self-sufficient.



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Our Corporate Partners and Students View This Program as Vital to Their Long-Term Growth.

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Impacts for the Students


- 100% of Alumni use the program knowledge sometimes or always in the workplace
- 94% of the alumni were satisfied or extremely satisfied on how the program impacted their job performance
- 92% said that the program increased or significantly increased their ability to deliver a successful project
- 92% said the program increased or significantly increased their ability to strategically manage an engineering organization
- 86% said the program increased or significantly increased their ability to navigate the core solution delivery processes (project management, systems engineering, gate reviews)
- 70% of alumni found MSEM had directly enhanced existing project performance
- 58% of alumni found MSEM had accelerated the development of new project managers
- Over 50% of alumni stated that the program helped their organization gain new business


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Impacts for the Students	Impacts for the Sponsors
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Great program to help develop strategic thinking and management development” • “Excellent program developing solution providers” • “Beneficial to future project managers and leaders” • “MSEM is important because it provides a unique collection of education that gives contemporary tools and relevant knowledge to the upcoming manager. • “The MSEM program is critical because it is developing industry leaders to advance technology and efficiently solve problems” • “Provides tools that can be used directly in the workplace” • “Develops new toolset for critical thinking” • “Great tools for setting strategic alignment” • “Abundance of engineering knowledge to equip your toolbox” • “It provided a framework for future success” • “Opening your eyes to the potential” • “The MSEM program does much more than teach how to provide solutions. The program DEVELOPS solution providers by changing the way they think. Those who go through this program will never be the same” • “It enables furthering education in a controlled environment with a set curriculum that has proven successful. It also allowed for teambuilding, and building link to other professionals we might not otherwise meet” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “By equipping skills to transform the organization” • “Enhancing business performance of successful engineers” • “Help graduates make sound business decisions that improve products which has direct impact on customer and business. Also help minimize non-value add work and keep team focus on value add” • “Over 50% of alumni stated that the program helped their organization gain new business” • “Strategic Thinking – Alternate Thinking” • “Refreshing look at approaching business” • “Tools to empower and drive today’s leaders” • “Develops mission/thought leadership skills. Integrates the creative side to advanced/alternative solution thinking” • “The MSEM program is important for making a difference for the world because it provides students new skillsets enabling them to make greater contributions in developing effective solutions to complex problems. “

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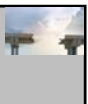
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“The PEMP provides an in depth look at engineering project management in an environment that encourages discussion and exploration of best practices for the engineering professional. The program itself serves as a living example of project management with team building, resolving real-time issues, and a focus on continually evolving based on lessons learned. New and experienced project managers can benefit greatly from this program as it pushes participants to seek innovative and creative approaches to their assignments.”

James Minnear NASA – Kennedy Space Center (Orlando 1)

”I would call this program more like a MBA for people who work in a technology discipline. It is a blend of technical, project and business skills. If you want to move into the business areas or have aspirations of becoming a CEO somewhere, then go for the traditional MBA. This program is geared toward delivering solutions that meet business strategies” Michael Duguid, Director, Telecom Services, Disney Technology Solutions & Services (Orlando 2)

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3) The Strategic Imperative



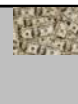
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Quotes from Harris Students

- “Combin[ing] Harris processes with real world practices...”
- “... was able to immediately apply the concepts taught in class in my current job”
- “The instructors were excellent...excellent program teaching critical tools for leadership, strategy, and decision making”
- “... actively use the learnings that I received during this degree program to help lead the technical teams that I oversee, build stronger relationships with my customer, and generate new business”
- “This program was both challenging and rewarding, and I highly recommend it to anyone interested in a higher level learning program which truly applies to the workplace”
- “...Courses were selected to emphasize the qualities that enable the students to succeed as APE ... with course work that truly achieves the goal to create unique individuals that are “Solution Providers””
- “Applying the learnings that I received in the first three courses alone directly resulted in an ~2.5M contract for prototype software...”

Thank you to our Sponsors:

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The Program is Driven to Make a Difference for Our Students and Their Sponsoring Organizations.

We designed the program to meet our sponsor's and student's needs.

Each element of the program has a intentional role.

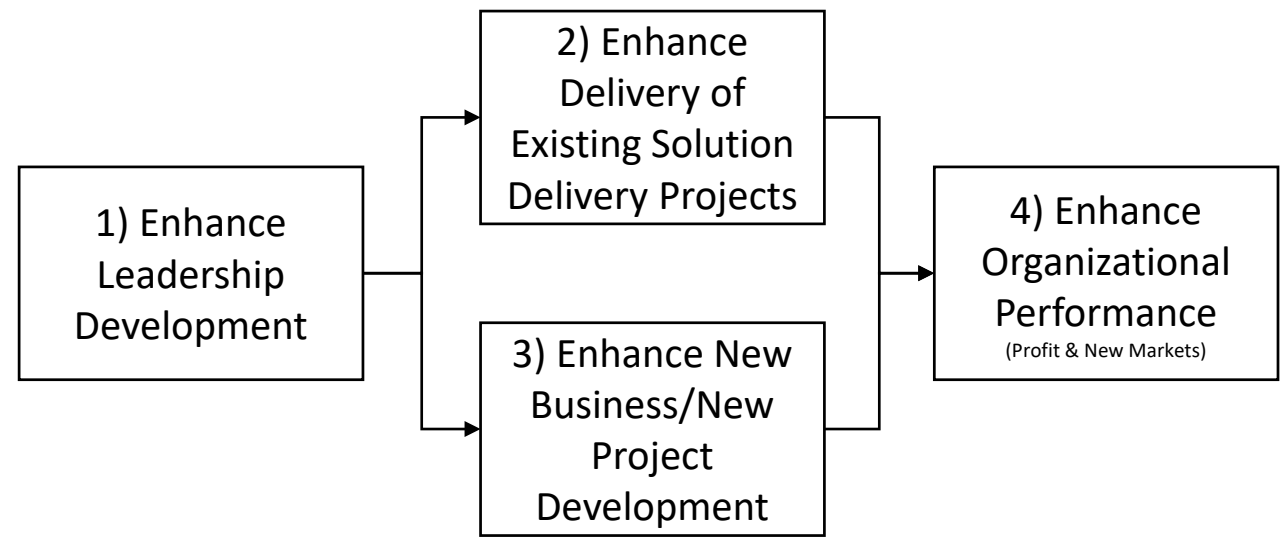
In this section we define 8 key elements of the program.

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- 3) The Curriculum Provides a Suite of Design Thinking Tools.
- 4) Our Courses Have a Logical Flow.
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- 6) Each Course Has Specific Objectives.
- 7) The Assignments are Meant to Focus on the Individual's Learning and Application to the Workplace.
- 8) We Have an Integrated Assessment Approach.

Our Partner's Are Looking to Enhance Participant's Capability and Impact in the Organization.

Each corporate sponsor has a specific objective they want to accomplish by participating in the program.

- These five objectives are based on
- 1) the nature of the organization:
 - Commercial
 - Government
 - Government contractor
 - 2) the role of the business unit the participants are from:
 - Engineering
 - IT
 - Program Management
 - New business development.



5) Enhance Organizational Capability (Process & Tool Development)

These five objectives are connected in the desire to enhance organizational performance.

The Curriculum Focuses on Developing and Using the “Business Case”.

The UCF MSEM Cohort Program uses the “Business Case” as core element of the program. This model was developed in partnership with Harris Corporation and was refined through our teaching activities.

Core to the program is for every project to have a strong business case. The term business case has meaning across and within organizations.

The business case uses seven questions to describe and evaluate an opportunity or project. Answering these questions provides the business case.

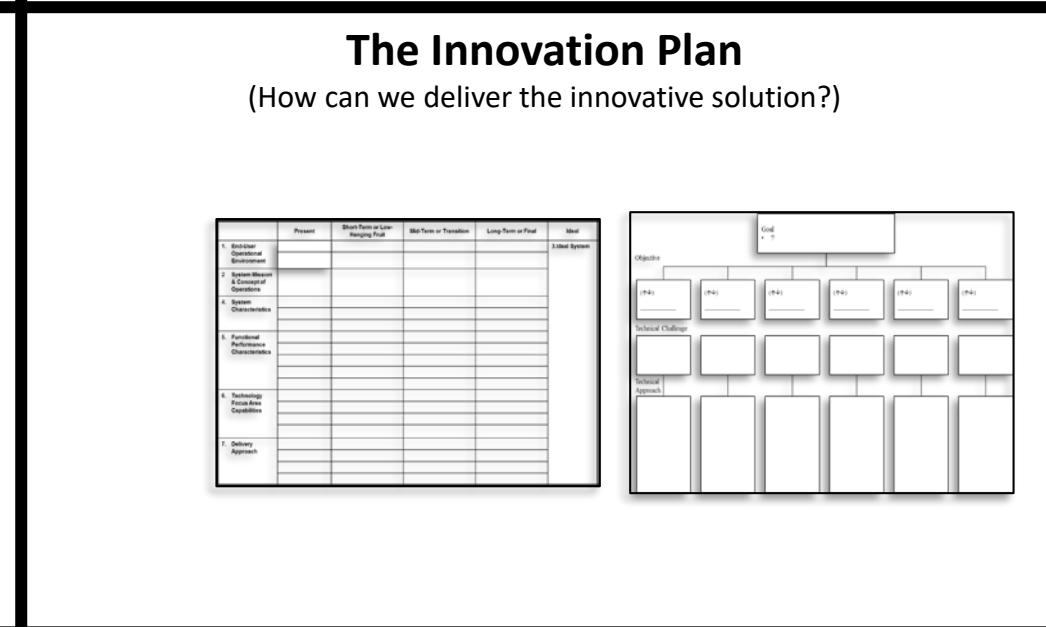
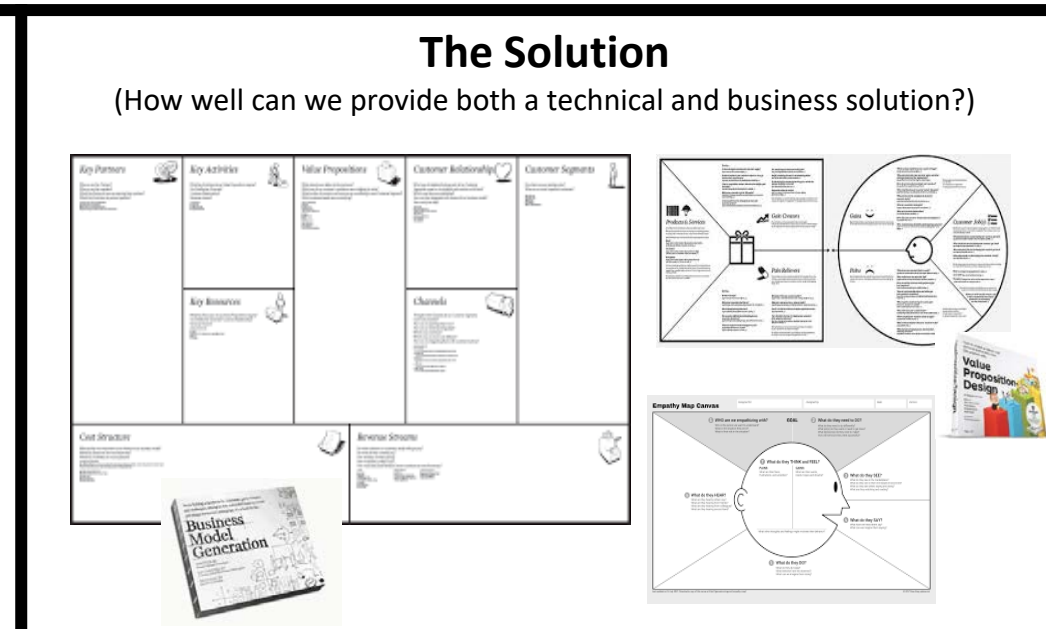
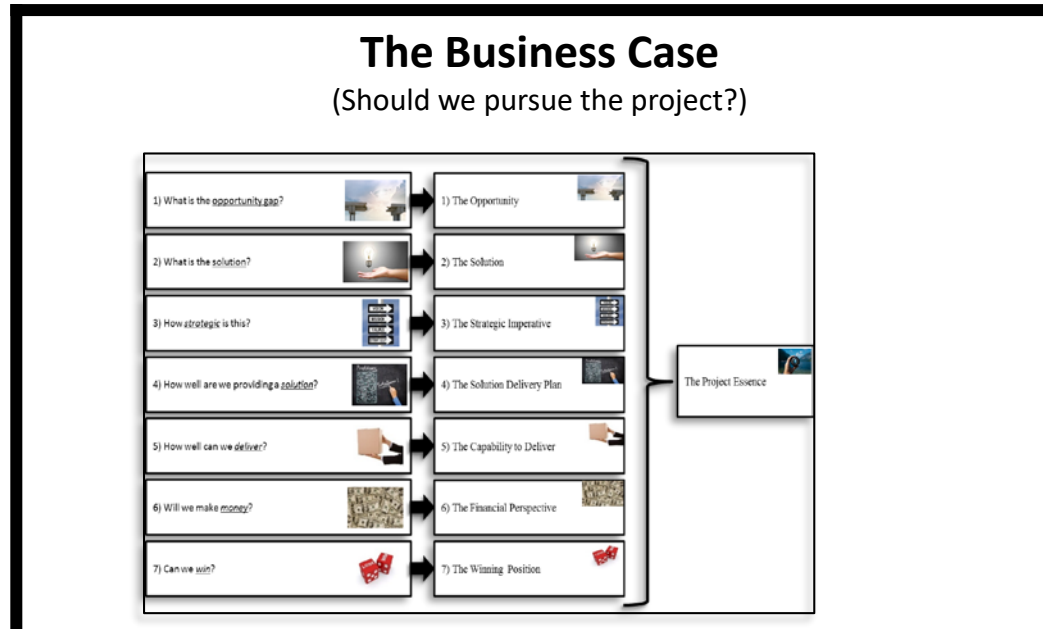
Each course provides a set of frameworks, skills, tools, and processes to help the leader define and deliver the business case for an innovative solution that is strategically important.

1. What is the <u>opportunity gap</u> ?	1) What is the performance gap that needs to be closed? 2) What is the opportunity to capture?
2. What is the <u>solution</u> ?	3) What is the solution to close the performance gap? 4) What is the solution to help us win the opportunity?
3. How <u>strategic</u> is this?	5) How strategic is this for the organization? 6) How strategic is this for the customer?
4. How well are we providing a <u>solution</u> ?	7) How well are we providing a solution to the customer’s problem? 8) How well are we providing an integrated solution? 9) How well is the business case for the customer?
5. How well can we <u>deliver</u> ?	10) How well can we meet project expectations? 11) How well do we have the capabilities to deliver? 12) What are the impacts on the rest of the portfolio?
6. Will we make <u>money</u> ?	13) How well are the terms and conditions? 14) What is the life-cycle cost & ROI? 15) What is our price to win?
7. Can we <u>win</u> ?	16) What is the competitive landscape? 17) How well have we influenced the acquisition? 18) How well is our relationship with the customer?
8. What is the <u>recommendation</u> ?	19) What is the final answer? What is the recommendation?

The Curriculum Provides a Suite of Design Thinking Tools.

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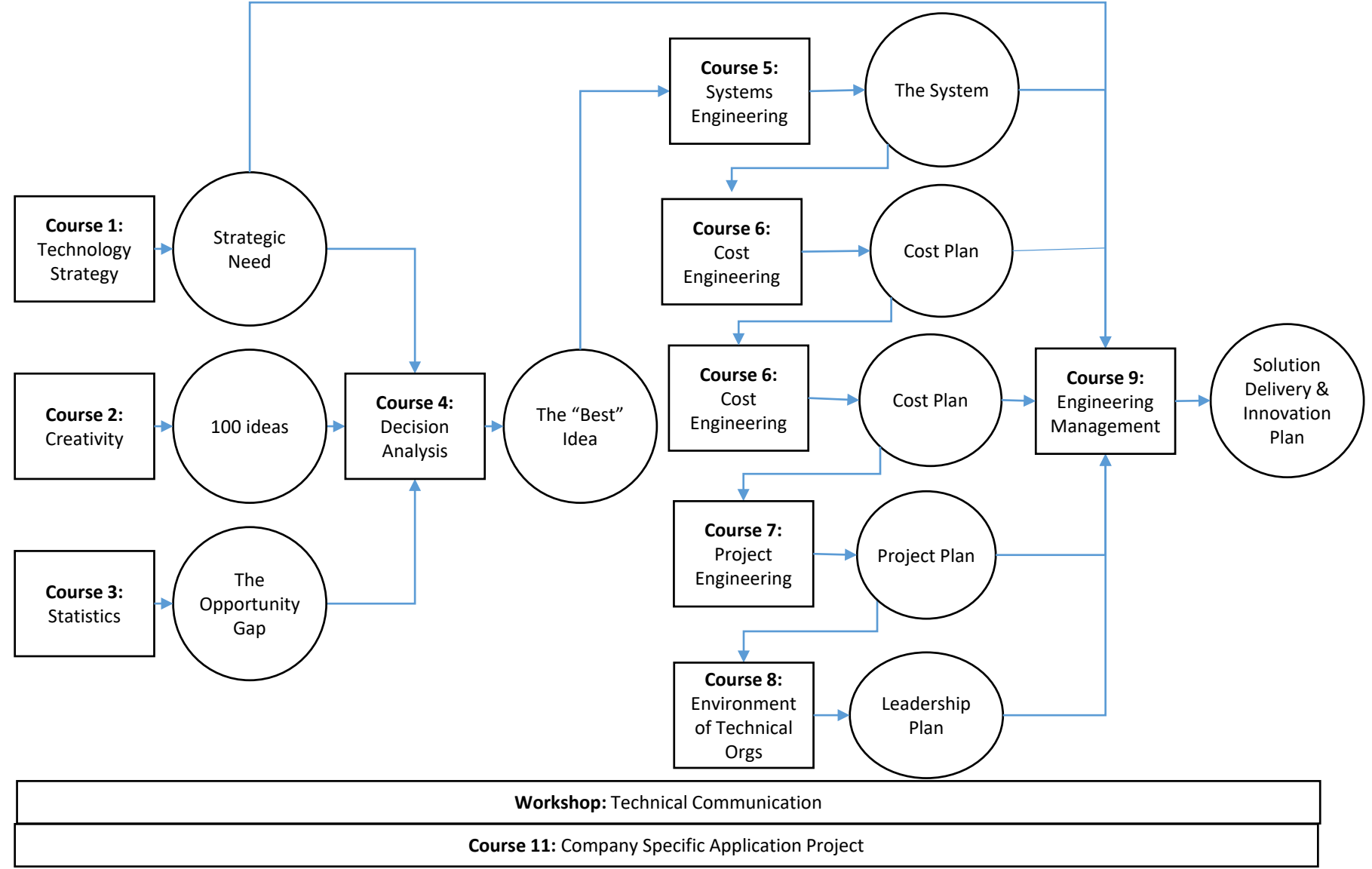
To support the development the “Business Case”, we provide a suite of additional “design thinking” tools. These tools are best practices used throughout industry.



Our Courses Have a Logical Flow.

We offer the Master of Science in Engineering Management (MSEM) Cohort program focused on leading the delivery of innovative solutions.

We have developed an integrated curriculum that grows from one-course-to-the-next. The sequence is intentional and reflects a thought process for identifying, scoping, and delivering innovative solutions that are strategically important.



Each Course Helps Us answer Project and Business Case Questions.

The five core questions of the business case can be further decomposed into sub-questions.

Each box with a number in it represents a specific course. Each courses provides a set of tools to help the leader answer these questions.

The program uses the business case as the “integrating” framework for the content of the program.

How strategic is this?	1) How strategic is this for the organization? (Organization Strategic Linkage) <input type="checkbox"/> How is the project related to the organization’s strategic plan? <input type="checkbox"/> How is the project related to the organization’s portfolio plan? <input type="checkbox"/> How does this project help the organization achieve their objectives?		2) How strategic is this for the customer? (Customer Strategic Linkage) <input type="checkbox"/> How is the project related to the customer’s strategic plan? <input type="checkbox"/> How is the project related to the customer’s portfolio plan? <input type="checkbox"/> How does this project help the customer achieve their objectives?	
How well are we providing a solution?	3) How well are we providing a solution to the customer’s problem? (Solution & Business case #2) <input type="checkbox"/> What gap does the project close? <input type="checkbox"/> What are the alternative solutions? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the best solution? Why? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the reason for the selection?	4) How well are we providing an integrated solution? (Solution) <input type="checkbox"/> What is the solution? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the system? What product deliverables are required? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the product breakdown structure?	5) How well is the business case for the customer? (Business Case #3) <input type="checkbox"/> How big is the problem space? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the life-cycle ROI for the customer?	
How well can we deliver? (Delivery Plan)	6) How well can we meet project expectations?	Project Focus & Expectations <input type="checkbox"/> What are the project objectives? <input type="checkbox"/> What are the cost, schedule, technical criteria? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the project’s essence?	Work Content <input type="checkbox"/> What tasks need to be performed?	Time Management <input type="checkbox"/> What is the high-level schedule? <input type="checkbox"/> What are the important events? When are they needed? Who is accountable? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the detailed schedule?
7) How well do we have the capabilities to deliver?	Human Capital Management <input type="checkbox"/> What skills are needed for the work? <input type="checkbox"/> What are the roles for each person and task? <input type="checkbox"/> How is the team organized?	Cost Management <input type="checkbox"/> How much resource is needed for each task? <input type="checkbox"/> What does each task cost? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the overall budget? What is the phasing? <input type="checkbox"/> How will costs be tracked?	Risk Management <input type="checkbox"/> What risks does this project face? <input type="checkbox"/> How will the risks be addressed? <input type="checkbox"/> What assumptions are we making?	Daily PM & Leadership <input type="checkbox"/> How will trade decisions be made? <input type="checkbox"/> How will we communicate? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the “change” approach? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the leader’s role?
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Will we make money?	9) How well are the terms and conditions? <input type="checkbox"/> What is our preferred contract strategy with the customer?	10) What is the life-cycle cost & ROI? (Business Case #4) <input type="checkbox"/> What is the life-cycle cost profile? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the return on investment?	11) What is our price to win? <input type="checkbox"/> What is our competitor’s expected price? <input type="checkbox"/> What is our cost? What is our price?	
Can we win?	12) What is the competitive landscape? (Business Case 1—Competitive Landscape) <input type="checkbox"/> How big is the problem space? <input type="checkbox"/> How big is the market space? <input type="checkbox"/> How big is the solution space? <input type="checkbox"/> Are there profitable subspaces? <input type="checkbox"/> What is our unique value? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the competitive landscape?	14) How well have we influenced the acquisition? (Business Development Approach) <input type="checkbox"/> How well do we know the selection process? <input type="checkbox"/> How well have we influenced the definition and selection process?	13) How well is our relationship with the customer? (Business Development Approach) <input type="checkbox"/> How well do we know the customer? <input type="checkbox"/> How well do we understand the customer needs and desires?	

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Course	Objective
EIN 6326 Technology Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategically Scope the Need and Solution
EIN 6370 Innovation in Engineering Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop Creative Solutions
ESI 5219 Engineering Statistics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine the Business Case #1 • Verify the Need
ESI 6358 Decision Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine the Business Case #2 • Select the Best Solution
ESI 6551 Systems Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define and Manage Solution and Project Requirements
ESI 6552 Systems Architecting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define the overall system
EIN 6357 Advanced Engineering Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define Project Cost Expectations • Make Decisions Within Corporate Financial Perspective
EIN 5140 Project Engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a Good Plan • Define What a Project Manager is Accountable for • Define a “Learning Approach” to Project Management
EIN 5108 The Environment of Technical Organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop an Actionable Leadership Approach
EIN 6182 Engineering Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a Repeatable Solution Delivery Methodology

The Assignments are Meant to Focus on the Individual's Learning and Application to the Workplace.

Our program is driven to ensure the participants:

- 1) Reflect on their experience
- 2) Learn new concepts and skills
- 3) Apply the learnings to their workplace.

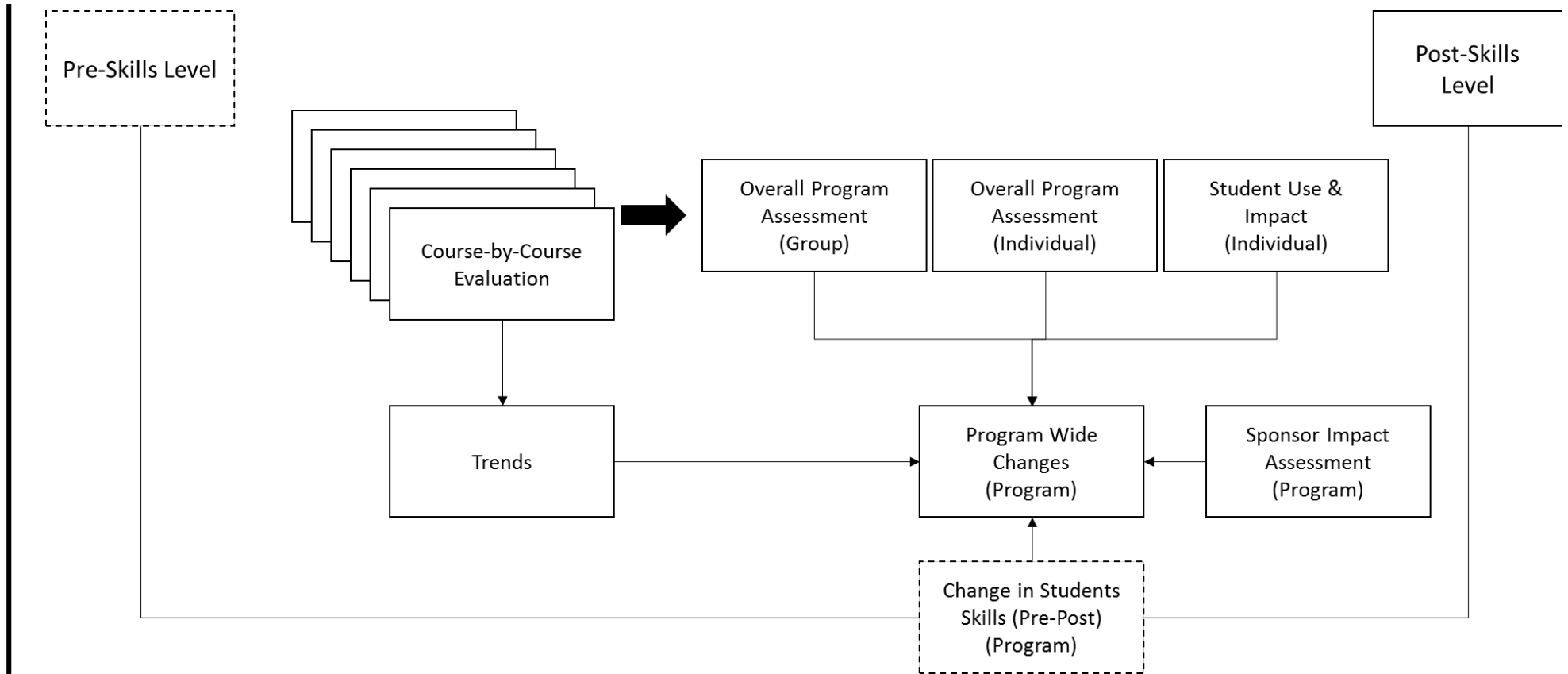
We designed the course assignments to ensure these objectives are met within the context of a graduate program.

		Intent of the Exercise				
		Help the student better apply the concepts to their workplace	Help the students adjust the group project	Reinforce the students completion of the necessary reading and reflection	Provide meaningful feedback to the student	Provide a measure to provide a grade.
Individual work	"Coming In With" Paper (1 per course)	√				√
	Conversation Journal (1 for each application session)	√				
	Reading Reflection (3-4/course)	√		√		√
	"Leaving With" Paper (1 per course)	√			√	√
Program-Wide Group Project	Management Presentation (Including lessons learned)	√	√		√	√
	Detailed Staff Work	√	√		√	√
End-of-Program Company Application	Company Specific Project Report	√			√	√

We Have an Integrated Assessment Approach.

Consistent with our philosophy of always learning and improving the program, we have an integrated assessment approach.

We use the different feedback instruments to understand what to start, stop, and continue with the program.



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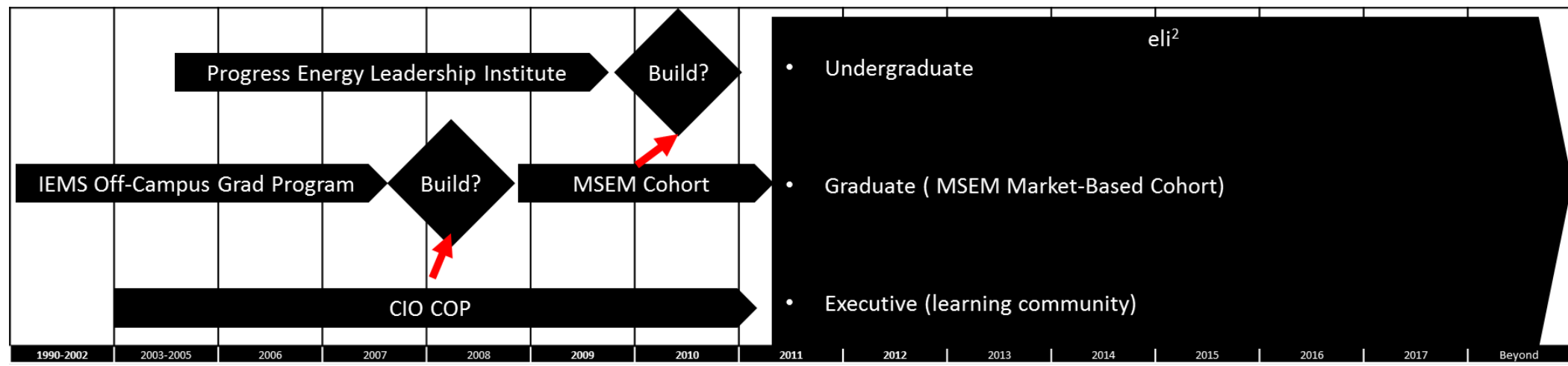
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The MSEM Program Grew From Past Efforts.

The MSEM Cohort program has its roots from the off-campus Engineering Management Program IEMS started with the Kennedy Space Center (KSC). Overtime the KSC-based program evolved and needed to further adjust to the changing environment. In 2007-2008 the program was reviewed. We (Tim Kotnour, Bob Hoekstra, and Chuck Reilly) established the new MSEM cohort program.

The MSEM cohort program also grew from the industry-based learnings in the CIO Community of Practice.

The first cohort started in January of 2009. The program is housed in the IEMS Department and is part of eli².



Item	Prior	Spring 2009	Summer 2009	Fall 2009	Spring 2010	Summer 2010	Fall 2010	Spring 2011	Summer 2011	Fall 2011	Spring 2012	Summer 2012	Fall 2012	Spring 2013	Summer 2013	Fall 2013	Spring 2014	Summer 2014	Fall 2014	Spring 2015	Summer 2015	Fall 2015	Spring 2016	Summer 2016	Fall 2016	
Meaningful Cohort		Orlando 1									Orlando 2							Orlando 3								
			Harris 1			Harris 2																			Orlando 4	
						KSC 1																				
Meaningful Graduation					O1	H1			K1	H2						O2								O3		

Our Sponsors Learn and Adjust With Us.

We continue to learn with each cohort.

We focus on delivering a high-quality program. We also seek to continually evolve. We view each cohort as an opportunity to test and evaluate improvements identified in the previous cohorts.

	Cohort	Size	Focus of "Experiment" (See "The Lean Startup" concept)	Changes to Implement in Next Cohort
7	Orlando IV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 2016-May 2018 KSC, LM, Siemens, WDW, Raytheon (+ individual participant from Kratos) 	• 36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to infuse innovation topics and make more explicit Adjust Decision Analysis course Adapt project to driverless vehicles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further integrate innovation and design thinking tools throughout and part of "business case" Move Systems Architecting in as a course Move Technical Communication to a workshop model
6	Orlando III <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 2014-May 2016 KSC, LM, Siemens, WDW (+ individual participants from Raytheon and Northrup Grumman) 	• 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adapt project to healthcare Add 11th course for company specific application 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Move locations
5	Orlando II <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jan 2012-Aug 2013 KSC, LM, Siemens, WDW (+ individual participants from CSX and Metters, Inc.) 	• 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliver a cross-company cohort program Provide program startup package 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjust curriculum Explore new project concepts Establish "course jumpstart packages"
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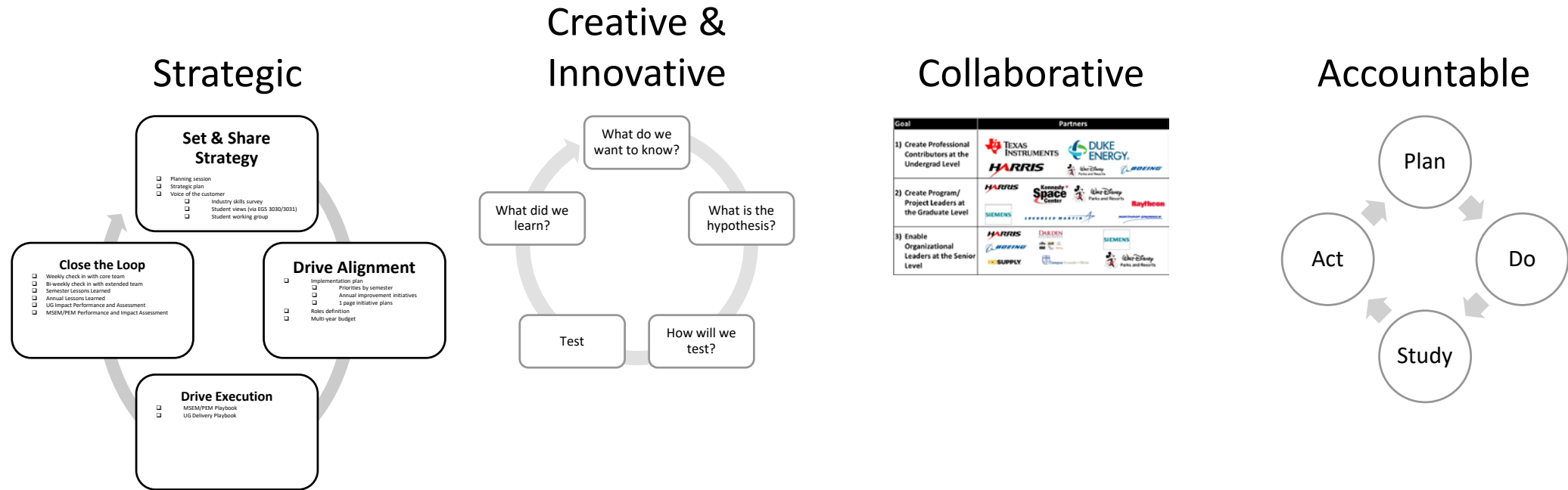
Based on our experience we have identified a set of lessons learned for developing and executing an engineering leadership institute within a large, research driven, public university.

- The primary lesson learned is to practice what we preach:
 - Be strategic, creative, innovative, collaborative, accountable, and continuously learning to enhance as we learn.
 - Our innovation = F (strategy + experimentation + delivery + learning).
 - Define the strategy and stay true to the core.
 - Have an “experimentation” mentality—continue to seek what works and why.
 - Deliver excellence in everything we do...but always see the need to improve.
 - Project manage the delivery: service level philosophy, roles, playbooks, and weekly check ins.
 - Install a continuous assessment & learning process.
- The lessons learned within this overall lesson learned include:
 - 1) Continuous engagement with industry partners is key.
 - The program needs to be industry driven.
 - The program must solve the right problem for industry.
 - Find 1-2 key players willing to take the “risk” to invest in the program.
 - 2) Faculty and staff team are the foundation for success.
 - 3) Learn from other’s experiences in delivering graduate/executive education programs.

Be Strategic, Creative, Innovative, Collaborative, Accountable, and Continuously Learning.

We developed and followed a set of processes to help us deliver the program.

These processes are consistent with what we are asking our students to do.



Continuous Assessment & Learning—“Closed Loop” Learning—Process

- Course assessments
- Cohort assessments
- Sponsor feedback
- Alumni feedback

Continuous Engagement with Industry Partners is Key.

We continue to learn with each cohort.

Over the life of the program, each partner has worked with us to better understand their needs and how to adjust the program to their needs.

Examples of this interaction include:

- Efforts to establish and refine the program
- Support to courses as professors or industrial scholars.
- Attend annual conference
- Participate in cohort assessment

We are driven to engage with industry because we believe:

- The program needs to be industry driven.
- The program must solve the right problem for industry.
- We found 1-2 key players willing to take the “risk” to invest in the program.

Organization	Efforts to Establish and Refine the Program	Company Representatives Who Participated as Industrial Scholars
Harris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part of CIO Community of Practice that identified the original need for the program • Established company specific cohort • Developed the “business case” framework • See detailed case study on next page 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim Clemons • Mark Blue
KSC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participated in first cohort • Established stand-alone cohort • Provided significant off-campus model to learn from. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tip Talone • Tim Bollo
Lockheed Martin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participated in first cohort • Provided feedback about the curriculum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tom Herald (professor for Systems Engineering course) • Ed Melville • Chester Kennedy
Raytheon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided feedback about the curriculum 	
Siemens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part of CIO Community of Practice that identified the original need for the program • Provided executive endorsement of the program • Provided feedback about the curriculum • Participated in first cohort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Philip Venod • John Crane
WDW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part of CIO Community of Practice that identified the original need for the program • Provided executive endorsement of the program • Provided feedback about the curriculum • Participated in first cohort • Provided program overview concepts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MBA vs MSEM • Student responsibilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dennis Lind • Robert Wingate • Jim Porvis • Michael Duguid • Marsha Zapoli • Michael Tschanz

A Case Study of the Partnership with Harris Corporation.

Given to the right is a timeline of the major events in the partnership with the Harris Corporation. This partnership produced significant outcomes for both Harris and UCF.

We delivered 2 Harris' specific cohorts. We spent considerable time understanding Harris' needs and adjusted the curriculum to these needs.

The learnings from Harris helped us build the community and also a sustainable program.

We are grateful for this partnership.

