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Company Directors Course™ Online (In-house only)

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The Company Directors Course™ Online develops the governance skills of your board or executive team together, overcoming the challenges of geography or coordinating busy schedules.

As the business landscape evolves, so too does the role of the company director. Today's boards need to keep up to date with the latest developments in governance to manage both their own and their organisation's performance.

While ongoing professional development ensures currency and relevance, it also serves to stimulate critical thinking and improved group decision making.

The Company Directors Course Online is designed to help your board and executive team to build upon your understanding of the principles and practices of good governance. This dynamic and well-recognised course will equip you with thorough knowledge of the responsibilities of the board and its relationship with the executive team.

With over 35,000 past participants, the Company Directors Course is one of the most established director programs in the world. It has played a vital role in founding director knowledge and governance standards in Australia. Established in 1975, our flagship course is updated twice a year to provide the most current and relevant information.

How is the program delivered?

Company Directors Course Online is delivered as a flexible 19-week program (including pre-reading time and optional assessment period). Comprised of five topics that are delivered over one day per week for five weeks, or to a schedule that suits your board, the course includes relevant case studies, comprehensive course materials, director tools, facilitated online learning sessions, and the assistance of a Learning Support Executive should you wish to sit the course assessment.

Each day is led by expert facilitators who have real-world governance experience and a talent for creating an engaging learning environment online.

Is this course right for your board?

The Company Directors Course Online is designed for boards and executive teams from publicly listed, private, government and NFP sectors, wishing to further their directorship skills and knowledge as a whole.

We are also able to tailor the course to international, Indigenous and university organisations. Enquire with us to find out more.

How will you benefit?

The Company Directors Course Online blends the best of online learning with interactive facilitation to take your knowledge of directorship to new heights.

Upon completion of this course, participants are able to:

- Outline the duties and practices of directorship and the board's functions and responsibilities.
- Analyse the responsibilities and functions of directors and officers considering the key questions directors should ask about their legal environment and its impact on board decision-making.
- Examine the board's roles in developing a culture that is appropriate for the risk appetite/ tolerance of the organisation and the board's role in developing and executing strategy.
- Develop financial literacy and examine the board's role in driving organisational performance.
- Examine effective decision-making, board dynamics, the impact of individual and collective performance and how a constructive board culture can create value for an organisation.
- Apply the course learning through experiential learning activities.

Course overview

Week 1 and 2

Course Commences, pre-reading period begins. Participants gain access to their materials in MyLearning, including additional complimentary access to the *Interpreting Financial Statements* and *The Director Mindset* eLearning courses.

Participants join their Faculty Induction Session with their Lead Facilitator. This session introduces the course and materials, explains the teaching philosophy the faculty will use during their deliveries and introduces the Learning Support Executive who will support participants through the course.

Week 3

Virtual Classroom delivery - Governance and the Practice of Directorship

Week 4

Virtual Classroom delivery - The Legal Environment

Week 5

Virtual Classroom delivery - Risk and Strategy

Week 6

Virtual Classroom delivery - Financial Literacy and Performance

Week 7

Virtual Classroom delivery - Achieving Board Effectiveness

Week 8

Assessment opens and participants begin working on their assessment tasks with the support of the Learning Support Executive.

Week 19

Assessments are due.

Assessment

The optional course assessment is comprised of three tasks: a quiz, an exam and an assignment. All three must be successfully completed to achieve the Company Directors Course award and gain the GAICD postnominals.

Participants are supported in their assessment by a dedicated Learning Support Executive, who provides guidance and personalised support throughout the process.

