

Scrum Team Launch Training



At a Glance

Scrum and other iteration-based agile frameworks center around a small, cross-functional team that collaboratively delivers working software in short, timeboxed sprints (aka iterations). With Scrum, teams become very adept at building great software on a cadence and delivering it predictably. Through our Scrum Team Launch training, your team will learn how to identify and break down work to deliver increments in each sprint—and discover how Scrum practices can improve team effectiveness and morale.

Key Outcomes

- Discover how to execute and track work in a whole new way
- Learn how to shorten the agile learning curve through team formation; understand the agile way of thinking and adopting Scrum
- Empower your team to plan their first sprint and start building software iteratively and incrementally

Course Essentials

Audience

Cross-functional agile team including Scrum Master and product owner

Agile Maturity

Beginner

Maximum Attendees

20

Length

Two days

Business Challenge

While Scrum can help development organizations improve speed, quality and the bottom line, delivery success isn't automatic. In part because Scrum introduces a very different way of working and operating, most teams struggle for many sprints before they learn to deliver reliably.

Learning Objectives

- Explain how Scrum and agile practices support agile principles
- Build working agreements to support self-organization and collaboration
- Create a stack-ranked backlog of user stories for the next iteration
- Estimate the backlog using relative sizing
- Use collaborative capacity planning to commit to the user stories slated for delivery in the next iteration
- Schedule the next Scrum ceremonies, including daily standups, iteration demo/review and iteration retrospective

Plan and Execute Your First Sprint

We offer Scrum Team Launch training as a single, learn-and-plan visit where the coach helps your team learn how to apply agile in your environment, planning real work.

- Current and future state—First, we'll retrospect your current environment to fine-tune team learning objectives, then teach agile values and practices.
- Groom the backlog—We'll facilitate building a product backlog of appropriately sized and prioritized items.
- Plan the sprint—Your team will plan its first sprint by reviewing the highest-priority backlog items, conducting capacity planning, and finally, committing to the sprint.

Your Sprint in CA Agile Central

Our coaches can teach the Scrum Team Launch course with or without our agile products. If you have CA licenses, your coach will help you put your backlog and iteration plan into CA Agile Central.

About CA Agile Training

Our training courses are built on sound principles of adult learning theory, general systems thinking and group process concepts. Seasoned practitioners, who use agile to teach agile, lead our highly interactive classes and put your organization at the center of every engagement—facilitating pragmatic discussions about how to adopt agile practices and foster an agile culture in your unique environment.

Recommended CA Agile Coaching Services

By scheduling two to three days of coaching for an inspect-and-adapt return visit at the end of your sprint, you can greatly improve your team's success. Coaching activities could include:

- Observing and providing feedback on daily standup, backlog grooming or other Scrum ceremonies
- Attending a sprint demonstration and providing feedback on the team's presentation of working software to stakeholders
- Reviewing sprint data to help prepare for the sprint retrospective
- Facilitating a retrospective scoped to the prior sprint timebox to help the team discover opportunities for improvement and prioritize action items to implement in the next sprint
- Supporting the Scrum Master in facilitating backlog grooming and sprint planning for the next sprint
- Helping to configure CA Agile Central for your team—including best-practice suggestions and time-saving tips

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