PBL: A Proven Product Support Strategy

Location: Knoxville, Tennessee
Duration: 4 Days
Tuition: $4,200
Includes most meals and lodging;
$2,100 if repeating the course

Program fees are subject to change.
Check our website: http://haslam.utk.edu/PBL for information.

PARTICIPANT PROFILE
- **Primary audience:** Aerospace/Defense industry OEMs and their subcontractor partners motivated to capture and implement outcome-oriented life cycle support strategies for complex systems
- **Secondary audience:** Department of Defense Acquisition, Technology, Logistics, and Contracting professionals (program managers, product support managers, contracting officers, logistics and sustainment managers, and acquisition professionals)

PROGRAM OVERVIEW
PBL: A Proven Product Support Strategy is a four-day course designed to provide an understanding of performance-based contracting business arrangements (aka PBL) for sustainment of DoD (and international equivalent) defense programs, systems, subsystems, and components. The course is oriented toward the contractor community, and emphasizes the business model and return on investment objectives from the contractor’s point of view.

KEY OBJECTIVES
Through the integration of classroom instruction and discussion, complemented by real-world examples, these are the key takeaways and capabilities we want you to have:
- Understand the “how and why” that leads to success with performance-based product support (a win-win construct) enabled by industry profit incentives and government performance improvements combined with long-term cost reduction
- Understanding the government budget, funding, availability, and sustainment environment and challenges that can prompt government willingness to consider PBL
- Exploration of how PBL is a capture tool with many degrees of freedom that can lead to more profitable contracts, for both new and legacy programs
- Familiarity with the government statutory, policy, and guidance supporting and constraining the use of PBL
- Exploration of how PBL can be thought of as a contractor-managed DoD supply chain, inclusive of inventory management, maintenance and repair, transportation, reliability improvement, sustainability engineering, and technical support
- Awareness of the advantages of PBL for both the customer and supplier in comparison with traditional product support methods and strategies
- A thorough understanding of business arrangements including roles, responsibilities, relationships, statutory requirements, risk allocation, work allocation, constraints, enablers, and the associated contracting types, terms, and conditions that enable success

METHODS OF INSTRUCTION
The program has been designed to ensure the active involvement of all participants. A balance of theory and application is provided through lectures, question/answer sessions, case studies, and small group exercises. See a typical program schedule included with this profile sheet.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES
- Thousands of past participants
- Along with our online version, the only PBL program addressing the contractor’s perspective
- We provide the only university-based PBL programs
- Four-day program focused on establishing and executing PBL contracts and programs
- Designed for practical application - news you can use
- Boeing, Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, Pratt & Whitney, Raytheon, and the U.S. Air Force sponsored UT’s applied research upon which the program is based
- Defense Acquisition University (DAU) also partnered with UT on program development
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- Class size is limited in order to ensure interaction with faculty and fellow participants
- Program graduates may attend the PBL program at a later time for half price.

This program, like all Graduate and Executive Education open enrollment programs, is available as a customized course for organizations.

FACULTY
Program faculty consists of key experts in performance-based logistics, including:

- **Gerry Brown, MBA**, Supply Chain Visions. Gerry brings over thirty years of private sector, academic and public service experience to working with organizations, large and small, to help them achieve strategic, financial and operational goals across the supply chain. He's held positions with IBM-France, Hewlett Packard, Black and Decker, Accenture and JP Morgan Chase. For over a dozen years, Gerry has been teaching graduate programs in the Boston area – at Tufts and Northeastern Universities. In 2004-2013, at the Office of the Secretary of Defense, he worked with the Department's supply base to identify win/win arrangements in critical areas, including strategic sourcing, anti-counterfeiting and continuous process improvement.

- **Jerry Cothran, MPA**, is widely recognized as one of the pre-eminent experts in the area of PBL. Most recently he was a senior manager in logistics engineering for Lockheed Martin, where he was a corporate focal point for providing logistics & sustainment advice, guidance, and support across the company. In his 30+ year federal career, Jerry has held a range of key leadership positions in the military departments and Office of the Secretary of Defense in both Acquisition and Logistics. He was program director for PBL at Defense Acquisition University. Jerry is level 3 certified in Life Cycle Logistics with the Department of Defense.

- **Stephen R. Geary, MBA, M.Eng.**, President, Supply Chain Visions, and our faculty leader for PBL. Steve has over 30 years of experience in supply chain management— as a manager, consultant, author, educator and speaker. He’s held senior positions with Teradyne, PRTM, Emerson Electric, and IBM. Since 2002, Steve has worked extensively for the Office of the Secretary of Defense, helping drive transformation of military logistics to deliver more nimble, flexible, and responsive capabilities.

- **Wesley Randall, Ph.D.**, Dean and Professor of Logistics, New College at Frisco, University of North Texas. Wesley focuses his research on modeling the profit potential of multi-year outcome-based sustainment strategies for the Aerospace sector. Dr. Randall (Lt Col, USAF, Retired) previously served in NATO, as a USAF Squadron Commander, and as a program/logistics manager.

FACILITIES
Classes are held in the Graduate and Executive Education executive classrooms of the University of Tennessee’s Haslam College of Business. These facilities are designed to promote group interaction in an environment conducive to applied discussion, feedback, and the development of relational networks that frequently continue well beyond the on-campus experience.

Accommodations are single-occupancy rooms at the nearby Knoxville Hilton Hotel or equivalent. Transportation from the hotel to the University and to dining is provided.
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- Customized PBL workshops
- Online PBL program
- Customized Online PBL programming
- PBL executive overviews
- PBL consulting
- PBL speaking engagements at conferences
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