



## Leading SAFe for Government Course

### Course Overview

This course provides a comprehensive understanding of how to apply the Scaled Agile Framework (SAFe®) within a government and public sector environment. It focuses on enabling organizations to achieve business agility while addressing regulatory, compliance, and procurement challenges unique to government systems.

Participants will learn how to lead Lean-Agile transformation, align strategy with execution, and deliver value efficiently in mission-critical environments.

## Learning Objectives

- Understand SAFe principles and Lean-Agile mindset in government contexts
- Apply SAFe to drive transformation in public sector organizations
- Align strategy, funding, and execution across large government programs
- Lead and participate in Program Increment (PI) Planning
- Organize teams and value streams for improved delivery and transparency
- Navigate compliance, governance, and regulatory requirements in Agile
- Improve collaboration across agencies, contractors, and stakeholders
- Implement Lean Portfolio Management in government environments
- Foster a culture of continuous improvement and customer-centricity
- Enable DevOps and continuous delivery in secure, regulated systems

## Course Modules

### 1. Introduction to SAFe for Government

Explores the need for Agile transformation in government and introduces SAFe as a framework for achieving mission outcomes.

### 2. Lean-Agile Principles in Public Sector

Covers Lean thinking, Agile principles, and how they apply to compliance-driven environments.

### 3. SAFe Framework Overview

Introduces SAFe structure, roles, Agile Release Trains (ARTs), and value streams.

### 4. Government Challenges and SAFe Solutions

Addresses procurement, budgeting, governance, and cultural resistance in government transformation.

### 5. Lean-Agile Leadership

Focuses on leadership behaviors required to drive transformation and empower teams.

### 6. Team and Technical Agility

Covers cross-functional teams, built-in quality, and organizing around value.

### 7. Agile Product Delivery

Introduces customer-centric development, backlog management, and prioritization.

## 8. Program Increment (PI) Planning

Explains planning cadence, team alignment, risk management, and dependency handling.

## 9. Lean Portfolio Management

Covers strategy alignment, funding models, portfolio governance, and value delivery.

## 10. DevOps and Continuous Delivery

Introduces CI/CD, automation, and collaboration in secure and regulated environments.

## 11. Leading Change in Government

Focuses on change management, transformation roadmap, and scaling Agile practices.

## 12. Continuous Improvement

Explains metrics, feedback loops, and improvement strategies for long-term success.

### Target Audience

- Government leaders and executives
- Program and project managers
- Agile coaches and consultants
- Policy makers and transformation leaders
- Contractors working with government agencies

## Prerequisites

There are no mandatory prerequisites. However, familiarity with Agile or Scrum concepts is beneficial.

## Certification Alignment

This course prepares participants for the SAFe® Agilist (SA) certification, providing globally recognized credentials and access to SAFe resources, tools, and professional communities.

## Key Benefits

- Learn how to apply Agile in regulated, compliance-driven environments
- Gain tools to align large government programs and portfolios
- Improve delivery speed, transparency, and accountability
- Build a culture of collaboration and continuous improvement
- Achieve certification recognized across both public and private sectors