

National Seafood Industry Leadership Program Background

The National Seafood Industry Leadership Program (NSILP) equips individuals with skills, networks and a whole-of-industry perspective, giving them the opportunity to represent their industry and make a contribution at a nation level in the future. The program comprises three residential sessions over 6 months with participants making a commitment to undertake a significant industry project during that time. The NSILP design focuses on creating effective linkages between current leaders and participants through mentoring, industry information sessions and participation at program dinners.

The NSILP is the only national seafood industry specific leadership program and was initially designed in consultation with seafood industry people through the work of the Australian Fisheries Academy. In excess of two hundred graduates of all ages and from all sectors of the industry have benefited from the skills and knowledge developed during the program.

The program focuses on developing skills that participants can apply at three levels—personal, business and industry. Participants are also encouraged to develop and implement plans associated with these three areas. The NSILP participants will also be involved in a national industry project of strategic importance.

W1 – Program Purpose

Purpose

To provide an overview of the program, the people facilitating and the organisations funding, sponsoring and supporting the program, as well as establishing the climate for learning and leadership development.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Identify personal expectations of the program;
- Understand learning environments and behaviours to favour optimal outcomes and;
- Know people involved in the program and roles they hold.

W2 – Identifying Leadership

Purpose

To discuss and understand leadership and the positive impact this will have on the program and participants.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Establish and share their concepts of leadership and;
- Develop a team leadership values list to implement.

W3 – Communication – Effective Communication

Purpose

To discover the integral part that effective communication plays in leadership excellence.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Understand communication theory;
- Develop new effective communication strategies and;
- Practise effective communication through a practical experience.

W4 – Learning and Leadership

Purpose

To develop an understanding of learning through forming partnerships and teams.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Have first-hand knowledge of the importance of forming strong partnerships to maximise learning throughout the program;
- Understand the learning cycle and;
- Develop a leadership learning plan in three specific areas—self, leadership and industry.

W5 – Communication – Speaking in Public

Purpose

To develop the ability to convey information and ideas with clarity and impact.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Increase their confidence to speak in public;

- Develop an appreciation of the need to prepare when communicating publicly and;
- Experience presenting a prepared speech to an audience.

W6 - Personalities

Purpose

To explore two personality theories and reflect on how personality positively impacts on leadership, teams and activity outcomes.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Have a personality profile that will assist them when working with others;
- Experience personality differences when working in teams and;
- Develop a personal plan for maximising outcomes through the effective use of personality types.

W7 – Team Dinner

Purpose

To develop strong relationships within the team and consolidate a Vision and potential team Mission concept.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Have had a conversation with all other course participants and establish essential knowledge of the whole team;
- Formulate a fishing and seafood industry Vision for NSILP;
- Develop a Mission for the NSILP team and;
- Develop a list of Strategies to be actioned for implementing the NSILP Mission.

W8 – Industry Tour

W9 – Reviewing Day 1

Purpose

To understand the importance of reflection in the learning cycle.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Understand the 4D process and;
- Reflect using the first two steps of 4D.

W10 – Building Teams

Purpose

To understand the team development process and the outcomes possible when an effective and diverse team is formed.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Develop knowledge regarding the process of team development;
- Gain an understanding of the key functions of a team;
- Reflect on your experience of being part of a team and the characteristics that brought about the achievement of the shared goal and;
- Experience team effectiveness.

W11 – Industry Panel and Q&A

Purpose

To practice leadership skills through listening and questioning industry leaders.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Gain knowledge regarding the personal benefits and costs of leadership, the current leadership capacity within the fishing and seafood industry and how to become involved in leadership within the industry;
- Practise using established group leadership values and;
- Develop understanding of teams and leadership through a practical activity.

W`12 – Developing a Vision and Mission

Purpose

To develop a sense of intent and goal for the NSILP group through the development of the vision.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Consider a process to reach the defined outcome;
- Further develop the vision and mission statements and;
- Consolidate objectives, strategies and potential outcomes for the mission.

W13 – Mission and Strategy Plan

Purpose

To develop a mission plan for the whole group.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Understand the theory of planning and the application of planning and;
- Develop a whole group mission plan.

W14 - Networking

Purpose

To understand the theory and practice of networking.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Develop team and individual networking protocol and;
- Establish networking goals for each program session and for the mission.

W15 – Industry Dinner

Purpose

To establish relationships within the seafood industry.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Practise effective communication;
- Participate in sharing the NSILP vision and mission to the broader industry;
- Develop further networks and;
- Establish their presence in the seafood industry.

W 16 – Understanding Days 1 & 2

Purpose Day 3

To reflect on key learning from Days 1 & 2 using 4D.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Complete a full 4D (four step) process during the reflection period and;
- Establish timetabling of 4D for the participant mission.

W17 – Leadership Theories and Practice

Purpose

To understand current leadership theories and develop practical utilisation of theories.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Gain an understanding of current leadership theories;

- Develop a process of utilisation of one theory through a plan and;
- Establish how they will use this theory during the mission implementation between Residential #1 and Residential #2.

W18 - Meetings

Purpose

To gain practical experience in managing people during meetings.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Gain insight into decision-making theory;
- Establish historic experience of well-run meetings;
- Build a practical template for running effective meetings;
- Develop personal learning objectives for meetings and;
- Practise effective meetings.

W19 – Mission Implementation

Purpose

To succinctly deliver the NSILP Mission proposal.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Implement their public speaking and communication skills;
- Practise their leadership skills and;
- Deliver a mission proposal that is based on sound project planning and implementation principles.

W20 – Briefing, Debrief and Close

Purpose

To conclude Residential #1.

Outcomes:

Participants will:

- Have an opportunity to complete a final reflection and provide formal feedback.

W21 – Reconnection

Purpose

To provide an opportunity to review and further develop communication skills through a 'catch-up' process.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Develop an understanding of achievements and success;
- Analyse issues that impact on personal output and;
- Reflect on personality style and impacts of those styles.

W 22 – Teams and Leadership

Purpose

To provide the NSILP team with an opportunity to understand the complexities of teams and develop a personal process for leading a team.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Gain a deeper knowledge about teams through team theory;
- Have an opportunity to establish some NSILP team leadership behaviours with the strategy groups;

- Develop a detailed plan regarding leadership in teams that is practically based to ensure implementation outside of NSILP.

W23 – Strategy Update and Next Steps

Purpose

For participants to provide an update on the project outcomes to date and work towards leadership development through project team development and management.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Have an opportunity to practise public speaking;
- Develop a project team to assist in achieving results;
- Develop a whole-group project concept embedded in the NSILP Mission, and;
- Give and receive feedback about project outcomes to date.

W24 - Strategies – Work and Research

Purpose

To further implement the team's mission and experience working as a team and providing leadership.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Review the mission;
- Develop deeper understanding of the mission through a research and information gathering process;
- Revise the mission through gathered information and strategy outcomes (to date), and;
- Commence formulating a presentation concept for Canberra.

W25 – Team Mission Review

W26 – Team Dinner

W27 – Tour and Reviewing Day 4

W 28 – Handling Conflict

Purpose

To develop strategies for handling conflict in all areas of life including industry organisations and government agencies.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Develop an increased awareness of preferences in handling conflict;
- Plan strategies for handling conflict, and;
- Practise dealing with conflict in individual and group situations.

W29 – Understanding Our Industry Panel

Purpose

To practise leadership skills through listening and questioning industry leaders.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Gain knowledge regarding the industry on a big-picture scale;
- Practise questioning techniques and review outcomes;
- Use questioning techniques focusing on closed, open and probing questions, and;
- Develop their industry network.

W30 – Media and Messages

Purpose

For participants to understand the process, complexities, challenges and rewards of working with the media.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Understand management of relationships with media people;
- Understand the complexities of media releases, and;
- Prepare and practise a media strategy for their projects

W31 – industry Networking Dinner Briefing

Purpose

To demonstrate effective industry leadership through networking at, and management of, an industry dinner.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Manage the networking process;
- Manage the dinner from guests arriving to departure, and;
- Present an 'enhanced' Mission statement—showing full integration of strategies.

W32 – Understanding Day 5

Purpose

To understand the importance of reflection in the learning cycle.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Understand the 4D process;
- Reflect using all the 4D steps, and;
- Share learnings with the group.

W33 – Power and Behaviours

Purpose

To understand the bases of power and establish personal power bases.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Be provided with theory of power bases;
- Review their own perceived power base;
- Receive feedback of personal power base, and;
- Develop strategies for working with specific individuals.
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W34 – Mission and Strategies – Canberra Presentation

W35 - Mentoring

Purpose

To further develop the concepts of mentoring and mentee.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Review outcomes of the current internal mentoring arrangement, and;
- Develop a personal task sheet for effectively managing the external mentoring process.

W36 – Brief and Debrief

Purpose

To conclude Residential Two and set directions for Residential Three.

Outcomes:

Participants will:

- Have an opportunity to complete a final reflection and provide formal feedback, and;
- Develop a strategy at a personal and group level to deliver in Canberra.

W37 – Looking Forward

Purpose

To provide participants with an up-to-date briefing for Canberra and commence thinking about “beyond NSILP”.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Understand what will be achieved by the conclusion of Canberra;
- Set the scene for post-Canberra;
- Provide the whole team with an update on mentoring outcomes and;
- Establish needs of individuals in the team that will ensure personal and team success.

W38 – Taking the Next Step

Purpose

For participants to examine their personal leadership style and make strategic changes to it for the future of the seafood industry.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Understand themselves through others’ perceptions and opinions;
- Strategically plan their leadership journey and learning and;
- Set leadership targets for the short-term and mid-term.

W39 – Industry Panel

Purpose

To practise leadership skills through listening and questioning guest speakers.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Gain knowledge regarding the seafood industry from a national and international perspective;
- Work as a team to gain significant information through effective questioning techniques and;
- Enhance their industry network.

W40 – Parliament House

Purpose

To expose NSILP to Icons of Power through visiting Parliament House.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Observe the locales of power in Australia's capital;
- Observe and understand the physical power structure within and beyond Parliament House and;
- Pay attention to how extravert/introvert (BIG FIVE) would manage the parliamentary chambers.

W41 – Mission Presentation, Preparation & Practice

Purpose

For all participants to hear all strategy practices and to provide effective feedback.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Practise mission and strategy presentations;
- Refine presentation to a level of excellence;
- Hear and provide additional assistance to the team and;
- Perform as a team.

W42 – Debriefing, Briefing and Planning for Success

W43 – Review

W44 – Working Effectively with Decision-makers

Purpose

For participants to gain an understanding of the complexities of lobbying.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Be provided with information from an experienced networker;
- Develop understanding of lobbying processes;
- Identify an operating environment for lobbying and;
- Initiate the building of a lobbying case.

W45 – Leading the Industry

Purpose

For participants to observe leadership in action and examine their personal leadership style and make strategic changes to it for the future of the seafood industry.

Outcomes

Participants will:

- Listen to and question a current industry leader;
- Understand themselves through others' perceptions and opinions;
- Strategically plan their leadership journey and learning and;
- Set leadership targets for the short-term and mid-term.

W46 – Mission and Strategy Presentation

W47 – Graduation Dinner Brief

W48 – Close