

Paths and Core Competencies

The Toastmasters Pathways learning experience was developed around the five core competencies identified by the Board of Directors.

FIVE CORE COMPETENCIES

It is important to note that each member using Base Camp will have the opportunity to select from many electives to extend their learning. With the addition of electives, members have the flexibility to cover all core competencies within each path.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

2

INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION

3

STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP

4

MANAGEMENT

5

CONFIDENCE

Confidence is unique because it cannot be taught, but is gained in every path.



Paths, Levels and Electives





DYNAMIC LEADERSHIP

This path helps you build your skills as a strategic leader. The projects on this path focus on understanding leadership and communication styles, the effect of conflict on a group and the skills needed to defuse and direct conflict. These projects also emphasize the development of strategies to facilitate change in an organization or group, interpersonal communication and public speaking. This path culminates in a project focused on applying your leadership skills. *Not available in non-English printed materials.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Understanding Your Communication Style
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

• Negotiate the Best Outcome

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- · Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- Connect with Your Audience
- Make Connections Through Networking
- · Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- Effective Body Language
- Active Listening
- Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

Manage Change

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Building a Social Media Presence Question-and-Answer Session
- Managing a Difficult Audience
 Public Relations Strategies
- Write a Compelling Blog
- Manage Online Meetings

- Manage Projects Successfully



Demonstrating Expertise

- Lead in Any Situation
- Reflect on Your Path

- Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion
- Ethical Leadership
- High Performance Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- Prepare to Speak Professionally







EFFECTIVE COACHING

This path helps you build your skills as a positive communicator and leader. The projects on this path focus on understanding and building consensus, contributing to the development of others by coaching and establishing strong public speaking skills. Each project emphasizes the importance of effective interpersonal communication. This path culminates in a "High Performance Leadership" project of your design. *Not available in printed materials.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Understanding Your Communication Style
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

· Reaching Consensus

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- Connect with Your Audience
- Make Connections Through Networking
- · Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- Effective Body Language
- Active Listening
- Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

 Improvement Through Positive Coaching

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Building a Social Media Presence Question-and-Answer Session
- Managing a Difficult Audience
 Public Relations Strategies
- Write a Compelling Blog
- Manage Online Meetings

- Manage Projects Successfully



Demonstrating Expertise

- High Performance Leadership
- · Reflect on Your Path

- · Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion
- Ethical Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- Prepare to Speak Professionally







ENGAGING HUMOR

This path helps you build your skills as an accomplished public speaker. The projects on this path focus on learning how an audience responds to different types of humor and improving your ability to deliver a message with humor. The projects contribute to developing an understanding of effective public speaking technique, speech writing, speech delivery, and using humorous stories. This path culminates in an extended speech that will allow you to apply what you learned.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Know Your Sense of Humor
- Connect With Your Audience
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

· Engage Your Audience with Humor

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- · Connect with Your Audience
- Make Connections Through Networking
- Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- Active Listening



Building Skills

 The Power of Humor in an Impromptu Speech

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Building a Social Media Presence Public Relations Strategies
- Write a Compelling Blog
- Manage Online Meetings
- · Question-and-Answer Session
- Manage Projects Successfully
- · Managing a Difficult Audience



Demonstrating Expertise

- Deliver Your Message with Humor `
- · Reflect on Your Path

- · Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion
- · Ethical Leadership
- · High Performance Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- Prepare to Speak Professionally







INNOVATIVE PLANNING

This path helps you build your skills as a public speaker and leader. The projects on this path focus on developing a strong connection with audience members when you present, speech writing and speech delivery. The projects contribute to building an understanding of the steps to manage a project, as well as creating innovative solutions. This path culminates in a "High Performance Leadership" project of your design. *Not available in printed materials.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Connect With Your Audience
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

· Present a Proposal

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- Make Connections Through Networking
- · Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- · Effective Body Language
- Active Listening
- · Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

Manage Projects Successfully

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Manage Online Meetings
- Building a Social Media Presence Question-and-Answer Session
- Managing a Difficult Audience Public Relations Strategies
- Write a Compelling Blog



Demonstrating Expertise

- High Performance Leadership
- · Reflect on Your Path

- Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion
- Ethical Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- Prepare to Speak Professionally







LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

This path helps you build your skills as an effective communicator and leader. The projects on this path focus on learning how to manage time, as well as how to develop and implement a plan. Public speaking and leading a team are emphasized in all projects. This path culminates in the planning and execution of an event that will allow you to apply everything you learned.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Managing Time
- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

· Planning and Implementing

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- Connect with Your Audience
- Make Connections Through Networking
- · Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- Effective Body Language
- Active Listening
- Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

Leading Your Team

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Building a Social Media Presence Question-and-Answer Session
- Managing a Difficult Audience
 Public Relations Strategies
- Write a Compelling Blog
- Manage Online Meetings

- Manage Projects Successfully



Demonstrating Expertise

- Manage Successful Events
- Reflect on Your Path

- Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion
- Ethical Leadership
- High Performance Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- Prepare to Speak Professionally







MOTIVATIONAL STRATEGIES

This path helps you build your skills as a powerful and effective communicator. The projects focus on learning strategies for building connections with the people around you, understanding motivation and successfully leading small groups to accomplish tasks. This path culminates in a comprehensive team-building project that brings all of your skills together—including public speaking. *Not available in printed materials.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Understanding Your Communication Style
- Active Listening
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

 Understanding Emotional Intelligence

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- Connect with Your Audience
- Make Connections Through Networking
- · Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- Effective Body Language
- Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

Motivate Others

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Building a Social Media Presence Question-and-Answer Session
- Manage Online Meetings
- Managing a Difficult Audience
 Public Relations Strategies
 - Manage Projects Successfully



Demonstrating Expertise

- Team Building
- Reflect on Your Path

Level 5 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion

Write a Compelling Blog

- Ethical Leadership
- High Performance Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- Prepare to Speak Professionally







PERSUASIVE INFLUENCE

This path helps you build your skills as an innovative communicator and leader. The projects on this path focus on how to negotiate a positive outcome together with building strong interpersonal communication and public speaking skills. Each project emphasizes developing leadership skills to use in complex situations, as well as creating innovative solutions to challenges. This path culminates in a "High Performance Leadership" project of your design. *Not available in printed materials.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Active Listening
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

 Understanding Conflict Resolution

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- · Connect with Your Audience
- Make Connections Through Networking
- · Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- Effective Body Language
- · Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

 Leading in Difficult Situations

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Building a Social Media Presence Question-and-Answer Session
- Managing a Difficult Audience
 Public Relations Strategies
- Write a Compelling Blog
- Manage Online Meetings

- Manage Projects Successfully



Demonstrating Expertise

- High Performance Leadership
- · Reflect on Your Path

- · Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion
- · Ethical Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- Prepare to Speak Professionally







PRESENTATION MASTERY

This path helps you build your skills as an accomplished public speaker. The projects on this path focus on learning how an audience responds to you and improving your connection with audience members. The projects contribute to developing an understanding of effective public speaking technique, including speech writing and speech delivery. This path culminates in an extended speech that will allow you to apply what you learned.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Understanding Your Communication Style
- Effective Body Language
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

· Persuasive Speaking

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- Connect with Your Audience
- Make Connections Through Networking
- · Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- Active Listening
- · Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

 Managing a Difficult Audience

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Building a Social Media Presence Public Relations Strategies
- Write a Compelling Blog
- Manage Online Meetings
- · Question-and-Answer Session
- Manage Projects Successfully



Demonstrating Expertise

- Prepare to Speak Professionally
- · Reflect on Your Path

- · Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion
- · Ethical Leadership
- · High Performance Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization







STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIPS

This path helps you build your skills as a leader in communication. The projects on this path focus on understanding diversity, building personal and/or professional connections with a variety of people and developing a public relations strategy. Communicating well interpersonally and as a public speaker is emphasized in each project. The path culminates in a project to apply your skills as a leader in a volunteer organization. *Not available in non-English printed materials.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Cross-Cultural Understanding
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

 Make Connections Through Networking

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- Connect with Your Audience
- · Focus on the Positive

- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- Effective Body Language
- · Active Listening
- · Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

Public Relations Strategies

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Manage Online Meetings
- Building a Social Media Presence Question-and-Answer Session
- Managing a Difficult Audience
 Manage Projects Successfully
- Write a Compelling Blog



Demonstrating Expertise

- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- · Reflect on Your Path

- Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion
- · Ethical Leadership
- High Performance Leadership
- · Prepare to Speak Professionally







TEAM COLLABORATION

This path helps you build your skills as a collaborative leader. The projects on this path focus on active listening, motivating others and collaborating with a team. Each project contributes to building interpersonal communication and public speaking skills. This path culminates in a project focused on applying your leadership skills. *Not available in non-English printed materials.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Active Listening
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

Successful Collaboration

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- · Connect with Your Audience
- Make Connections Through Networking
- · Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- · Effective Body Language
- · Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

Motivate Others

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Building a Social Media Presence Question-and-Answer Session
- Manage Online Meetings
- Managing a Difficult Audience
 Public Relations Strategies
- Write a Compelling Blog
- Manage Projects Successfully



Demonstrating Expertise

- · Lead in Any Situation
- Reflect on Your Path

- Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion
- Ethical Leadership
- High Performance Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- Prepare to Speak Professionally







VISIONARY COMMUNICATION

This path helps you build your skills as a strategic communicator and leader. The projects on this path focus on developing your skills for sharing information with a group, planning communications and creating innovative solutions. Speech writing and speech delivery are emphasized in each project. This path culminates in the development and launch of a long-term personal or professional vision. *Not available in printed materials.

Five Levels



Mastering Fundamentals

- Ice Breaker
- Evaluation and Feedback
- · Researching and Presenting



Learning Your Style

- Understanding Your Leadership Style
- Understanding Your Communication Style
- Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring



Increasing Knowledge

• Develop a Communication

Level 3 Elective Projects (choose 2)

- Deliver Social Speeches
- Using Presentation Software
- Connect with Storytelling
- Creating Effective Visual Aids
- Using Descriptive Language
- Connect with Your Audience
- Make Connections Through Networking
- · Focus on the Positive
- Inspire Your Audience
- Prepare for an Interview
- Understanding Vocal Variety
- · Effective Body Language
- Active Listening
- · Know Your Sense of Humor



Building Skills

Communicate Change

Level 4 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Create a Podcast
- Building a Social Media Presence Question-and-Answer Session
- Manage Online Meetings
- Managing a Difficult Audience
 Public Relations Strategies
 - Manage Projects Successfully



Demonstrating Expertise

- · Develop Your Vision
- Reflect on Your Path

Level 5 Elective Projects (choose 1)

- Lessons Learned
- Moderate a Panel Discussion

Write a Compelling Blog

- Ethical Leadership
- High Performance Leadership
- Leading in Your Volunteer Organization
- Prepare to Speak Professionally