Developing the Leaders That Will Drive Minnesota’s Technology Community Forward

The ACE Leadership Program is a six-month leadership development course that prepares technology leaders for success in their organizations and to serve as effective, transformational leaders. Six day-long sessions expand participants’ knowledge of the Minnesota technology ecosystem, deepens core leadership competencies, strengthens their network, and emphasizes awareness of different leadership styles.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Executive Mentorship
ACE leaders are paired with a senior leader in technology to help guide their leadership journey throughout the course.

Leadership Development Work
Coursework focuses on recognizing one's leadership style, driving innovation, building a strong leadership brand, public speaking, negotiation, developing tech talent, inclusion in tech, and more.

Group Business Case Study
Leaders work on small group strategy-based project which culminates with a presentation to MnTech’s Board of Directors.

SESSION TOPICS

Each session includes a presentation from and discussion with a senior executive who will share lessons learned in their areas of expertise.

- Building & Sustaining Your Leadership Brand
- Communicating for Results
- Building Positive Team Culture; Developing & Activating Networks
- Strengths-Based Leadership; Leaders Leading Leaders
- Engaging in the Broader Community
- Cultivating Inclusive Organizations
“I’m excited about the ACE Leadership program through the Minnesota Technology Association. It helps leaders at SPS Commerce to gain skills focused on leading as part of a development cohort, learn from executives in our community, and network with peers. I highly recommend ACE as a way to invest in developing your team!”

– Jamie Thingelstad, Chief Technology Officer  
SPS Commerce

INVESTMENT

2024 Program Cost: $3,500  
Companies demonstrate a clear investment in their employees’ development, while giving emerging leaders the tools they need to produce stronger outcomes and effectively lead within the ir teams.

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