



# **A Leadership Journey In Federal Government**

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# Potential Leadership Tracks in Federal Government

Leadership at all Levels

Situational Leaders

Pre-Supervisors

Team Leaders

Supervisors

Pre-Executive

Executive Manager

Senior Leader

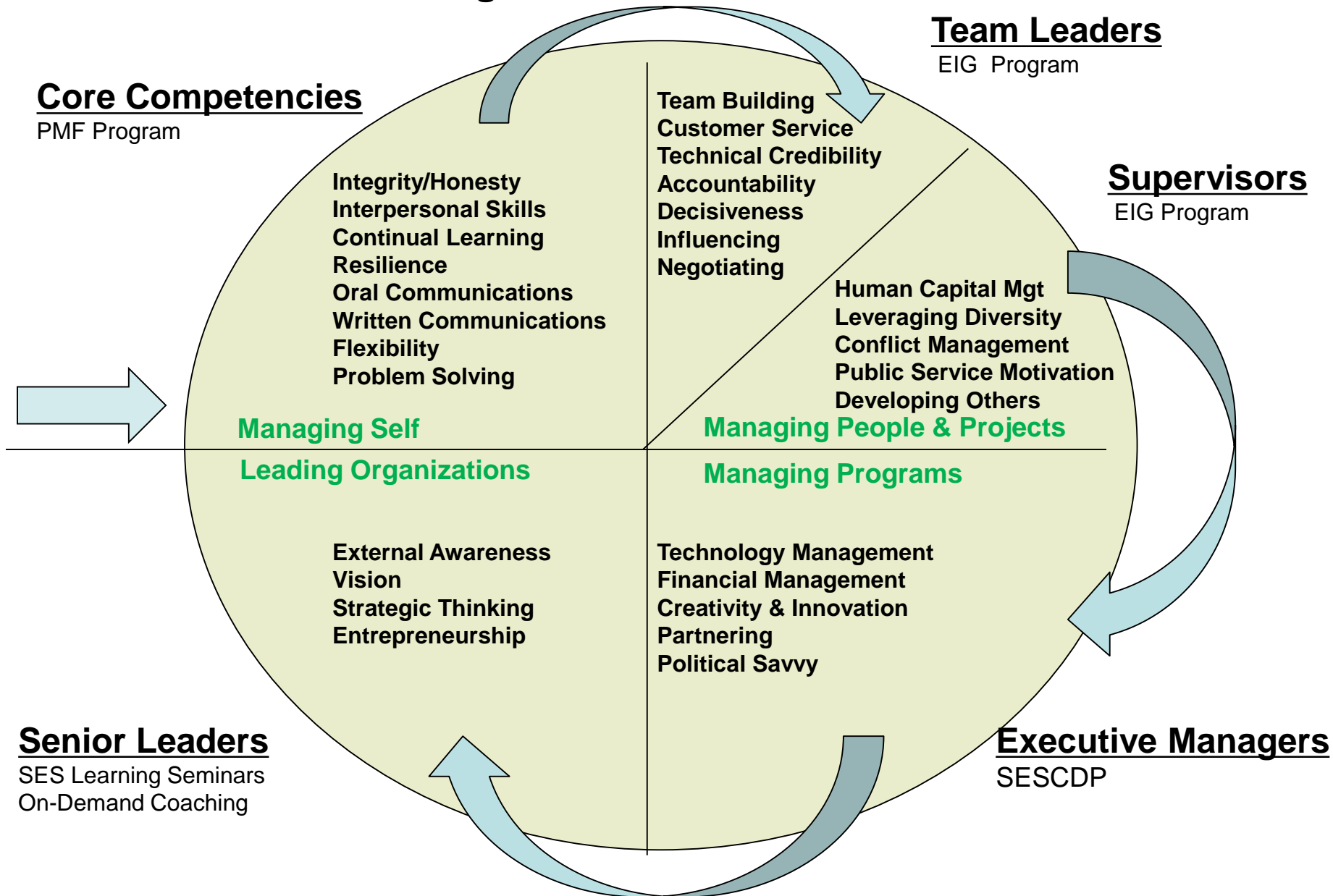
Team Projects, Meetings, Instructor-Led Training, On-Line Training, Informal Learning, Experiential Learning, Coaching, Mentoring, Books, and Seminars

Technical, ECQ and Supervisory Competencies

Leadership Values:

Integrity, Excellence, Service, Respect, Team Cooperation, Commitment, Openness, Collaboration, Creativity, and Innovation.

# A Leadership Journey Path: Professional Career and Organizational Success



# Situational Leaders

Presidential Management Fellows Program - a flagship leadership development program at the entry level (GS-9/11/12) for advanced degree candidates. The Program attracts and selects the best candidates possible through rigorous competitive process, designed with a narrow focus - developing a cadre of potential government leaders.

## Program Requirements

- Participant Agreement
- Federal mentor outside of command at the managerial level
- Individual Development Plan (IDP)
- 80 hours of formal interactive training per year
- Developmental assignment
- Agency-specific requirements
- Successful performance reviews
- Executive Resources Board (ERB) certification

## Key focus

ECQ and Technical competencies for position series

## Other activities

Short rotations, books, shadowing and informational interviews.

# Pre-Supervisors

Leadership Potential Program - Competitive 12-month programs, i.e., EIG Program designed to prepare for team leader, supervisory, or other positions requiring supervisory, managerial, and leadership skills and abilities. GS 13/14/15 employees

## *Potential Program Requirements:*

- Leadership Self Assessments
- Leadership Orientation
- Interpersonal Communications
- Conflict Management
- Employee Retention Tools and Techniques
- Diversity and Inclusion Management for Supervisors
- Motivating Others and Team Development
- Complete a 90-day rotational assignment
- Complete 1-week leadership off-site and participate in monthly leadership briefings

## *Potential Online Courses:*

- Decision Making
- Feedback Essentials
- Goal Setting
- Leading and Motivating
- Meeting Management
- Persuading Others
- Presentation Skills
- Time Management
- Delegating
- Virtual Teams
- Managing Upward
- Change Management
- Processes Improvement

# Supervisors

Supervisory Development Programs - Agency sponsored program for new Supervisors designed to develop supervisory and leadership skills required at that level. GS-14/15 employees.

## *Potential Program Requirements:*

- Develop Leadership Development Plan
- Orientation to Leadership
- Interpersonal Communications
- Conflict Management
- Employee Retention Tools and Techniques
- Financial Management Seminar
- Acquisition Management
- Coaching for Results
- Managing Employees in Troubling Times
- Recruitment, Behavioral Interviewing
- Culture and Values Management
- Diversity and Inclusion Management for Supervisors
- Motivating Others and Team Development
- Performance Management

## *Potential Courses:*

- Career Management
- Change Management
- Delegating
- Developing Employees
- Difficult Interactions
- Finance Essentials
- Feedback Essentials
- Leading and Motivating
- Managing Upward
- Meeting Management
- New Manager Transitions
- Virtual Teams

# Pre-Executive

Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program (SESCDP) -  
Competitive 18-Month program designed to develop leadership skills required of  
SES. GG-14/15 employees.

## Program Requirements

- Meets all requirements for an SES-CDP as established in 5 CFR Part 412 and plan must be approved by OPM
  - Executive Development Plan
  - Minimum 80 Hours interagency training focused on ECQs
  - Minimum 4-month rotational assignment
  - SES Mentor

## Other Activities

- Benchmarking Site Visits
- Coursework
- Individual Needs Assessments
- On-the-job Training
- Rotational Assignments
- Shadowing Assignments
- Team Projects

# Senior Executive Service

Executive Onboarding Programs- On December 15, 2015, President Barack Obama issued an [Executive Order](#) to strengthen the Federal Government's ability to recruit, hire, and develop Senior Executives.

## SES Onboarding Activities:

- Leadership Assessments
- Executive Development Plan
- SES Mentoring and Coaching
- SES Rotations to Federal, State, Local governments, colleges and universities, tribal governments, and other eligible organizations

## Learning Resources:

OPM Federal Executive Institute

OPM SES Situational Mentoring Program

SES Leadership Onboarding Seminars

Career SES Orientation Briefings

Executive Best Practices Guide



# Training Program Acronyms

- **PMF** – Presidential Management Fellow
- **Agency ERB** – Executive Resources Board
- **OPM** – Office of Personnel Management
- **SES** – Senior Executive Service
- **SESCDP** – Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program
- **ECQs** – Executive Core Qualifications
- **OPM QRB** – Qualifications Review Board
- **EIG** – Excellence in Government Fellows Program
- **IDP** – Individual Development Plan
- **LDP** – Leadership Development Plan
- **EDP** – Executive Development Plan
- **5 CFR Part 410 and 412** – Code of Federal Regulations for Employee and Executive Training