

Lean Manufacturing Level One Practitioner Certification - State College

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Become the Lean Leader Your Team Deserves

(7 session, in-person, State College, PA)

This program starts in:



Ready to stop talking about Lean and start leading it?

The *Lean Manufacturing Level One Practitioner Certification* is IMC's powerhouse; hands-on training program built for doers—not just dreamers. Across **seven high-impact sessions from September 23 through December 16**, you'll learn to eliminate waste, boost performance, and deliver real results where it matters most: on the floor.

This isn't just training. It's transformation—with a credential to prove it.

Seats are Limited - Secure Yours Now for Only \$1,995!

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Why This Program Works

- **Real Tools, Real Results** - Go beyond buzzwords with A3 Thinking, Value Stream Mapping, SMED, 5S, and more—then use them immediately back at your plant.
- **Coached to Succeed** - Certified Lean experts work with you one-on-one to guide your improvement project and make sure it delivers measurable gains.
- **Respected Certification** - Earn your Lean Manufacturing Practitioner Certificate and show leadership you're ready to drive continuous improvement.
- **Collaborate & Compete** - Learn alongside peers from across the region, swap ideas, and push each other to raise the bar.

Who Should Register

- Front-line supervisors, team leaders, and shift coordinators
- Quality, engineering, and continuous improvement professionals
- Anyone serious about unlocking Lean results on the shop floor

Get Ready to

- **Lead change and guide teams** through high-impact, high-energy projects that produce exceptional results—*impressing managers and increasing your contribution value* to the business.
- **Streamline your operations** by identifying bottlenecks, eliminating waste, and transforming chaos into clarity—*fast-tracking improvements leadership*

can see and measure.

- **Communicate like a Lean expert** by confidently using data, visuals, and proven methods that *get people aligned, engaged, and taking action.*
- **Elevate your professional reputation** by becoming the person who doesn't just understand Lean—but *delivers it, owns it, and drives it forward.*

Lean Manufacturing Level One Practitioner Certification Flyer

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Your Certification Journey

This seven-session program has the following topical sessions:

- A3 Thinking & Team Communication - September 23
- Value Stream Mapping & Gemba Walks - October 7
- Root Cause Analysis & 5S - October 21
- SMED (Quick Changeover) & Visual Controls - November 4
- Onsite Gemba & Project Coaching - November 18
- Standard Work, Project Updates & Capstone Simulation - December 2
- Final Project Report-out & Celebration - December 16

[Click here for session day details.](#)

Where

All sessions will be held at the Technology Center in University Park, PA (Centre County), with the exception of November 18, which will be held at an IMC manufacturing client's facility.

Instructor



Nico de Sousa Serro, Lean/Continuous Improvement Expert

Nico is a Lean/Continuous Improvement content expert at an IMC sister-center where he is responsible for facilitating organizational continuous improvement efforts, implementation of Lean methodologies, and creating Lean/CI content. This involves developing onsite collaborative solutions and training, as well as conducting training and education courses. Nico has extensive experience in process improvement and Lean philosophy implementation, having driven many initiatives on manufacturing plant floor settings. Nico served as the Continuous Improvement Manager at Chelten House Products and held various roles within quality, production, and warehousing at the Pepsi Bottling Group. Nico championed several Six Sigma and Total Productive Maintenance (TPM) initiatives, in addition to maintaining ISO 22000 plant quality standards. Nico holds a bachelor's degree in business with dual concentrations in Operations and Supply Chain Management and Economics from Drexel University's LeBow College of Business. Nico also holds a Green Belt Six Sigma certification from Vilanova University.



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