

The Future of the Office

Course Numbers

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Course Description

As the landscape of work continues to evolve, understanding the Future of the Office is more important than ever. To support the hybrid work model, changes are happening to help people be more effective and make spaces more efficient. Haworth has identified five themes that organizations should consider as they plan their office design for the future.

This 1-hour course will provide an understanding of the hybrid work concept, the Work from Anywhere ecosystem, and the five essential themes driving the future of the office.

Learning Objectives

- Understand the concept of hybrid work and identify 5 themes for the future of office, as discovered through research.
- Define immersive technology and the design consideration to support the new hybrid activities.
- Understand how the purpose of the office has changed to support more collaboration, and how spaces are accommodating and changing to meet the demand.
- Explain restorative and focus work areas are imperative in the office landscape.
- Understand the space shift that happening in office spaces and the impact of giving more choice to people in where they work.
- Explore ways to bring more human elements into space to make it feel safe, comfortable, and welcoming.
- Discover how to tie it all together and design for the future of the office.

Course Outline

1. Introduction
2. Concept of hybrid work and the Work from Anywhere ecosystem
3. Research and customer insights
4. 5 themes for future office designs
 - a. Immersive technology and design considerations
 - b. The changing purpose of the office to support more collaboration
 - c. Importance of restorative and focus work areas
 - d. The space shift and empowering choice
 - e. Infusing human elements for comfort
5. Designing for the Future of the Office
6. Questions and discussion

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