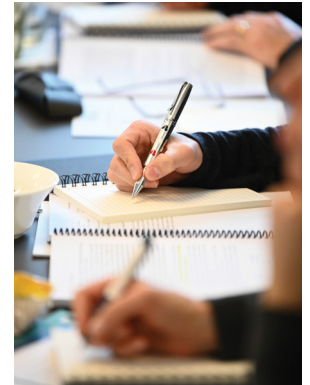


The Aspen Executive Seminar on Leadership, Values, and the Good Society






The Executive Seminar was not intended to make a corporate treasurer a more skilled corporate treasurer, but to help a leader gain access to his or her own humanity by becoming more self-aware, more self-correcting, and more self-fulfilling.

—Walter Paepcke
The Aspen Institute Founder and
former CEO, Container Corporation of America

The most effective leadership begins with self-leadership. Leaders need time and space away from the urgent to reflect, in the company of diverse and inquiring peers, on what is most essential in making decisions. The Aspen Executive Seminar on Leadership, Values, and the Good Society challenges participants to refine their leadership through a critical examination of their core values. For 75 years we have brought together thousands of established and emerging leaders to learn from each other and from some of the most influential social, political, and cultural thinkers of the past and present. Participants emerge personally renewed, professionally re-focused, and better prepared to lead as they confront the difficult choices of our ever-changing world.

Where the journey of reflection ends, the seeds of action are sown.

The seminar probes the leadership dimensions of such fundamental questions as:

-  **What are my core values**, and how do they align with those of others, my organization, and my community?
-  **How do I navigate the competing tensions** among the values which inform the decisions I make?
-  **What is a good society** and what is my role in making it a reality?

Our unique, humanities-based approach to leadership development uses classic and contemporary nonfiction, philosophical, and literary texts as the basis for intensive, interactive roundtable dialogues. Under the guidance of Aspen-trained moderators, small groups of 18-23 participants explore the tensions among the values that inform their most important leadership decisions. Activities and time for reflection complement the dialogue process.

Participants leave the seminar with:

- **Greater self-knowledge** and authenticity rooted in core values
- **Increased self-directed vision** and the ability to inspire others
- **Enhanced abilities** to deal with ambiguity, complexity, and change
- **Improved capacity to work with diverse groups** towards a common purpose
- **A council of dedicated peers** from a wide range of sectors



2025 Seminar Information

April 5-11, 2025	September 13-19, 2025
June 7-13, 2025	October 4-10, 2025
August 16-22, 2025	November 1-7, 2025

These seminars take place at the Aspen Meadows Resort in Aspen, Colorado.



Fee to Attend in 2025

Inclusive of lodging, meals, activities, and seminar materials. Airfare is not included; early flight booking is recommended.

\$14,450

View our cancellation policy [here](#).

Interested in sending multiple people from your organization?

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As CEO, taking the time to sharpen the saw is critical. The Aspen Executive Seminar is the best whetstone out there.

— Reed Hastings
Founder and CEO of Netflix



The seminar was successful in expanding my stretch, more than I could have imagined. Truly, a life-changing milestone personally and professionally.

— Diana Henderson
Executive Vice President at TKXS LLC