



# Welcome LinkedIn Learning Instructors!

June 27th, 2023



# NDA

## The Legal Stuff

All materials presented here are subject to your instructor, LinkedIn, or Microsoft NDA unless indicated.

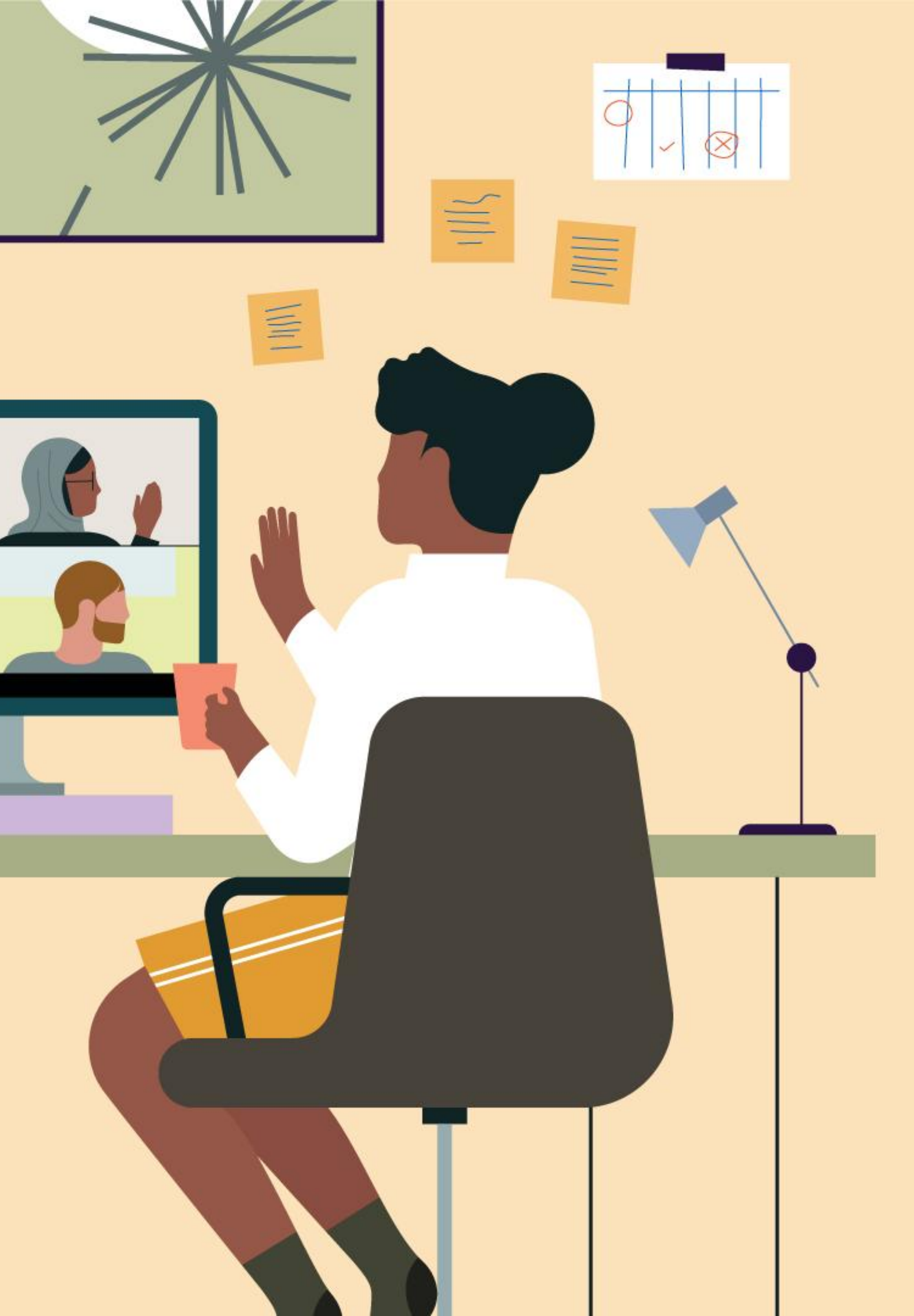




# Zoom Etiquette

- Please put yourself on mute when you aren't speaking
- Use "Raise Hand" so we know you would like to speak
- Use the chat during presentations for comments/questions





# Agenda

1. Welcome
2. General updates
3. How we create skill-centric courses
4. Ways we connect learners with courses
5. Instructor breakouts
6. Thank you!





# General updates

**Zoë Kelsey**

Instructor Marketing Manager



# Guest meeting host transition

July - September 2023



**Goldie Chan**

Brand Strategy, Speaker and Advisor  
at Award-Winning Warm Robots



**Roshanda E. Pratt**

Video Visibility Coach, Content Producer,  
Founder of REP Network



# LinkedIn Learning | Instructor Connect

Save your spot, today!



San Francisco



Virtual summit



New York City



October 26th



January 30th

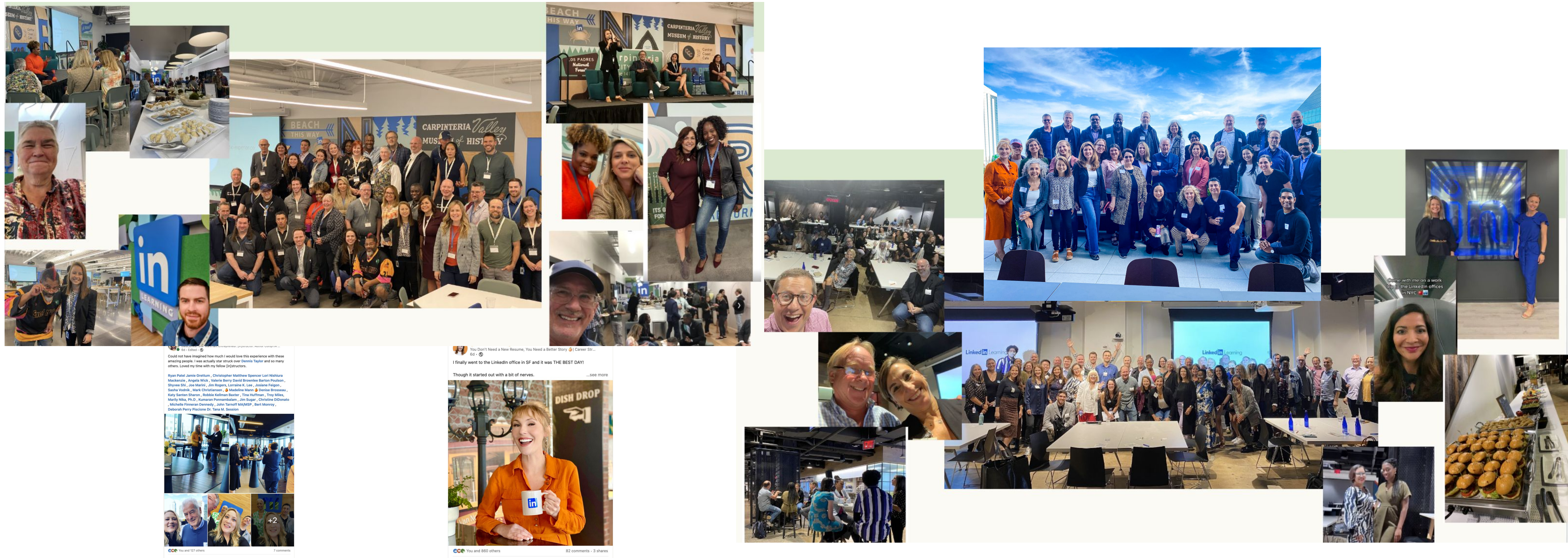


May 9th





# What Instructors are sharing ...



"I was absolutely delighted to hang out with so many LinkedIn Learning instructors and LinkedIn peeps. So fun learning from each other, strategizing ways to cross-promote our courses and spend time in community."

- **Stacey Gordon**



"I was moved by the mission to continue helping meet learners exactly where they are. There's a purposeful focus on getting learners the skills to get them into the positions and organizations of their dreams, and I left feeling inspired to see how I can help."

- **Justin Valley**



# Affiliate program sunset



● **Why has LinkedIn decided to sunset affiliate programs?** LinkedIn has made the decision to sunset affiliate programs across LinkedIn due to a broader business strategy shifts. We very much appreciate all of our instructors' hard work and partnership over the last couple of years!

● **What happens after the affiliate program is sunset on June 25th, 2023?** Clicks and actions will no longer be tracked in Impact (our affiliate system), and commissions will no longer be rewarded if users sign up for LinkedIn Learning. However, if links are still on your website, they will still direct users to LinkedIn's website through June 25th as we sunset the program. By July 31st, the links will become completely inactive and users will hit a 404 error page.

● **Do I need to update links everywhere I currently have affiliate links?** Yes, by July 30th, your affiliate links will become completely inactive and users will hit a 404 error page. Unfortunately, there is no way to redirect these links at this time or identify where you've shared these links. To help identify affiliate links you've shared on your website, please leverage webmaster tools if implemented on your site.

● **Is there any alternative Affiliate program for LinkedIn Learning?** There are currently no alternative affiliate programs for LinkedIn Learning moving forward.

**Questions?** Please reach out to the LinkedIn affiliate team at [linkedinaffiliates@dentsu.com](mailto:linkedinaffiliates@dentsu.com)

# Current + upcoming moments



## LinkedIn Learning for Teams

- We're excited to share LinkedIn Learning is now available for small teams everywhere looking to purchase 20 licenses or less! This product empowers leaders & managers to take employee upskilling into their own hands. Learn more [here](#).



## June Pride Month

- We are amplifying LGBTQ+ voices to spark conversations and a sense of belonging.



## LinkedIn's July shutdown

- The week of **July 3rd**, your LinkedIn team will be closing our laptops for a week to enjoy some R&R!





# How we create skill-centric courses.

**Kate Gagnon**

Content Manager, LinkedIn Learning

Customer Service, Marketing, and Sales

[linkedin.com/in/kategagnon/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/kategagnon/)

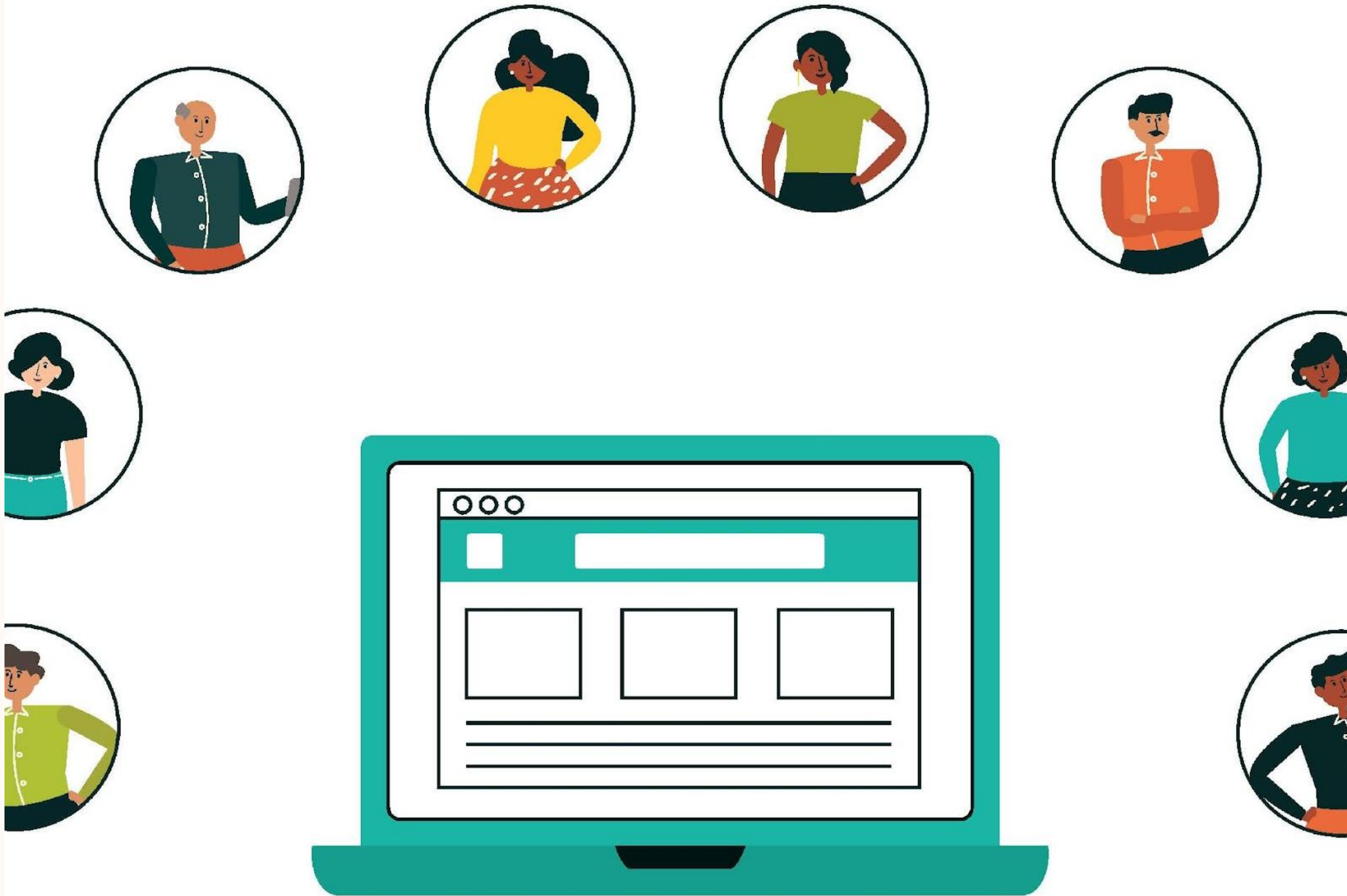
Our content engine.





# Skills-based hiring is a massive shift.

Expanding opportunities, diversifying talent pools, and democratizing access to jobs.





# Powered by skills data

LinkedIn's Economic Graph drives how we curate, create, and recommend content.





Curation is our  
superpower.

There's an art and  
science to our content  
strategy.





# Some questions content managers may consider.

- What skills does **x professional** need now - and in the future - to *get, keep, and advance in* their job?
- Which skills within **x profession** will likely have the biggest impact for the learner?
- How is our skill coverage within **x topic** at the varying learner levels?
- Where are the gaps within **x topic**, based on various signals?
- Given current learner needs, are there skills we may be over-indexed in?
- What new instructor expertise does **x topic** need?





# Data-Driven Content Strategy

Course engagement & feedback

Insights from instructors

Industry reports, articles

Software releases

Enterprise customers / content maps

Certification and continuing ed

Search data

Community conversations

Competitor insights

Voice of customer, learner

LinkedIn and Microsoft partners

Viewership patterns

Skills trend data

Cross-library collaboration



# Typical case: B2B Marketing and Sales

## SELECT INPUTS.

- Industry reports (eg McKinsey)
- Job posting data (spike in B2B marketing jobs)
- Library gaps (few courses on B2B Marketing; only 1 course on B2B Sales)
- Enterprise customers (feedback on content mapping / skill competencies)
- Internal Partners ([B2B Institute](#) @ LinkedIn)

## SELECT OUTPUTS.

- Build / revise courses
- Launch new learning paths
- Sign expert instructors





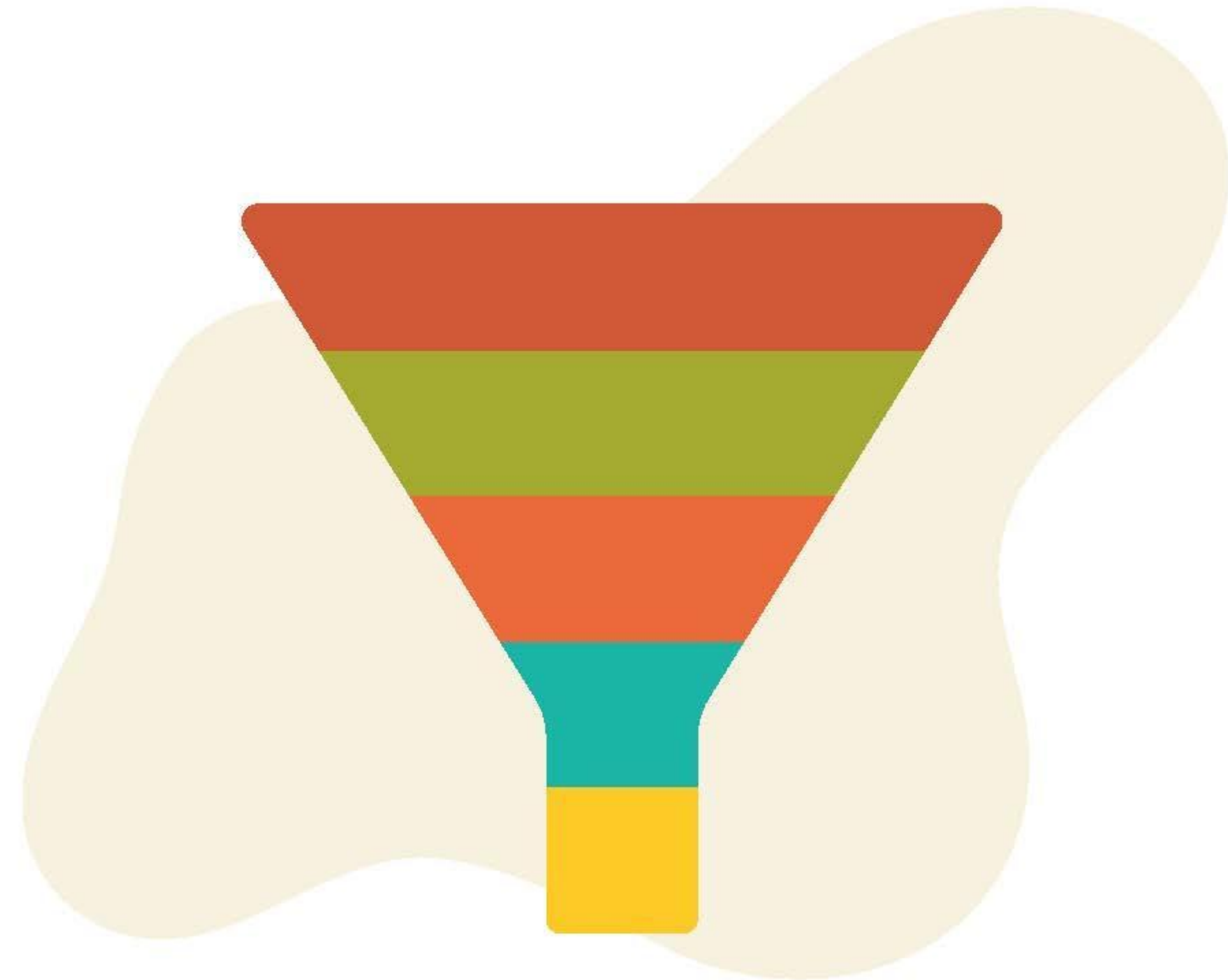
# Atypical case: Artificial Intelligence (AI)

## **SELECT INPUTS.**

- Industry forecast
- Course engagement lift
- Search signals
- Skills trends

## **SELECT OUTPUTS.**

- Build out course catalog
- Launch new learning paths
- Map new skills





H	I
<b><u>Learning Goal = Learning Objective + Why (Click for link)</u></b>	<b>Editing Notes</b>
<i>Ex. After watching this video, you will be able to discuss the benefits of customer service. When people know how delivering great customer service benefits them, they will feel more motivated to put it into practice.</i>	<i>Add notes useful for the editor. Examples: CUT from ###:### to ###:###. URL Overlay: http:// END the video at ###:###. ADD Pickup at ###:###, replace to end. ADD Pickup to the end.</i>

## Skills-Focused Learning Goals

After watching this video, you will be able to...[measurable verb].  
  
+ WHY sentence.



# Sample - Skill tags on course page

## Course details

29m · Beginner · Released: 6/2/2023


4.7 ★★★★★ (136)

Artificial intelligence has seemingly boundless applications, and like many other industries, digital marketing is being remade by AI. In this course, Martin Waxman shows you how to sort through the hype, develop strategies, and find the right generative AI tools that help you achieve your business goals. Martin starts by explaining the difference between narrow and general artificial intelligence and what each does. He then discusses how generative AI writing, design, and productivity tools will alter your digital marketing and creative workflows. He shows you how to develop and implement a process to test and evaluate generative AI tools and select the ones that work best for your team and your business. You'll also learn how to effectively incorporate generative AI tools into a digital marketing workflow. Finally, discover key issues digital marketers face when using AI tools and develop a strategy to successfully manage them.

## Skills covered


- Generative AI
- Digital Marketing

Results for "Generative AI" Sort by: ▾

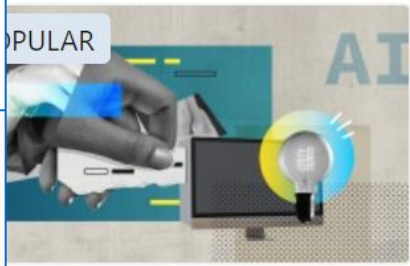


VIDEO

**Generative AI**


 LinkedIn · Updated 3 weeks ago · From the course: Tech Trends


13,902 learners · Skill: Technology Trends




COURSE

**Introduction to Prompt Engineering for Generative AI**


 LinkedIn · By: Ronnie Sheer · 3 months ago

4.7 ★★★★★ (1,941) ·  Dave Birss and 1 other connection like this · 53,348 learners · Beginner

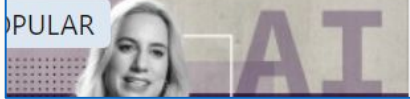


LINK

**Introduction to Generative AI**

 LinkedIn · [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G2fqAlgmoPo&ab\\_cha...](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G2fqAlgmoPo&ab_cha...) · Updated 1 month ago

Skills: Large Language Models (LLM), Generative AI



COURSE

**What Is Generative AI?**



# Suggested Resources

- [Skills-First Report](#) : a first ever research report released in 2023 by LinkedIn's Economic Graph Team.
- [State of the Labor Market](#) : Economic Graph Team's monthly newsletter.
- [Career Pathways](#): Research from the Economic Graph Team.
- [Workplace Learning Report](#): annual LinkedIn report primarily for Learning and Development professionals.
- [The Insider](#) : newsletter by LinkedIn News Team.
- [The Future in Tech](#) : LinkedIn Technology Team's newsletter, Live events.
- [Skills for the future of work](#) : event w/[Jessica Chen](#) (CEO, Soulcast Media; LiL instructor) + [Dan Brodnitz](#) (Sr Director of Global Content Strategy, LiL).
- [LinkedIn Learning Evolves](#) : Interesting article by Josh Bersin.
- [Karin Kimbrough](#): LinkedIn's Chief Economist.
- [Daniel Roth](#): LinkedIn's Editor in Chief.



# Ways we connect learners with courses they seek

**Jesse Miranda**

Taxonomy and Metadata Program  
Manager at LinkedIn



# Skills-based learning taxonomy

LinkedIn skills map to the topics in our learning taxonomy, which drives browse on LinkedIn Learning.

Using this taxonomy, content can be curated, mapped, and reported on at levels from granular to broad.

English taxon includes:

- 3 Libraries
- 40 Subjects
- 376 Topics
- ~3k Active Skills

Library

Creative

Business

Tech

L1

Subject

User Experience

DEI

DevOps

L2

Topic

UX Design

Inclusive Leadership

Agile Software Development

L3

Skills

Sales Process Development, Sales Coaching, High Performance Sales Teams, Sales Enablement

Inclusive Team Leadership, Diversity & Inclusion, Inclusive Team Building, Multicultural Management

Behavior-Driven Development (BDD), Scaled Agile Framework, Jira, DSDM, Pair Programming

L4

# Skills and LinkedIn Learning content

LiL_Topic	Focus	Skills
Sustainable Design	LEED building (green building, architecture, landscaping, urban planning, fashion and product design, and manufacturing) Environmental engineering, Environmental Processes and best practices, software and tooling usage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* Building Energy Analysis</li><li>* Environmental Engineering</li><li>* Environmental Sustainability</li><li>* Green Building</li><li>* Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)</li><li>* LEED Projects</li><li>* Smart Cities</li><li>* Sustainable Architecture</li><li>* Sustainable Design</li><li>* Sustainable Development</li><li>* Sustainable Landscapes</li><li>* Sustainable Product Design</li><li>* Urban Planning</li></ul>
Sustainable Business Strategy	Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG), Corporate Digital Responsibility, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), Corporate Sustainability, Environmental Economics, Green Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* Carbon Accounting</li><li>* Corporate Social Responsibility</li><li>* Corporate Sustainability</li><li>* Environmental Economics</li><li>* Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG)</li><li>* Green Economy</li><li>* Green Jobs</li><li>* Sustainability Strategy</li><li>* Sustainable Business</li><li>* Sustainable Business Strategies</li><li>* Sustainable Supply Chain Management</li></ul>

At LinkedIn Learning, our goal is to help connect members with the learning content that will help them develop the skills they need to succeed.

At the core of making that connection is our dedicated program to tag content with LinkedIn skills.



# Why those skill tags and why not more?

Our Content Discovery team manually tags all learning content with skills based on strict guidelines for accuracy and global consistency



Keyword stuffing **is not** effective here

The skill tags are a signal in search but they're not the main signal

Our team makes sure we're finding the right **unambiguous** skill tags

We want to tag content using the most **specific skill that it teaches** because learners can then add those skills to their profile

Avoid tagging with parent tags because it generates noise with insights



# Future of skill tagging

In the near future we are exploring a process to solicit input from instructors on skill tags.

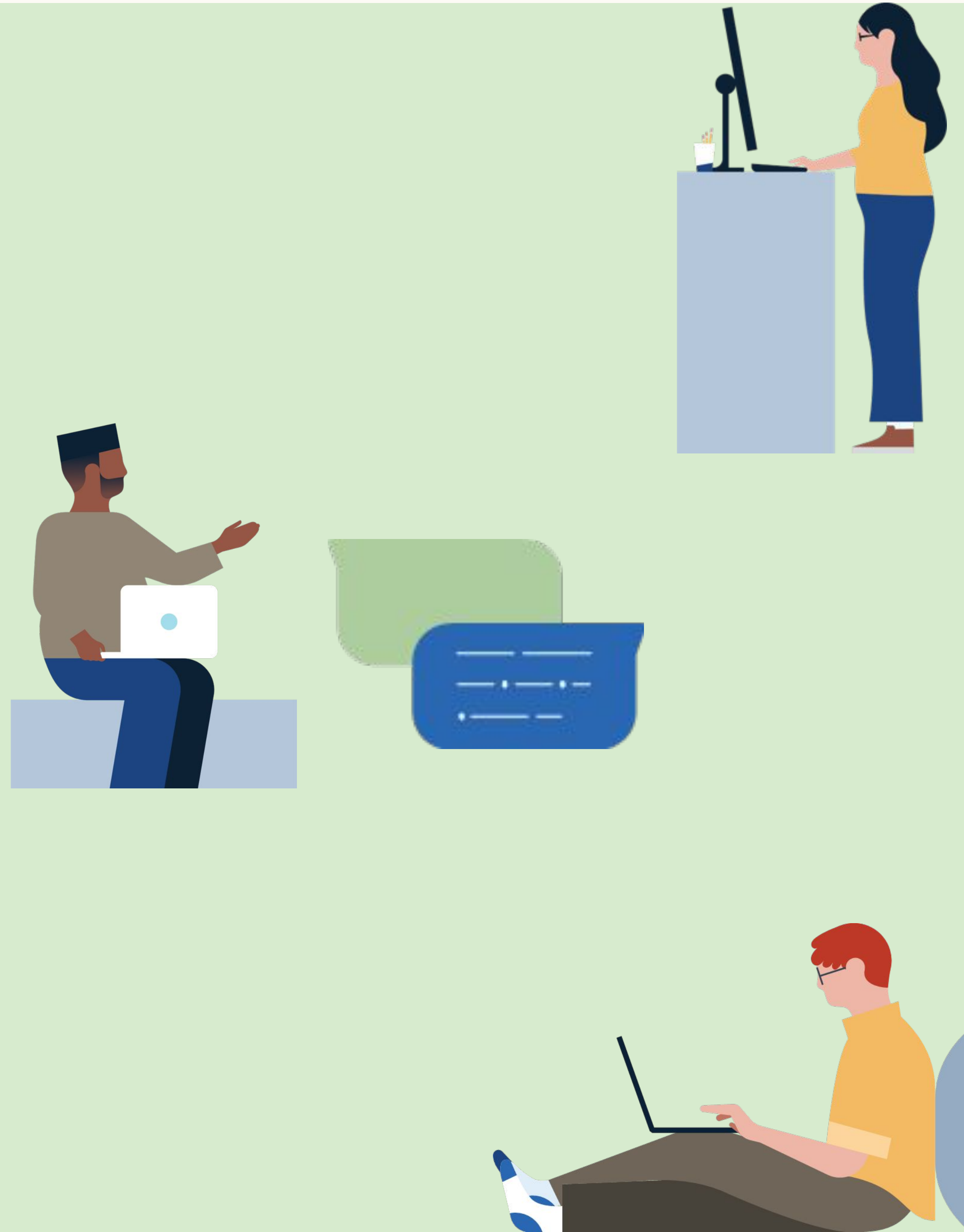
We continually audit and update skill tagging in response to customer feedback and request new hard and soft skills based on market trends.





A graphic featuring a light gray circle on a white background. To the left of the circle is a vertical orange bar. The text "Q&A" is written in a brown, cursive font inside the circle.

Q&A



# Break outs

## **Intros:**

Introduce yourself, where you're from, and your expertise.

## **Prompts:**

How do learners share the value of your courses?

What is your main means of sharing your course(s) with the world?



# Stay connected



## 1. Instructor newsletter - monthly

Learn what we're up to, what we're hearing from all of you, and more. [View archives](#)



## 2. Instructor all-hands on July 25th, 2023

Join us for the monthly all-hands where we'll have Q&A with the LinkedIn Learning leaderships team, plus special breakouts. [RSVP today](#)



## 3. Instructor hub offers tips + resources

Looking for tips? Learn how to market your course, create a newsletter, go live on LinkedIn, and so much more! [Visit the hub](#)



## 4. Instructor group

Connect with your peers and ask questions. [Join today!](#)

Questions? Reach us at [LiLinstructors@linkedin.com](mailto:LiLinstructors@linkedin.com)

# Thank you!

Please take our survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/june23-instructor-allhands>

