

Next Step Academy's Life Skills Achievement Program

(www.bpa.org/membership/lifeskills)

To encourage continual Leadership Development training throughout the membership year, Business Professionals of America, in partnership with Next Step Academy, is pleased to offer online services and resources to members through the Life Skills Achievement Program. An exclusive series of online courses available to students, advisors and alumni, the Life Skills Achievement Program will help enhance skills, knowledge and preparation for both educational and professional advancement.

The Life Skills Achievement Program is designed to introduce members to important components identified by the U.S. Department of Labor and 21st Century Skills as necessary for success in the workplace. Each course is quick, easy and designed to be used across a variety of devices—including smartphones, tablets, laptops and more—allowing users to take their learning on the go. With an ever-growing suite of course offerings, Next Step Academy is helping members take their next steps at every stage of life.

Exclusive to BPA Members: Members have the opportunity to complete any or all of the introductory life skills webinars from those listed below. With successful completion of a minimum of six (6) courses, members can earn a Digital Certification Badge which can be displayed in their digital portfolio and on various social media platforms and applications.

Each course is:

- Short (less than 30 minutes to complete) Mobile (desktop/laptop, phone or tablet).
- Full of information (expert advice, quality content, videos, and a quiz).
- Upon completion, learners will receive an electronic badge specifically designed for Business Professionals of America members to tout their accomplishment.
- This badge can be placed on resumes, shared on social media, sent to employers/potential employers, and more.
- Use **Code BPA1617** when registering for courses unless otherwise noted.



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- [Time Management](#)
- [Communication Skills](#)
- [Leadership](#)
- [You NEED Next Step Academy](#)
- [Business Writing](#)
- [Distracted Driving](#)
- [Interviewing Skills](#)
- [Personal Productivity & Professional Accountability](#)
- [Social Media Etiquette](#)
- [Basic Grammar/Writing Toolkit](#)

Requirements beginning in 2016-2017

The following Alaska BPA members are required to earn their Digital Certification Badge **prior to the state conference:**

Current State Officers

Current CTHS Local Officers

State Officer Candidates

CTHS Local Officer Candidates

In other words, a minimum of six of the above 10 courses must be completed.

To get started:

- Go to Next Step Academy's website (www.nextstepacademy.com)
- Select "Register"
- Use this promo code: BPA1617
- Complete the registration process
- Select the courses you want to take and begin YOUR Next Step!