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The New Business of Consulting Entrepreneur Press

Learn how to start your own business consulting firm and the most effective strategies for business consultants to start from scratch. In this guide, I'm going to show you how to start a consulting business and land your first high-ticket client and things to consider before becoming a consultant.

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Turn Your Knowledge and Experience Into Big Bucks! Whether you're a computer whiz, a business expert, or a fundraising dynamo, your special skills are in high demand. Let the experts at Entrepreneur show you how to capitalize on your talents and help others achieve their business goals! No matter what your area of expertise, this hands-on guide will tell you everything you need to know to start your own successful consulting business. Discover how to get your business off the ground, position yourself as an expert, attract clients, operate day to day, and build revenue. Plus, gain powerful insight from interviews with practicing consultants, answers to frequently asked questions and an invaluable list of the top 20 consulting businesses! Learn how to: Set up your business with minimal startup investment Define your market Build a business brand that gets noticed Capture clients by showing them you're worth their money Price your service Advertise and publicize to attract more clients Hire a support staff And more You already have the knowledge—this guide shows you how to share it with others and make a profit!

How to Build a Successful Consulting Practice AMACOM Div American Mgmt Assn

Get Paid for Your Experience and Leave the 9-5 World Behind Whether you are considering striking out on your own to take control of your job security, or just want a supplemental source of income to your day job, becoming a consultant could be a lucrative move for you. Whether you're a computer whiz, an editorial maven or a fundraising dynamo, your special knack could be in demand as a consultant. This book will show you everything you need to know to turn your skills into a profitable business. Interviews with successful consulting business owners demonstrate how others have taken the reins of their careers into their own hands, and are making good money going it. With Entrepreneur Magazine's Start-Ups: Consulting Business also contains answers to frequently asked, an appendix of additional resources, and a valuable list of the top 20 consulting businesses thriving today.

Leave Your Mark Simon and Schuster

From the creator of the popular website Ask a Manager and New York's work-advice columnist comes a witty, practical guide to 200 difficult professional conversations—featuring all-new advice! There's a reason Alison Green has been called "the Dear Abby of

the work world." Ten years as a workplace-advice columnist have taught her that people avoid awkward conversations in the office because they simply don't know what to say. Thankfully, Green does—and in this incredibly helpful book, she tackles the tough discussions you may need to have during your career. You'll learn what to say when • coworkers push their work on you—then take credit for it • you accidentally trash-talk someone in an email then hit "reply all" • you're being micromanaged—or not being managed at all • you catch a colleague in a lie • your boss seems unhappy with your work • your cubemate's loud speakerphone is making you homicidal • you got drunk at the holiday party Praise for Ask a Manager "A must-read for anyone who works . . . [Alison Green's] advice boils down to the idea that you should be professional (even when others are not) and that communicating in a straightforward manner with candor and kindness will get you far, no matter where you work."—Booklist (starred review) "The author's friendly, warm, no-nonsense writing is a pleasure to read, and her advice can be widely applied to relationships in all areas of readers' lives. Ideal for anyone new to the job market or new to management, or anyone hoping to improve their work experience."—Library Journal (starred review) "I am a huge fan of Alison Green's Ask a Manager column. This book is even better. It teaches us how to deal with many of the most vexing big and little problems in our workplaces—and to do so with grace, confidence, and a sense of humor."—Robert Sutton, Stanford professor and author of The No Asshole Rule and The Asshole Survival Guide "Ask a Manager is the ultimate playbook for navigating the traditional workforce in a diplomatic but firm way."—Erin Lowry, author of Broke Millennial: Stop Scraping By and Get Your Financial Life Together Owning It Penguin

The new edition of bestselling real-world guide to consultancy success, from the "Rock Star of Consulting" Alan Weiss The second edition of The Consulting Bible: Everything You Need to Know to Create and Expand a Seven-Figure Consulting Practice remains the most comprehensive and practical guide to the consulting profession, from launch to high growth, from marketing to implementation. Legendary consultant, speaker, and bestselling author Alan Weiss shows you how to create an independent or boutique consulting practice and take it to seven-figure success. Step-by-step, this invaluable resource guides you through attracting clients, maximizing your value, and achieving your career goals. In the decade since the first publication of The Consulting Bible, an array of significant developments has dramatically impacted the consulting profession: shifts in social consciousness, the Covid-19 pandemic, tele-consulting and virtual meetings, the globalization of the economy, the growth of social media, and many more. This exhaustively revised new edition provides specific approaches and techniques for mastering the new consulting environment and turning volatility and disruption into unlimited opportunities. Designed to help you

become the authority and expert that organizations turn to again and again, this book is your one-stop resource for: Building a strong global brand that draws people to you Marketing remotely to reduce costs and allow for higher fees Mastering the latest implementation techniques Forging strong relationships with the buyers of a new generation Selecting the consulting methodology that best fits your requirements Writing proposals and creating testimonials and references Using advanced technology to sell and deliver your services Written for newcomers and veterans alike, *The Consulting Bible: Everything You Need to Know to Create and Expand a Seven-Figure Consulting Practice*, Second Edition, is essential reading for every solo consultant, entrepreneur, and principal of a small consulting firm.

Opportunities for pr Createspace Independent Publishing Platform Discover the principles, practices, and insider secrets of paid professional speaking success in 77 instant-access "microchapters" that will help you market your smarts, monetize your message, and dramatically expand your reach and revenue. For thought-leading CEOs, executives, consultants, and entrepreneurs, the true test of your personal brand comes down to one simple question: When you speak, do people listen? In *Do It! Speaking*, nationally-acclaimed marketing expert and host of the *The Speaking Show Podcast* David Newman teaches you how to build a thriving speaking career. Regardless of the speaking venue: in-person events, virtual appearances, conference stages, and any other place where you are being paid to share your expertise with an audience, the powerful articulation of your value, relevance, and impact is what makes experts stand out. But where do you start when you're trying to build your speaking platform? This book is the definitive guide on how to: Develop your speaking-driven revenue streams. Quickly commercialize your knowledge in today's economy. Bolster your visibility, credibility, and bank account. Become a better messenger of your company's message and dominate your marketplace. *Do It! Speaking* shows you the inside track on marketing, positioning, packaging, prospecting, outreach, sales, and how to get more and better speaking gigs on behalf of your company, your brand, and yourself.

Start Your Own Consulting Business Entrepreneur Press Join the thousands of professionals who have already gotten inside the Technical Consulting Business -- and discover how to channel your technical know-how into an exciting career as an independent consultant. This Third Edition of Harvey Kaye's bestselling guide gives you the focused, no-nonsense help you need to start and run your own consulting practice in today's ultracompetitive environment. What's inside: Setting up your consulting business. The lowdown on finances, record-keeping, office space, taxes, and choosing the form of business organization that's right for you. Insider's guide to proposals and contracts. Gives plenty of examples to use in your own consulting practice. Marketing secrets your boss never told you. Tips on creating demand for your services and keeping your clients coming back for repeat business. PLUS ALL-NEW MATERIAL ON: * Creating your personal strategic marketing plan. A step-by-step guide to developing and maintaining your competitive edge. * Learn from the pros. "Meet the Pros" interviews show how successful consultants handled some of the very problems you're likely to encounter. * Building successful client relationships. The inside scoop on keeping clients happy while protecting your own professional interests. * The technical challenges of consulting. A consultant's primer on problem-solving, coping with the information explosion, and organizing for maximum productivity.

The Consultant's Kit Consulting Success Leading entrepreneurs into the multi-billion dollar consulting

industry, the experts at Entrepreneur show you how to capitalize on your talents to help others achieve their business goals. Coached by experts, learn to define your market, find and keep clients, obtain licenses, set rates, monitor cash flow, hire staff, prepare contracts, agreements, and reports, and more. Includes new interviews with successful consultants, updated answers to frequently asked questions, and a completely refreshed list of the top 20 consulting businesses.

Forecasting: principles and practice Entrepreneur Press
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The New Consultant's Quick Start Guide John Wiley & Sons Starting a Consulting Practice May be Your Best Career Move ...and this book may be your best first step If you have struggled with questions like these: How do I create a meaningful career? How do I make more money? How do I take control of my career and do more of the work I love? Is it possible to have both a career and a life? Then this book is for you In *Owning It*, Kris Taylor shares candid insights on how she leveraged her professional expertise into a consulting business that has provided her with a six figure income for over 15 years. As the founder of Evergreen Leadership and now LEAP, LLC, Kris has built two consulting practices that enables her to do meaningful work, an income potential that exceeds what she ever expected and the freedom and flexibility to live life on her own terms. Warning: If you are happy with your career, your earning power and your ability to integrate your work with the rest of your life, this is not the book for you. This is also not a book about selling in a multi-level marketing scheme. *Owning It* is for professionals who want to launch their own professional consulting business and who want to learn from someone who has had a successful small consulting business working with companies, big and small, across the globe. In this book you'll learn why over 50% of the professionals in the workplace will be working independently in by 2028 and why those who are currently independent say they would not go back to full time employment at any salary Pick up this book to learn about the workplace trends that make starting your own consulting firm a great choice for so many high performing professionals. You'll be able to assess your readiness for making the leap to independence and identify any problem areas that you'll need to overcome. And the best part is that Kris shares practical tips that took years to her to learn. In this book you'll discover: 10 trends affecting white collar workers that threaten traditional employment Six personal and practical reasons professionals choose independence Making room in the middle: the sweet spot between the big 4 consulting groups and temporary workers Four ways to start your own small consulting business Five must have skills for independents Seven warning signs that independence might not be for you Ten things to know before you go independent Compelling reasons companies work with independent professionals Overcoming your own resistance and fears when doing something big How to get started as an independent professional consultant As a special bonus, when you purchase *Owning It*, you'll have access to download these free valuable tools to help you get off to a good start: The Biz 101 Checklist which gives you the 10 steps to successfully launch a small consulting business A recorded webinar: 10 Steps to Starting Your Own Consulting Business A recorded webinar: Your Income Potential as an Independent Consultant

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terms, then you've come to the right place - you are about to discover how you can turn your expertise into a successful money-making model in just 7 easy steps! The global consulting industry is currently valued at nearly \$132 billion, with revenues growing like clockwork in the last decade? and there's no better time than now to dip your hands in this ocean of opportunities. What's more encouraging is that the consulting industry is in dire need of more opportunists, and there's plenty of room for you to hop on the bandwagon. Excited already? Well, we've just begun! Peppered with intriguing facts about the consulting industry and armed with practical strategies to succeed in the business, this guidebook will help you lay your path to success. Inside, you'll discover: 7 powerful strategies for setting up a lasting consulting business from scratch Powerful tips on achieving a winning mindset - uncover why only 1% of people succeed while others keep struggling for success A mini-guide on charting your course to success - assess and execute a bullet-proof business plan for achieving financial stability Full coverage on money-making tips in the consulting business - recommended by experts Key highlights of the formalities you should consider when setting up your consulting business to avoid legal pitfalls How to win your first clients - and how to build loyal relationships that last a lifetime How to start your own consultancy when you are low on finances (you can have your business up and running for less than \$10,000!) And so much more! The consulting business has helped millions reach their goals, and you too can use it as the springboard for success!

The Profitable Consultant Pfeiffer

Consultants work in all fields. They operate from offices and from home, work for investment firms and as personal trainers, or have expertise as accountants and wedding planners. The independence, flexibility, and potential income it brings make for an exciting and satisfying career. And it's an increasingly popular one for highly skilled, motivated professionals who've been laid off in this unstable economy. This guide features tips and tricks to help beat the competition, including how to: Set—and keep—personal and financial goals Organize important paperwork Price and market specific services Create advertising and publicity plans Grow a business, from finding a partner to managing employees Minimize and eliminate business risks Consultants are paid well for their advice—if they know how to operate a successful business. With advice from experts in a variety of areas, this valuable guide helps you create the business of your dreams!

Building A Successful Consulting Practice (In Action Case Study Series) McGraw Hill Professional

The Long-Awaited Update for Building a Thriving Consultancy Completely updated for today's busier-than-ever consultants, this classic guide covers the ins and outs for competing and winning in this ultracompetitive field. You'll find step-by-step advice on how to raise capital, attract clients, create a marketing plan, and grow your business into a \$1 million-per-year firm, plus brand-new material on: Blogging and social networking Global consulting Delegating labor Profiting in a troubled market Retainer business Internet marketing Praise for the previous editions of *Million Dollar Consulting*: "If you're interested in becoming a rich consultant, this book is a must read." Robert F. Mager, founder and president, Mager Associates, and member of the Training & Development Hall of Fame "Blast out of the per diem trap and into value billing." Jim Kennedy, founder, publisher, and editor, *Consultants News* "The advice on developing price structure alone is worth a hundred times the price of the book." William C. Byham, Ph.D., author of *Zapp!* "Must reading for those who are beginning a practice or seeking to upgrade an existing practice." Victor H. Vroom, John G. Searle Professor, School of

Management, Yale University

Start Your Own Consulting Business Grand Central Publishing

An action plan for working as a consultant Management consulting is a \$250 billion industry and growing at a rate of over four percent annually. Many predict that more than 40 percent of the U.S. workforce will soon be contingent, freelance, or consulting members of the workforce—making this book more relevant than ever. Individuals become independent consultants out of necessity or preference: necessity because they lost their job or the company offered an attractive exit package; preference because they want a career change, more control over their time, or an enriched, varied work situation. Consulting also appeals to the Millennial workforce who are searching for careers that offer a good salary as well as meaningful work. The New Consultant's Quick Start Guide: • Serves as a companion to *The New Business of Consulting* • Provides you with a place to plan your transition into consulting • Helps you identify your niche, develop a business plan, charge what you're worth, and create a marketing strategy to ensure a steady stream of clients • Prepares you for changes you will encounter beyond your professional life, including social, family, and financial aspects The New Consultant's Quick Start Guide helps you work through the challenges of consulting such as working alone, deciding on necessary insurance coverage, finding your first clients, struggling with cash flow, and understanding market trends.

Ten Years to Midnight Entrepreneur Press

Presents a framework for starting and building new businesses based on the authors' insight that "most startups fail because they didn't develop their market". Based on Steve Blank's 2005 book 'The four steps to the Epiphany', this non-fiction novella aims to help readers to develop customer development.

Ask a Manager John Wiley & Sons

Professional service firms differ from other business enterprises in two distinct ways: first they provide highly customised services thus cannot apply many of the management principles developed for product-based industries. Second, professional services are highly personalised, involving the skills of individuals. Such firms must therefore compete not only for clients but also for talented professionals. Drawing on more than ten years of research and consulting to these unique and creative companies, David Maister explores issues ranging from marketing and business development to multinational strategies, human resources policies to profit improvement, strategic planning to effective leadership. While these issues can be complex, Maister simplifies them by recognising that 'every professional service firm in the world, regardless of size, specific profession, or country of operation, has the same mission statement: outstanding service to clients, satisfying careers for its people and financial success for its owners.'

Start Your Own Consulting Business SAGE

Whether you're a beginner just starting up a consulting practice, or a veteran looking for ways to invigorate your existing business, *An Insider's Guide to Building a Successful Consulting Practice* is an invaluable resource. Featuring real stories from consultants in diverse industries, the book offers simple yet powerful ways to: Identify a market and narrow your focus • Make a smooth transition from employee to independent consultant • Sell effectively even if you've never sold before • Establish visibility through speaking, writing, and networking • Build credibility by leveraging the credibility of others • Set prices based on value • Develop a marketing strategy and divide your time between marketing and delivering your services • Keep plenty of work in your pipeline • Adapt and thrive in any market condition • And much more Complete with the results of an original survey of 200 successful independent consultants, this handy guide provides

the kind of real-life advice you need to build a thriving business.

Inside the Technical Consulting Business Berrett-Koehler Publishers

How to Build a Pharmacy Consulting Business: Your Rx for Finding Freedom and Loving Your Career Not only will you get all the content within this Kindle eBook, but you will also get access to the Pharmapreneur Community Newsletter by visiting BTParmacyConsulting.com and entering your email address! **Attention Pharmacists:** Have you ever wondered what opportunities exist for pharmacy consultants? Are you feeling burned out by your pharmacy career? If so, is it the long hours, inflexibility, workplace stress or not being able to use your clinical knowledge that bothers you most? One way to explore pharmacy consulting and stretch your clinical muscles is by conducting Medication Therapy Management (MTM) services in your current position. In this book, I take it one step further and teach you how to offer pharmacist-led clinical services in various practice settings. Are you ready for a career change? One key to achieving your Dream Career is through entrepreneurship. Owning your own consulting business can help you regain your passion for pharmacy and find freedom at the same time. Learn how to build, structure and grow your business in the first ever step-by-step guide based on the Pharmapreneur Academy's successful flagship course. I will take you step-by-step through the process using examples to show you the many opportunities that exist for pharmacy consultants. This book contains the information I wish I had known when first starting my business. Now, I want to share all the tips and tricks that I have learned with you to decrease your learning curve and kickstart your new business. Join me as I blow your mind with the many opportunities for pharmacy consultants! **What Is Included In This Book:** Benefits of Being an Entrepreneur Downsides of Being an Entrepreneur Skills of the Entrepreneur Skills of the Business Owner Main Types of Consulting Services Options for Reimbursement Identifying Your Target Market Marketing 101: Value Over Cost Developing Your Educational (Marketing) Materials Contacting Your Leads Contracting with Major MTM Platforms Social Media Networking And more! It is truly amazing what arming someone with the right information can do. Within just days of reading this book, pharmacists from around the country began emailing me thanking me for putting this information into one succinct guide. What are you waiting for? Scroll up and click the "buy" button to get started building your Dream Career.

Start Your Own Consulting Business, Third Edition Étienne Garbugli

ABOUT THE BOOK Starting a consulting business is one of the best ways to leverage your expertise into a profitable career. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, consulting is predicted to be the industry with the largest growth from 2008 to 2018. Depending on your skills and experience, starting a consulting business can be done quickly and affordably. In his book, *Getting Started as A Consultant*, Alan Weiss, Ph.D. defines consulting as the application of talents, expertise, experiences and other relevant attributes, which results in an improvement in the clients condition, (p. 1). In essence, a consultant uses his knowledge to identify problems, recommend solutions, and assist

in making change. **MEET THE AUTHOR** Leslie Truex is a freelance writer and author on the subjects of small business, telecommuting and marketing. Her books include *The Work-At-Home Success Bible* (Adams Media, 2009) and *Jobs Online: How to Find and Get a Work-At-Home Job*. She's the owner of the 14 year old WorkAtHomeSuccess.com, which has been recognized by telework and small business associations as a quality resource for work-at-home information. She has appeared on *The Daily Buzz*, *CNN.com*, *Women's World Magazine*, *Redbook*, and in a host of other media outlets. **EXCERPT FROM THE BOOK** You have a business license, a contract and an office, but without clients, you dont have a business. Once youve done the busy work to establish your business, your most important task is marketing. Even when you have clients, marketing is crucial to ensuring you always have enough work to stay in business. The first rule of marketing is realize that its not about you. That might sound like a contradiction since marketing is about enticing clients to hire you. But clients dont buy you for how great you are or how many letters appear after your name. They buy the results you can give them. **CHAPTER OUTLINE** Start Your Own Consulting Business + Introduction to Starting a Consulting Business + How to get started + Business Structure + Marketing + ...and much more **Start Your Own Consulting Business** McGraw Hill Professional Written for business leaders and consultants who are trying to solve significant problems and create measurable value. Readers can view the templates used in consulting studies and how they are used. All the foundational strategy and business analyses tools are taught along with the soft skills and practical tools to solve any business problem. This is the only book of its kind walking the reader step-by-step through a complete consulting study. This book follows an engagement team as they assist a large company in diagnosing and fixing deep and persistent organizational issues over an 8-week assignment. Readers will learn how they successfully navigate a challenging client environment, frame the problem and limit the scope, develop hypotheses, build the analyses and provide the final recommendations. We have placed the explanation of management consulting techniques within a lively and engaging storyline, which allows the reader to truly understand the challenges faced on consulting engagements, connect with the characters, and understand both how and why they debated elements of the study. It is written so that the reader may follow, understand, and replicate a strategic engagement using the same techniques used by the leading firms, such as McKinsey, Bain, and BCG. To make the story realistic and useful, we have worked with one client engagement throughout the book. Using different examples and different clients to explain concepts would have made it difficult for readers to see the data linkages and development of the final recommendations. The client and engagement are fictitious. The data presented are also fictitious, but they are based on actual consulting engagements and the experiences of the author and the contributing McKinsey, BCG, et. al. partners at FIRMSconsulting.com & StrategyTraining.com. **RESERVE YOUR SPOT FOR FREE EPISODES FROM EX-MCK ET AL. PARTNERS AT FIRMSCONSULTING . COM/PROMOFREE EPISODE FROM THIS BOOKS COMPANION COURSE AT FIRMSCONSULTING . COM/SAAMC**