Level Up!

PRODUCT ACADEMY MENTORING
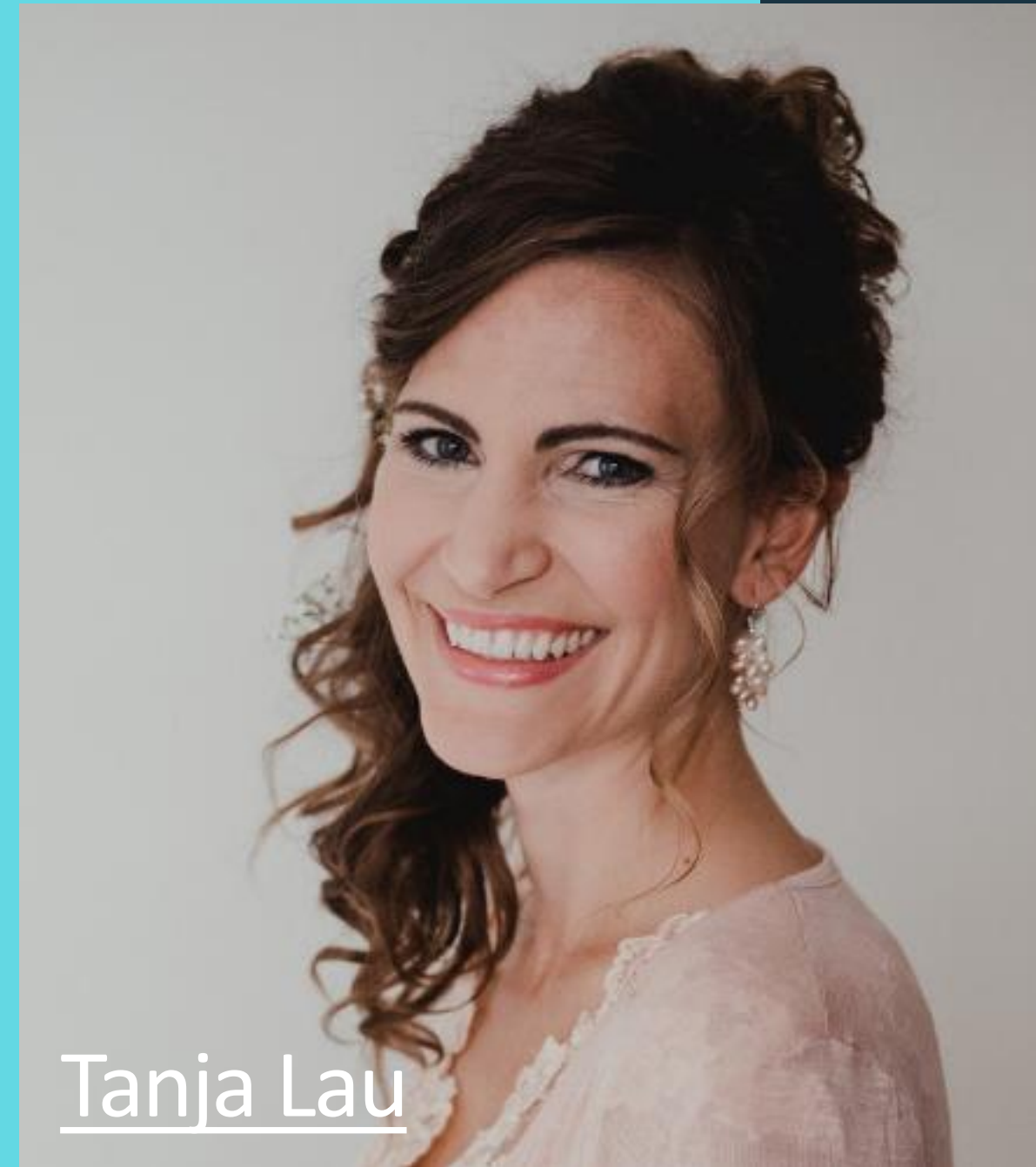
Boost your career in product

Interested in ramping up your career in product? Looking for a strong network of product leaders to support you - even long after your course is done? Perfect! You've come to the right place. Our mentoring program is a unique opportunity to speed up your learning curve in product in a family-like environment.

Our trainers and mentors practice the art of product management at household names like Google, Zalando, Airbnb, Amazon & more.

Tanja Lau

Founder of Product Academy

LevelUp! Switzerland

Spring Edition 2024 in a nutshell

Apply by October 31, 2023!

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Why?

Ramp up your skills in state-of-the-art product management and increase your chances to land your first job in product or to transition to a senior role with the Product Academy Course Certificate.

For whom?

(Junior) POs/PMs with up to three years of experience or people interested in transitioning to product from a related role like UX, tech, marketing etc. We especially encourage women to apply!

What?

Unique 6-months learning journey including:

- 6 workshop days in small classes of 12 students max
- inspiring prep material
- 6 mentoring and 2 coaching sessions 1:1

Where & When?

Dec 18, 2023 till May 13, 2024

- 6 in-person workshops in Zurich
- online mentoring & coaching sessions

Kick-off

Kick-off Session on December 18, 2023 (Zurich)

The wait is over – you finally get to meet your class and dive into the course.

- Getting to know your peers
- How to navigate the program
- Roles & Responsibilities in Agile PM

* Course date and program may be subject to change.

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PM 101

Workshop Day 1 on January 15, 2024 (Zurich)

This workshop day is dealing with the basics of successful product management: finding out what to focus on and how to create value for your customers and your business. But instead of a theoretical approach, the day will be focusing on real-world challenges and best practices.

- Hypothesis-Driven Product Management
- Prioritizing Your Backlog
- Finding Product-Market Fit

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Trainers
on Day 1

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Tanja Lau

Founder
Product Academy

Bern

Nina Schneider

VP of Product
Sherpany

Zurich

Discovery Mindset

Workshop Day 2 on February 26, 2024 (Zurich)

On the second workshop day we are going to focus on identifying opportunities, creating useful dashboards as well as experimenting and iterating in a lean way.

- Product Discovery
- Rapid Prototyping and Experimentation
- Continuous innovation & Jobs-to-be-Done

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Trainers on Day 2

Kristina Walcker-Mayer

CEO
Nuri

Berlin

Alexandra Lung

VP of Product
uptime

Paris

Radina Doneva

Senior User Researcher
Nuri

Berlin

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Strategy

Workshop Day 3 on March 18, 2024 (Zurich)

On this day we are de-mystifying product strategy :) Learn how to provide a strong purpose, how to create meaningful impact for your business and your customers and how to work with data & dashboards.

- Product Vision & Outcome-Based Roadmapping
- Working with OKRs
- Digital Analytics

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Stakeholders

Workshop Day 4 on April 22, 2024 (Zurich)

Knowing how to inform and align a large group of stakeholders, how to deal with management and how to stand up for what you believe in is a major step towards being perceived as senior PM. Learn how to communicate effectively with both business and engineering in order to drive impact.

- Communicating with Stakeholders

- Writing Great Specs

- Negotiation Skills

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Trainers on Day 4

Isabel Carbotta

ex-PM
Youtube

Zurich

Sandra Juras

Senior PM
Personio

Munich

Aude Morandi

Director of Product
Scout24 Schweiz

Bern

Leadership

Workshop Day 5 on May 13, 2024 (Zurich)

To conclude the program, we are looking at leadership and personal growth from different angles and invite experienced product leaders to a panel discussion with us.

- Career Planning & Work-Life-Balance
- Conflict Competence
- Product-Led Growth
- Graduation Ceremony

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Trainers on Day 5

Arjanna van der Plas

Certified Coach
Clüver & Van der Plas

Zurich

Leah Tharin

Head of Product
Jua.ai

Zurich

Tanja Lau

Founder
Product Academy

Bern

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Experienced Sparring Partners

Our mentors have several years of product management experience under their belt and can't wait to support you on your learning journey.

Monthly 1:1 Mentoring

Your six mentoring sessions are usually your day-to-day challenges, on strengthening your position within your company or helping you prepare for interviews.

Matching

The matching is done based on a survey and on our experience. We know each mentor personally and all our previous participants have been thrilled about their experience.

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Mentors

Our mentors work at

- Google
- Zalando
- Booking.com
- trivago
- Airnbn
- Amazon
- Lufthansa
- Just Eat
- Zenjob

. .. and many more

Coaches

Experienced Product Leaders

Our coaches have been leading and coaching product teams for several years.

2 individual Coaching Sessions

You are entitled to two coaching sessions in total where you can discuss topics like personal growth, developing leadership skills and advancing your career.

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Matching

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- Booking.com
- Doodle
- Airbnb
- Amazon
- Freeletics
- Tamedia
- Scout24

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Is this for you?

Requirements

Motivation — You are highly motivated to learn and apply your skills

Background — basic experience in product or in a related biz/tech role

Time — ability to attend all workshop days in person

Prep Work — committment to do up 6-12 hours of prep work/month

Diversity — We especially encourage women to apply.

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Application

Spring Edition Switzerland 2024

www.productacademy.ch/levelup

Apply by   latest by October 31, 2023 (applications are processed on a rolling basis)

Process   Fill out our application form by October 31, 2023!

Selection   12 participants based on motivation, experience fit and diversity

Confirmation   Latest mid-October 2023

Kick-off   December 18, 2023

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Pricing

a career investment
that pays off

CHF 2'490

Partial Scholarship

We provide a limited
amount of partial
scholarships for
women and start-ups.

CHF 3'400

Supporter Rate

if someone at your
company is
supporting the
program as trainer,
mentor or coach

CHF 4'900

Corporate Rate

Regular price

* All prices indicated are net prices excluding VAT.

Happy Alumni

Fran Fischer

Senior PM
CoachHub

"One of the best boosters I ever had for my career! The insights and network I gained are priceless."

Sandra Chatzakis

UX Manager
Migros Bank

"With this program I managed to master state-of-the-art methods as well as develop a holistic view. This fundamentally prepared me for my first leadership role."

Ivana Gjorgjiev

Product Manager
TestingTime

"Product Academy helped me to refine my PM skill set, gain a valuable network of product people and the best thing: I landed a new job and advanced my career just after the graduation!"

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Questions?

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Let's talk!

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