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Jessica Prater is the Principal Consultant of J Prater Consulting and brings 11 years of experience in training and human resources. She spent the first 7 years of her career with Bridgestone Americas Inc holding positions in both the human resources department and manufacturing groups. Her last assignment was Training Specialist III for the North American Manufacturing Education Center, which served 16 locations in the US, Mexico and Canada.

In her consulting agency, Jessica helps small to mid-sized businesses build fantastic teams to support their organization's vision. As a 5th generation business owner, she brings an understanding of the entrepreneurial spirit with her years of corporate development experience. She carries the professional certification of PHR and is a certified facilitator for Situational Leadership and the Kirton Adaption Innovation Inventory. She has served on the board of the Nashville Chapter of the Association for Talent Development and is the Professional Development Committee Chair of MYP (Murfreesboro Young Professionals).

Jessica holds of Master of Science with an emphasis in Industrial and Organizational Psychology from Middle Tennessee State University. During her time with MTSU, she completed consulting projects through the university's COHRE for organizations such as Comdata, Rutherford County Emergency Management Services, Nashville Airport Authority and Davidson County Sheriff's Department.

In 2018, she returned to MTSU as an adjunct professor for the Psychology Department.

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