## **Project Management Essentials** and Exam Preparation 10 weeks 36 hours

Hone your project management knowledge and take your career to the



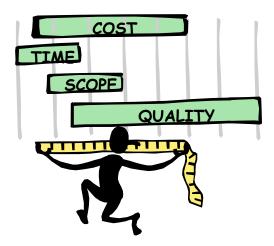
The Schoolcraft College Continuing Education and **Professional Development** department has partnered with Q'vive, a local leader in innovation strategy and training to offer a ten-week, intensive training program that will prepare you to take the Project Management Institute PMP® or CAPM® certification exam.





### **Knowledge Areas**

- Integration
- Scope
- Schedule
- Cost
- Quality
- Resources
- Communications
- Risk
- Procurement
- Stakeholders



Sponsor, Stakeholders Purpose, Justification Requirements, Specs Assumptions, Risks Budget, Milestones Scope, WBS, Schedule Change Control Project Plan Team Management **Execution & Control** Earned Value

**Deliverables** 





### **Examples of Tools & Techniques**

Stakeholder analysis Risk analysis

Facilitated workshops Risk mitigation

Expert judgment Performance reviews

Decomposition Negotiation

Precedence diagramming Team-building

Estimating Conflict management

Critical path analysis Communication methods

Resource leveling Forecasting

Schedule compression Variance analysis

Make-or-buy analysis Earned value

Cost of quality Change control

SWOT analysis Audits





#### **Class Description**

Are you preparing for the PMP® or CAPM® exam or looking for valuable project management skills?

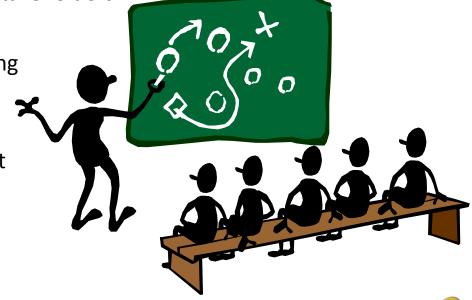
Gain essential knowledge about project management to deliver results for your stakeholders.

Topics include management of integration, scope, schedule, cost, quality, resources,

communications, risk, procurement, and stakeholders.

Get tools and techniques for initiating, planning, executing, controlling, and closing projects. Do group practice exercises and discuss exam preparation questions.

This course targets those that have project team experience, as well as project managers seeking to refresh their knowledge and complement skill sets.





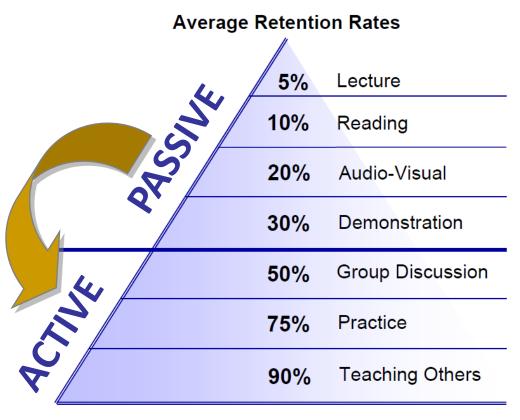
#### **Learning and Class Room Activities**

- Lecture
- Class room discussion
- Group practice exercises
- Exam questions

During each class we will work on **group projects** to apply project management principles.

We will also discuss **application** in specific (your!) **real life** situations.

## The Learning Pyramid\*



\*Source data: National Training Laboratories. Bethel, Maine





#### With this training, you will be able to...

- Explain the fundamental concepts of project management.
- Explain the five project management process groups, and know how to manage projects throughout the project life cycle.
- Explain the ten project management knowledge areas.
- Explain the inputs, tools and techniques, and outputs of the 49 project management processes.
- Create a project management plan based on a project charter and input from stakeholders.
- Determine how to manage a project team to execute the project management plan.
- Decide how to deal with project changes.
- Manage project documentation effectively, including lessons learned throughout the project.
- Explain how to properly close a project or project phase.
- Evaluate how professional responsibility drives ethical behavior.





#### **Project life cycle based presentation of:**

5 process groups

10 knowledge areas

49 processes

239 inputs

245 tools & techniques

181 outputs

#### Included in course:

514 page manual

45 exercises

486 practice questions

 exam strategies, perspective, approach, question types, facts

 PMProcess Flow<sup>™</sup> poster and set of Companion Documents

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#### About the exam:

The Fall 2020 course prepares for exams based on the *PMBOK® Guide* – Sixth Edition, which was published by PMI in September 2017.

The PMP® Exam will be updated on Jan 2, 2021, based on the June 2019 Exam Content Outline.
This course prepares students for the current exam, prior to the change.

More about this update from PMI:

https://www.pmi.org/certifications/types/project-management-pmp/exam-prep/changes





#### **January 2021 PMP Exam Change**

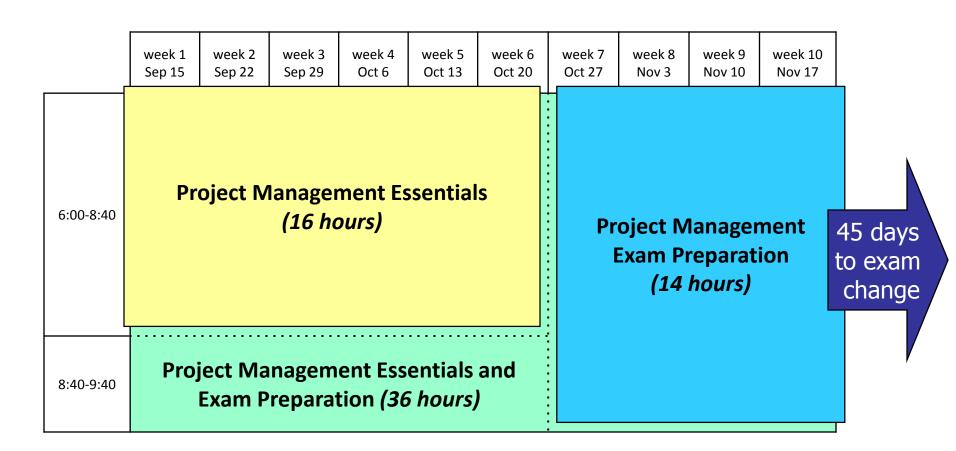
- The Outline is organized by Domains, Tasks, and Enablers
- Exam will focus on three new domains: People, Process, and Business Environment
- About half of the examination will represent predictive project management approaches and the other half will represent agile or hybrid approaches
- Content that spans the value spectrum, including predictive, agile and hybrid approaches, will be included across the three exam domains
- Knowledge and Skills (previously listed for each domain or process group) is replaced by Enablers for each Task statement within each of the three domains

#### PMP Exam Now Available Online

- Instead of paper and pen you will have to use an online "whiteboard"
- There is an optional 5 minute tutorial preceding the exam, which can be used to make notes and do a "memory dump" off the clock
- The exam is split in two equal parts of 120 min and 100 questions with a 10 min break
- Once your break has begun, you will NOT be able to go back into the first part











# Project Management Institute www.pmi.org

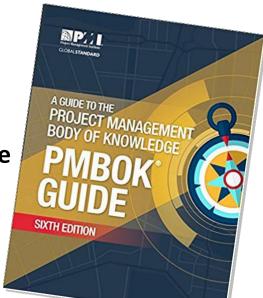
The Project Management Institute (PMI) is the world's leading organization for the project management profession.

- PMI serves practitioners and organizations
  - Standards that describe good practices
  - Globally recognized credentials that certify project management expertise
  - Resources for professional development
- A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) is the recognized standard for the project management profession
  - Provides guidelines for managing individual projects
  - Defines project management and related concepts
  - Describes project management life cycle and related processes



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## Project Management Institute www.pmi.org

#### PMP® Examination Content Outline

https://www.pmi.org/-/media/pmi/documents/public/pdf/certifications/project-management-professional-exam-outline.pdf https://www.pmi.org/-/media/pmi/documents/public/pdf/certifications/pmp-examination-content-outline-july-2020.pdf

#### PMP® Handbook

https://www.pmi.org/-/media/pmi/documents/public/pdf/certifications/project-management-professional-handbook.pdf

#### **CAPM® Handbook**

https://www.pmi.org/-/media/pmi/documents/public/pdf/certifications/certified-associate-project-management-handbook.pdf



## **Project Management Experience**

### PMP (Bachelor's degree or global equivalent)

Minimum three years/36 months\* unique non-overlapping professional project management experience during which at least **4,500 hours** were spent leading and directing the project\*\*

### PMP (High school diploma, Associates degree)

Minimum five years/60 months\* unique non-overlapping professional project management experience during which at least **7,500 hours** were spent leading and directing the project\*\*

### **CAPM** (High school diploma)

see Education Hours (next slide)

Excel worksheet

Experience Worksheet.xls

- \* All project management experience must have been accrued within the last eight consecutive years prior to your application submission.
- \*\* Leading and directing the project as identified with the tasks, knowledge, and skills specific in the <a href="Project">Project</a>
  <a href="Management Professional Examination Content Outline">Management Professional Examination Content Outline</a>. You should have experience in all five process groups across all your project management experience submitted on the application. However, on a single project, you do not need to have experience in all five process groups.





## **Education Hours**

**PMP** (Bachelor's degree or global equivalent)

35 contact hours of formal education

PMP (High school diploma, Associates degree)

35 contact hours of formal education

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### **CAPM** (High school diploma)

You must meet one of these two requirements:

**23 contact hours** of formal education **OR** 

1,500 hours of professional experience on a project team







## **Examination Fees**

	САРМ	PMP
PMI Membership	\$ 139*	
PMI Membership Renewal	\$ 129*	
Exam Member	\$ 225	\$ 405
Exam Nonmember	\$ 300	\$ 555
Reexamination Member	\$ 150	\$ 275
Reexamination Nonmember	\$ 200	\$ 375
Credential Renewal Member		\$ 60
Credential Renewal Nonmember		\$ 150

<sup>\*</sup> Student membership rates are \$42 for first year and \$32 for renewal. Retirees pay \$65 for renewal. A \$70 fee will be charged if you reschedule or cancel your exam within 30 calendar days of the appointment.





## **Time Commitment**

### PMP Exam Prep Course

- During the course 1-2 hours per week for quizzes
- It is recommended to read ahead in the course manual, PMBOK® Guide, and other study books (2-4 hours per week)

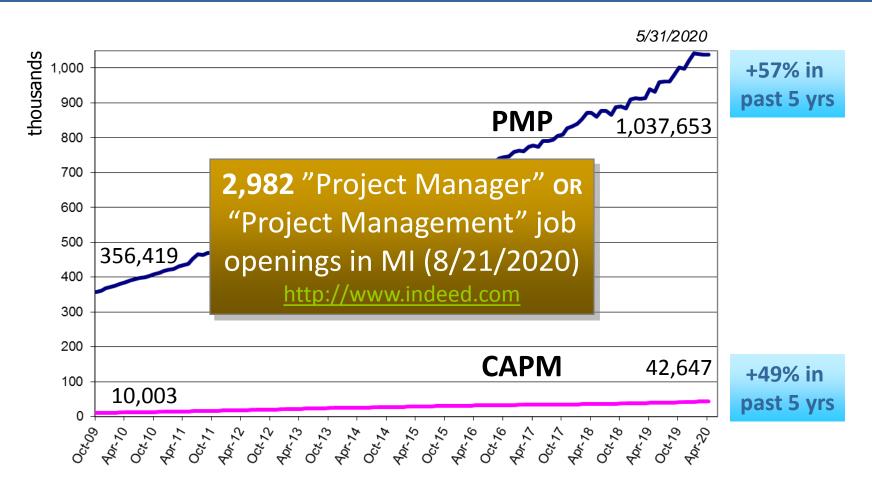
### Exam preparation: 3 months if you can spend 2-3 hours daily

- Read PMBOK® Guide Sixth Edition
- Read PMP Examination Content Outline
- Read PMP Exam Prep study book
- Practice exam questions (start with partial sets and complete several full 200 question sets at the end of your preparation)
- Create memory dump sheet
- Spend more time (double) in the weeks leading up to the exam
- Consider joining/forming a study group (weekly 2-hour meetings)



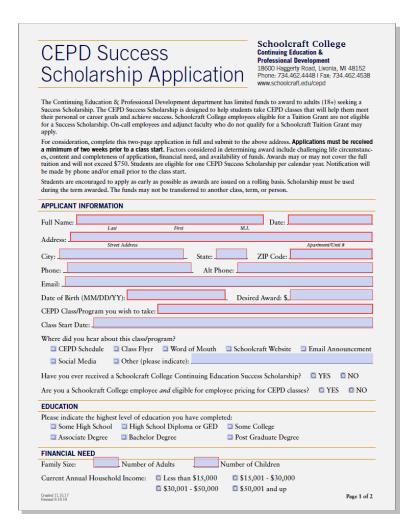


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https://www.schoolcraft.edu/cepd/career-training



#### **Success Scholarship**

- The CEPD department has limited funds to award to adults (18+) seeking a Success Scholarship
- This Scholarship is designed to help students take CEPD classes that will help them meet their personal or career goals and achieve success
- Applications have to be submitted two weeks before the class start date, and are reviewed by a committee and scored with a standard rubric
- Factors considered include challenging life circumstances, content and completeness of application, financial need, availability of funds
- If the maximum amount of \$750 is awarded, the course will cost eligible students only \$145, which is a true game changer
- Historically, those who are granted an award often are not granted the maximum



streamlining the intersection of innovation strategy, new product development, and project management



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### Eric van der Meulen, PMP

#### President, Founder, Consultant

Experienced leader in product and process development, engineering, and R&D, with expertise in plastics, innovation strategy, and stage-gate project management.

Holds patents in printing and other aspects of polycarbonate automotive glazing.

Project Management Professional (PMP) and Process Improvement Professional (RBPMP) with 20+ years experience in project and program management for multinational and small companies, both as functional leader and as consultant.

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# Week 1 – Agenda



- Introductions, Goals
- Overview & Definitions
  - Project, Project Management
  - Organizational Context
- Life Cycles & Framework
  - Project Life Cycle
  - Project Management Process Groups
  - Project Management Knowledge Areas
  - Tailoring, Constraints
- Project Business Case
  - Project Management Business Documents
  - Business Value, Project Success, Stakeholders
  - SMART Objectives

#### **Discussion:**

Goals

### **Exercises:**

- Definitions
- Project Selection
- SMART Objectives



# What is a Project?

- A temporary endeavor with start and end dates
- Creates a unique result, outcome, solution
  - Product includes components, enhancements of items
  - Service or service capability, support function
  - Result includes outcome, document, new knowledge
    - Organizational change from current state to future state
- Enables creation of business value, tangible and/or intangible
- A project is different from operations
  - **Operations** is permanent or semi-permanent work that repeatedly produces or provides the same product or service
    - Ongoing execution of repetitive process following existing procedures

<u>Project:</u> A temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product, service, or result.









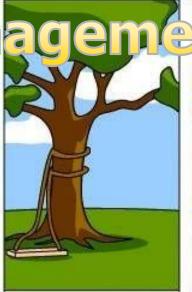
How the customer explained it



How the Project Manager understood it



How the Analyst designed it

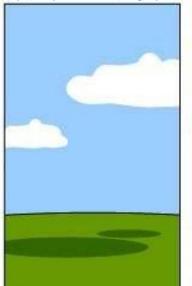


How the Programmer wrote it

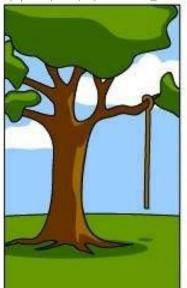


How the Business Consultant described it

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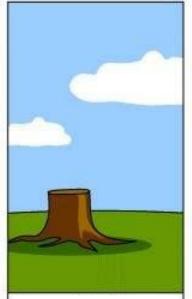
How the project was documented



What Operations installed



How the customer was billed



How it was supported



What the customer really needed

# Managing Project Constraints

- Project Management is the **discipline** of planning, organizing and managing resources to bring about the **successful** completion of **specific** project goals and objectives.
- The primary challenge of project management is to achieve all of the project goals and objectives while balancing various project constraints including scope, time, cost, quality, and resources.
- Changing one constraint affects other constraint(s)



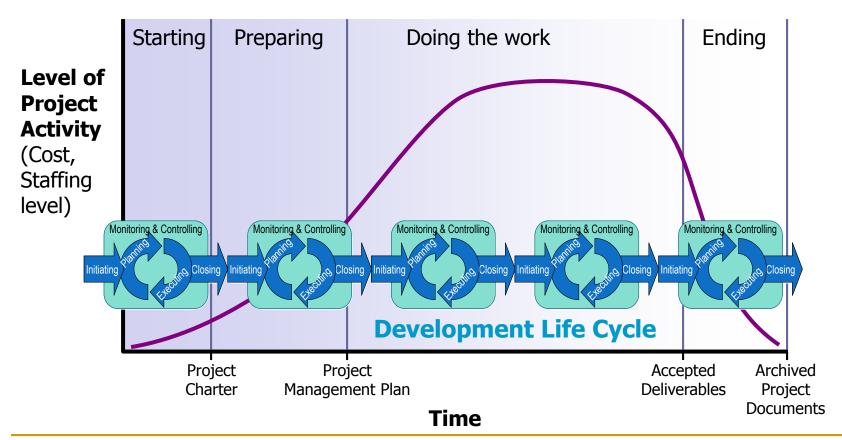


Constraint: A limiting factor that affects the execution of a project or process.



# Project Life Cycle

 Cost and staffing levels are low at the start of the project, peak during development and decrease as the project draws to a close





# Process Groups

### Project Initiating

- Business case
- Define Project
- Authorize Project
- Assign project manager

### Project Planning

- Define requirements, scope, quality and quantity of work
- Determine how to get the job done
- Define resources and schedule work
- Evaluate risks



Project Charter



Project Management Plan

Kerzner, Harold. Project Management. 10th ed. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley, 2009 (p. 3)



# Process Groups

- Project Executing
  - Negotiate for team members
  - Direct and manage the work
  - Help team members improve



- Track progress
- Compare actual to predicted outcome
- Analyze variances, process changes
- Project Closing
  - Verify that all the work has been completed
  - □ Formal (administrative) closure



**Deliverables** 



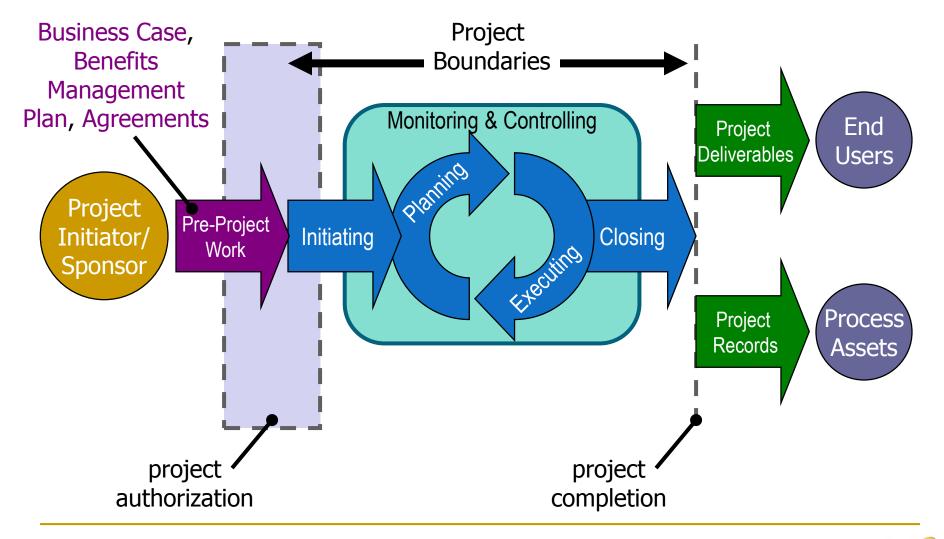
Accepted
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Process Assets Lessons Learned

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# Project Boundaries











# Practice Exam Question

Which of the following represents the project manager's responsibility in regard to change on a project?

- A. Influence the factors that cause project change.
- B. Ensure all changes are communicated to the change control board.
- c. Deny change whenever possible.
- D. Prioritize change below execution.



# Practice Exam Question

## What is the function of the project sponsor?

- A. To help manage senior management expectations.
- в. To be the primary interface with the customer.
- c. To fund the project and formally accept the product.
- D. To help exert control over functional managers.

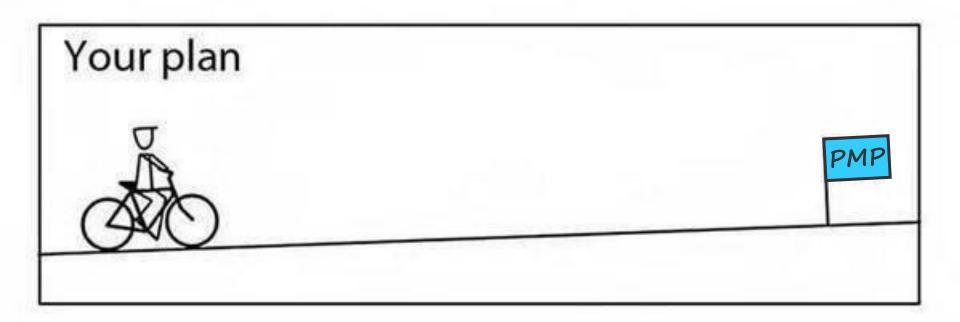


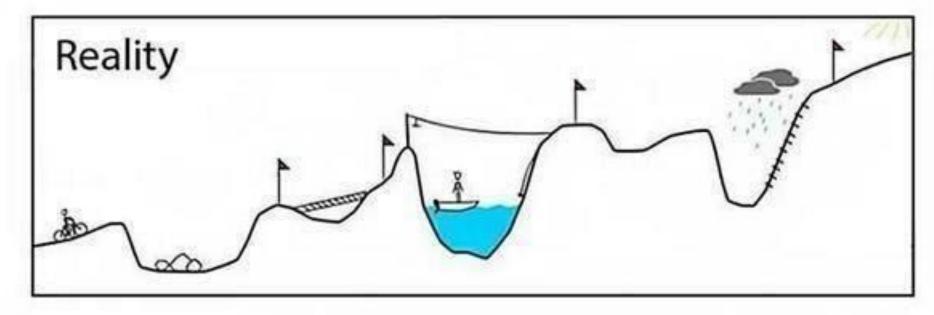
# Practice Exam Question

Which of the following is the best description of critical path?

- A. The activities that represent critical functionality.
- B. The activities that represent the largest portions of the work packages.
- c. The activities that represent the highest schedule risk on the project.
- D. The activities that represent the optimal path through the network.







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