

Project Management Fundamentals

Course Overview

Project Management Fundamentals builds on our one-day PM course with additional hands-on training in core project management concepts and techniques. The course extends PMBOK[®] concepts with supplemental, field-proven best practices that are designed to overcome common sources of project failure. Participants are shown how to write a convincing project charter, establish project control through careful scope definition and management, develop a comprehensive schedule and budget, report project status, minimize issues through proactive risk management, control costs and more. The importance of planning for post-project Business Value is emphasized throughout this course.

Course topics include:

- Sources of project success and failure
- Product and project lifecycles
- Realization of Business Value
- Identifying, analyzing and managing stakeholders
- Providing estimates that work for you
- Building a strong project foundation
- Defining scope, schedule and budget
- Resource planning
- Planning for procurement
- Establishing effective communication
- Planning for long-term project value
- Building quality into deliverables
- Containing scope creep with effective change control
- Minimizing issues through proactive risk management
- Status reports and forecasts
- Planning and executing an effective Transition
- Administrative and contract closure
- Lessons Learned

Who should attend

This course is ideal for new project managers, functional managers, project team members and key project stakeholders. It can also provide a quick but in-depth look at project management practice for anyone with project responsibility.

Prerequisites

This course assumes minimal experience with project work.

Course Information

- **Course I.D. Number:** 2015
- **Duration:** 2 days
- **Participants receive:**
 - PMP[®]-certified instruction
 - Comprehensive Participant Guide
 - High quality Project Management templates
 - Certificate of Participation
 - 14 PDUs (Tech: 9 Lead: 3 Strat: 2)
- **Typical class size:** 6 to 24 attendees
- **Delivery:** Virtual or onsite

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I. Introduction

- Sources of project success and failure
- The project environment
- Essential PM Concepts
- Project and product lifecycles
- Creating value after the project: Project Value Management
- PM Methodologies

II. Project Initiation

- Use and benefits of the Project Charter
- Identifying, analyzing and managing stakeholders
- Project constraints: keeping scope, time and cost in balance
- Creating useful estimates of time and cost
- Building a strong project foundation

III. Project Planning

- Defining Scope: Requirements and the WBS
- Scheduling and the Critical Path
- Resource planning

- Budgeting and procurement
- Using deliverables quality to drive Business Value
- Strategies for effective project communication
- Minimizing issues with proactive risk management
- Setting project baselines
- Planning for long-term project value

IV. Execution and Control

- Building deliverables
- Status reports and forecasts
- Preventing scope creep: Tools and methods of change control
- Controlling cost and schedule
- Managing project baselines
- Transition: deployment to the customer

V. Successful Conclusion

- Executing the Business Value plan
- Contract and administrative closure
- Lessons Learned and continual improvement

This course includes 15 hands-on exercises and facilitated discussions. Course material is fully PMBOK® and BABOK® compliant.

Learning Approach

- A highly experienced instructor will use interactive lecture format, numerous exercises, group discussions and other techniques to drive home the essential points of this material
- We will build on whatever project experience you have while providing you with a structure and vocabulary to use in future projects.
- If you have modest project management knowledge, you will find that the clarity of the material and direct presentation style of the instructor will make the subject matter easy to understand.
- You will receive a Participant Guide which will help you follow the material, take notes and retain what you learned so that you can apply it on your job.

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