

Professional Certificate in Project Management



Demand for Project Management Skills is Growing Worldwide

Increasingly complex business operations across the globe are demanding faster, better, cheaper solutions for clients. Project managers make this happen, which is why job opportunities continue to grow at a rate of 1.5 million per year.

Stand out as a leader who can successfully manage projects in any industry, with SDSU's Professional Certificate in Project Management. The program gives you a hands-on approach to the latest tools, methodologies, and people skills required to lead a team; and deliver projects on time and within budget.

Program Benefits

- Learn theory and practical applications you can immediately apply to your work.
- Learn the 10 knowledge areas and five process groups outlined by the Project Management Institute (PMI®).
- Classes meet just one night a week — convenient for most any schedule.
- Complete the program in as little as seven months.
- Prepare for the Project Management Professional (PMP®) Certification.

Topics Include

- Project management framework, standards, terminology, and definitions
- Roles, responsibilities, behaviors, and activities that support high-performance teams
- Proactively managing project threats and opportunities via risk-management methodology
- Creating the work breakdown structure (WBS), activity duration estimating, and more
- Ensuring timely and appropriate project communication methods
- Managing stakeholder expectations

Program Length: 7–12 months

Certificate Requirements

- Successfully complete seven core courses and two electives.
- Requirements must be completed within five years.

If you are not pursuing a certificate, take as many individual courses as you wish, with the exception of the Capstone: Project Simulation.

For more information, email pm.ces@sdsu.edu, visit neverstoplearning.net/pm, or call (619) 594-3946.

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Recommended Sequence Options

| Core Courses (complete all seven) | Hours | Cost | Spring 2019 Sequence | Fall 2019 Sequence |
|---|--------------|-------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| PM 0004 Introduction to Project Management: Framework and Integration | 15 | \$449 | 3/7–4/4 | 9/3–10/1 |
| PM 0002 Resource Management and Team Building | 15 | \$449 | 4/11–5/9 | 10/8–11/5 |
| PM 0014 Project Risk Management | 15 | \$449 | 5/16–6/13 | 11/12–12/17 |
| PM 0008 Scope, Schedule, and Cost | 21 | \$649 | 6/20–8/8 | |
| PM 0013 Communication and Stakeholder Management | 15 | \$449 | 8/15–9/12 | |
| PM 0005 Procurement | 18 | \$549 | 9/19–10/24 | |
| PM 0016 Capstone: Project Simulation *Prerequisite: Successfully complete six core courses | 18 | \$649 | 10/30–12/18 | |
| Elective Courses (choose two) | Hours | Cost | Spring 2019 Sequence | |
| PM 0020 Agile | 15 | \$449 | 1/16–2/13 | |
| CM 0003 Effective Negotiation Skills and Techniques–Level 1 | 18 | \$449 | 2/20–3/27 | |
| PM 0019 Microsoft Project Fundamentals | 15 | \$449 | 4/8–5/6 | |
| PM 0015 Earned Value Management | 15 | \$449 | 9/4–10/2 | |

*Dates and prices are subject to change.

Student Testimonials

“Even if you don’t earn your PMP, having a familiarity with project management will be valuable. It demonstrates to an employer that you have a grasp of project management fundamentals, understand crucial elements, and can use this knowledge to be a direct contributor to a project’s success.” — Brett Higdon

“If you’re the type of person that takes this course, you’re probably already a good employee wherever you work. This shows a commitment to getting better. I think the program provides a nudge that can push a merely good or effective manager to the next level.” — Patrick Mooney

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