

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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Master of Science in Project Management

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of the Master of Science in Project Management is to serve graduate students in the online environment by improving their business and project management competencies, providing them with professional development opportunities as project management practitioners, and enhancing their prospects for continued advancement in their chosen industry or field of endeavor.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Graduates will:

1. Describe and apply the various project management knowledge areas and process groups identified in *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide)*;
2. Demonstrate effective electronic, verbal, and written communication skills;
3. Apply interpersonal skills in the project environment;
4. Analyze the benefits of and develop appropriate strategies for diversity in the project environment;
5. Apply ethical business principles in the project environment;
6. Initiate, plan, execute, and close out a project utilizing project management concepts.

INTRODUCTION

The Master of Science in Project Management is an online program designed to satisfy the needs of working adults who want to pursue a degree while remaining employed. The non-thesis degree program is open to anyone who holds a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution, who meets admission requirements, and who has the desire to learn about project management. It provides professionals with a convenient, practical, and high-quality course of study that allows them to develop the new skills that are needed in managing today's workplace while earning graduate credits toward an advanced degree. The curriculum is aligned with Project Management Institute's *PMBOK® Guide*, which is the basis for the Project Management Professional (PMP)® credential. The Master of Science in Project Management is accredited by Project Management Institute's Global Accreditation Center, widely accepted as the 'gold standard' in project management education. Each three-credit course also counts for 45 Professional Development Units toward maintenance of the PMP® credential.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Admission to the Master of Science in Project Management requires a bachelor's degree earned from a nationally or regionally accredited institution recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). International degrees will be evaluated on an individual basis. To be eligible for admission in full standing, a student must have an overall undergraduate grade point average of 2.75 or above, or 2.90 on the last 60 credits from the degree-granting institution. Students who do not qualify for admission in full standing may be admitted on a trial enrollment justified by the admitting department and approved by the director of the School of Graduate Studies. Students are allowed seven years from the date of admission into the program to complete degree requirements; extensions may be granted for extenuating circumstances.

Program entrance requirements and degree completion requirements are consistent with those of the graduate programs of the institution. Applicants should follow the instructions found in the Online Admission Policies and Procedures section of this catalog.

SPECIAL STUDENTS

Students with a bachelor's degree who want to enroll in selected courses without being admitted to the program may enroll as special students. A maximum of 12 credits may be taken as a special student.

TRANSFER AGREEMENTS: INFORMATION AND ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

UW-Platteville maintains transfer and credit agreements with a variety of external education partners. UW-Platteville awards transfer credits for incoming Master of Science in Project Management students who have fulfilled the requirements for one of these agreements. Please see

www.uwplatt.edu/distance-education/online-master-science-project-management (<http://www.uwplatt.edu/distance-education/online-master-science-project-management>) for more information about these agreements.

NOTE: UW-Platteville allows credit from only one program partner or credential to count toward degree completion. Contact the program coordinator (projectmgmt@uwplatt.edu) to discuss potential transfer credits.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT DEGREE REQUIREMENT

PLAN YOUR DEGREE

Join the select group of leaders who know that earning a degree from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville is a great pathway to professional success.

You'll earn your degree by successfully completing 30-36 graduate credits. Tailor your education to match your career goals with a wide variety of elective courses. All courses listed are three credits unless otherwise stated. Graduate credits in which a grade lower than a "C" has been earned will not be counted toward a degree in Project Management; however, these lower grades will be reflected in the student's grade point average.

CURRICULUM

The Master of Science in Project Management is earned upon the successful completion of 30–36 credit hours (total varies depending upon how many business foundation courses are required based on the student's approved degree plan). All courses are three credits unless otherwise noted.

Business Foundation Courses

ACCTING 7000	Managerial Accounting	3
BUSADMIN 5530	Organizational Behavior	3
MEDIA 5010	Business Communication	3

Project Management Core Courses

PROJMGMT 7010	Project Management Techniques I	3
PROJMGMT 7020	Project Management Techniques II	3
PROJMGMT 7040	Interpersonal Skills for Virtual and Co-Located Project Teams	3
PROJMGMT 7080	Project Scope Management	3
PROJMGMT 7840	Project Management Capstone	3

Elective Courses

Select 12-15 credits with the assistance of an academic advisor: ²

BUSADMIN 5030	Human Resource Management
BUSADMIN 5100	Compensation Management
BUSADMIN 5340	Management, Gender and Race
BUSADMIN 5500	Employee Training and Development
BUSADMIN 5540	Quality Management
BUSADMIN 5620	Corporate Finance
BUSADMIN 5650	International Finance
BUSADMIN 5720	International Marketing
BUSADMIN 5740	Consumer Behavior
BUSADMIN 6100	Supply Chain Management
BUSADMIN 6200	Employee Recruitment and Selection
BUSADMIN 6330	Labor-Management Relations
BUSADMIN 6630	Marketing Management
BUSADMIN 7540	Advanced Quality Management
ENGRG 6050	Applied Statistics
ENGRG 7810	Advanced Production and Operations Analysis
ENGRG 7830	Advanced Cost and Value Analysis
ENGRG 7850	Taguchi Method of Designing Experiments
INDUSTDY 7000	Research Methodology
ISCM 7100	International Supply Chain Management
MEDIA 5800	Meeting and Event Management
MEDIA 7330	Organizational Communication
OCL 7310	BUSINESS ANALYTICS

OCL 7330	Organizational Change Leadership: Theory and Practice
PHLSPHY 7530	Business Ethics
PROJMGT 7030	Project Risk Management
PROJMGT 7050	Project Procurement Management
PROJMGT 7060	Advanced Tools and Techniques for Project Management
PROJMGT 7070	Program Management
PROJMGT 7090	Agile Methods in Project Management
PROJMGT 7100	Legal Environment of Meetings
PROJMGT 7120	Project Portfolio Management
PROJMGT 7920	Seminar Paper Research
PROJMGT 7940	Special Topics in Project Management
PROJMGT 7980	Independent Study in Project Management
PROJMGT 7990	Thesis Research ¹

¹ With the program coordinator's approval, PROJMGT 7920 or PROJMGT 7990 may be substituted for PROJMGT 7840. Both options require adequate preparation in scholarly research and formal writing, such as INDUSTDY 7000.

² Additional electives may be available through transfer and/or other arrangements. Contact the program coordinator for more information.

The curriculum is regularly updated to ensure its relevance to today's project managers.

UW-Platteville offers two online project management certificates, including the Certificate in Project Management and the Advanced Certificate in Project Management as described below. These certificates are distinct from the Master of Science in Project Management, but credit earned for them may be applied toward completion of the MSPM degree. To earn a certificate, students must complete all of the required courses through UW-Platteville, under the direction of University of Wisconsin-Platteville faculty. Transferred courses and course substitutions are not allowed.

To obtain a certificate, students must

- Achieve a minimum grade of "C" in each course for the certificate program
- Complete the certificate courses with a minimum overall GPA of 3.00
- Request a certificate from the Distance Learning Center within one year upon completion of the final course in the certificate

CERTIFICATE IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT

This certificate is designed for people who want a solid foundation in basic project management skills but are not currently pursuing the Master of Science in Project Management. The credits earned for the certificate can be applied toward the master's degree for those who apply and are accepted into the degree program. The Certificate in Project Management is comprised of three courses. Each course is worth three credits. Students may enroll in these courses as a Special Student.

PROJMGT 7010	Project Management Techniques I	3
PROJMGT 7020	Project Management Techniques II	3
BUSADMIN 5540	Quality Management	3
or BUSADMIN 7540	Advanced Quality Management	

Together, the courses in this certificate address the various process groups and knowledge areas of *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge* and provide many of the competencies needed to prepare for the Project Management Professional Certification Examination. For more information on the Project Management Institute and the PMP® Certification Examination, go to www.pmi.org (<http://www.pmi.org>) and click on Certification.

ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT

PROJMGT 7030	Project Risk Management	
PROJMGT 7050	Project Procurement Management	
Select one of the following:		3
PROJMGT 7040	Interpersonal Skills for Virtual and Co-Located Project Teams	
PROJMGT 7060	Advanced Tools and Techniques for Project Management	
PROJMGT 7980	Independent Study in Project Management	

ADVANCED PROJECT MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE (9 CR.) FOR CLARKE UNIVERSITY MBA STUDENTS

Available only to Clarke University MBA students (<http://www.clarke.edu/page.aspx?id=21340>), this Advanced Certificate in Project Management is an ideal way to leverage Clarke's graduate degree in business administration with an additional skill set in the essential field of project management. Eligibility requires prior completion of 18 credits in the Clarke MBA program. Please consult a Clarke University academic advisor and Certificate Agreement with Clarke University (<https://www3.uwplatt.edu/files/distance-education/PDF/Transfer-Agreements/CertificateAgreementClarkeUniversity.pdf>) for more information.

PROJMGT 7040	Interpersonal Skills for Virtual and Co-Located Project Teams
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PROJMGT 7080	Project Scope Management
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And select one of the following:

BUSADMIN 5540	Quality Management
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or BUSADMIN 7540	Advanced Quality Management
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