Course Overview

Project Management is one of the fastest growing professional disciplines in North America. Gain the prestige and professional advantages derived from attaining your Project Management Professional (PMP) certification, a globally-recognized and respected credential that shows employers your solid foundation of knowledge from which you can competently practice project management.

Course Outline

Desai's 3-day Class

Desai's offering for PMP Certification Boot Camp is a comprehensive 3-day training regimen designed to prepare students to successfully complete the PMP examination.

Here is how the Boot Camp content is covered in the 3 days:

Day 1

Course Introduction

- Understand the PMI application process
- Take a baseline exam

Foundational Concepts

- Core understandings
- Pre-requisites
- Triple Constraints

Process Constraints

- Project phases
- Process groups

Integration Management

- Project charter
- Management plan
- Benefit measurement
- Monitor and control
- Project closure

Scope Management

- Project scope
- Requirements
- Traceability matrix
- Work breakdown structure
- Scope baseline

Day 2

Quality Management

- Quality theories
- Six Sigma quality
- Cost of quality
- Management plan
- Quality audits

Human Resource Management

- Motivational theories
- RACI matrix
- Conflict management
- Roles and responsibilities

- HR management plans

Communication Management

- Philosophy
- Communications processes
- Communications plan
- Performance reporting

Stakeholder Management

- Stakeholder register

Risk Management

- Identifying risk
- Risk breakdown structures
- Risk management plan
- Qualitative / Quantitative
- Risk mitigation

Day 3

Professional Responsibility

- Philosophy

- Code of conduct

Time Management

- Time management processes
- Estimation
- Schedule development
- Controlling the schedule
- Critical path management

Project Network Diagrams

- Gantt charts
- PERT charts
- Critical path diagrams

Cost Management

- Estimating cost
- Baselining cost
- Budgeting

Earned Value Management

- Philosophy
- Applications

How to pass the PMP exam

- Tips and tricks

Final practice exam

Closing

Training Techniques

Desai's comprehensive and varied approach to training incorporates a number of industry-leading techniques, such as:

- Active class discussion
- Participative learning
- Real-world examples
- Best practice discussions
- Exam strategies, tips and tricks
- Memorization techniques
- Practice exams after each module

In addition, Desai facilitates a series of Boot Camp follow-up study groups, based on participant interest. Study groups are available for participants that wish to continue their exam prep at no charge. The groups encourage group discussion and continued learning on the PMBOK, further preparing the individual for the PMP exam, with techniques such as:

- Reinforcement of Boot Camp materials
- Shared study habits
- In-person and virtual resources
- Discussion of lessons learned

To make the Boot Camp environment more effective, Desai's instruction sessions include:

- Complimentary breakfast
- Complimentary lunch
- Professional learning environment

Boot Camps can be complimented with additional training modules to help develop project management skills to the highest possible level. Offerings available include:

- 1-day Project Management Fundamentals (pre-Boot Camp)
- 3-day Boot Camp
- 1-day additional Advanced PM skill development training (post-Boot Camp)

Discounts are available for early registrations and groups (4 or more people from the same company).

Instructional Materials Used

Desai uses materials prepared by Velociteach. These materials have been proven in the industry and provide participants with a robust set of study tools built upon the latest PMBOK content (version 5). Materials include:

- Textbook "The PMP Exam: How to Pass on Your First Try", by Andy Crowe
- Six months' subscription to the Velociteach Exam Prep online simulator
- 250 study / flash cards

- Five audio CDs
- Quick reference guide
- Student workbook

Results of Boot Camp

- A detailed understanding of each of the major project management process groups, including inputs, outputs, tools, techniques and terminology
- A robust review of how each process relates to the project management knowledge areas
- A detailed assessment of the project management framework and how processes flow within it
- An overview of professional responsibilities as a Project Management Professional, as outlined by PMI
- An explanation of the PMI formulas related to cost, time, quality and risk, and the ability to apply them in real scenarios
- A detailed understanding of the tradeoffs and impacts of the triple constraints - scope, schedule and cost
- An understanding of how to produce network diagrams, calculate critical path, float and lag, and the terms, tools and techniques that apply to them
- Detailed review of test-taking strategies to help you understand and decode PMI's test questions and avoid common traps and pitfalls

Boot Camp Participants Receive:

- 24 classroom hours of project management training (contact hours - the required classroom education hours needed to apply for the PMP exam)
- 11 hours of online exam preparation study (also contact hours)
- Guidance in the PMI application process
- 3 days of intensive classroom training
- Numerous practice questions
- Hands-on experience taking structured exams
- Post-training / pre-exam study group
- World-class training materials from Velociteach
- 6 months access to the Velociteach exam prep online simulator