

## **BPG104**

# **Preparation for the Project Management Professional (PMP)<sup>®</sup> Certification Examination<sup>1</sup>**

### **(4 days)**

#### **Overview**

Project Management Professional (PMP)<sup>®</sup> certification has become the most recognized credential for the practice of the rapidly evolving profession of project management. This course prepares you for the PMP<sup>®</sup> certification examination offered through the Project Management Institute (PMI)<sup>®</sup>.

Only people who have successfully demonstrated their mastery of concepts of project management, as documented in the Project Management Institute, *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge, (PMBOK<sup>®</sup> Guide)* – Fifth Edition, and meet PMI<sup>®</sup> experience requirements are allowed to use the PMP<sup>®</sup> designation. Increasingly, the federal government and companies all over the world are recognizing the value that project management can provide. The specification of project management personnel qualifications in many federal procurements and the establishment of project management career paths in corporations are recognition of the growing importance of project management in the workplace. PMP<sup>®</sup> certification is often a requirement for promotion and success in these environments.

#### **Special Features**

This course prepares you to sit for PMI<sup>®</sup>'s PMP<sup>®</sup> Exam. Lecture and extensive use of case studies and in-class exercises provide for active student involvement in practical use of course content. The instructors use advanced learning methods, word-picture associations, and Mind Maps to strengthen learning recall. In addition, as the course progresses through each of the *PMBOK<sup>®</sup> Guide* knowledge areas, the student is tested using an electronic examination bank that mimics the actual PMP<sup>®</sup> Exam. Using this approach, course participants quickly get feedback on knowledge retention. A timed, final exam measures comprehension and preparedness for the actual PMP<sup>®</sup> Exam.

Course attendees must obtain a copy of:

- *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK<sup>®</sup> Guide)* – Fifth Edition,

<sup>1</sup> PMI, Project Management Professional (PMP)<sup>®</sup>, and Project Management Institute, *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge, (PMBOK<sup>®</sup> Guide)* – Fifth Edition, Project Management Institute, 2013, are registered marks of the Project Management Institute, Inc.

Project Management Institute at <http://www.pmi.org>. (*PMBOK*<sup>®</sup> *Guide*)

The following texts and materials, beyond the provided lecture notes, are used in the course. Copies are provided as part of the course:

- PMP Exam simulation software( PM Final<sup>TM2</sup>) with 1400 practice questions

## Topic Highlights

Each of the 10 *PMBOK*<sup>®</sup> areas of knowledge is addressed in separate modules. A brief presentation highlights the most significant aspects of each module. Participants then individually answer a series of questions from our data base. After each of these individual working sessions, the entire class reviews each question under the direction of the instructor. In this manner, both the content and format of examination questions become familiar to each student. Using this systematic method of approaching the learning content, participants are able to identify weak areas that require more individual study. The last session is a practice examination that mimics the *PMP*<sup>®</sup> Exam format and content.

This course covers the nine knowledge areas identified in the *PMBOK*<sup>®</sup> *Guide*:

- Project Integration Management
- Project Scope Management
- Project Time Management
- Project Cost Management
- Project Quality Management
- Project Human Resource Management
- Project Communications Management
- Project Risk Management
- Project Procurement Management
- Stakeholder Management

<sup>2</sup> PM Final<sup>TM</sup> is a trademark of Praxis Management International, LLC

**Audience**

This course targets persons who recently have been promoted to the position of project manager or who are currently employed as task leaders, and otherwise are eligible to sit for the PMP® Exam but have minimum professional experience or lack the required classroom hours to apply to sit for the examination. An emphasis is placed on in-class exercises, testing, and case studies. A pre-test and post-test evaluation is used to measure learning comprehension. Students who score a minimum of 75% on the post-test are guaranteed to pass the PMI® PMP® Examination. If they do not pass the PMP® Exam, they may attend a future class at no additional charge.