



Managing Successful Programmes (MSP®)

Foundation to Practitioner

Weekday course: Foundation - 3 days. Practitioner - 2 days.

Weekend course: Foundation - 2 days. Practitioner - 2 days.

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Overview

Programme Management is a vital component in the delivery of strategic / business initiative and change. Delivering the right benefits and outcomes from change requires a structured framework to co-ordinate, communicate, align, manage and control the activities involved. Programme Management provides this framework through organisation, processes, inputs, outputs and a focus on strategic thinking.

Examples of strategic programmes are:

- » Organisation mergers and integration programmes
- » Major new business line launches
- » Large or complex multi-functional IT Projects
- » Major restructuring/corporate re-engineering
- » Major cost reduction initiatives

Managing Successful Programmes (MSP®) is a globally recognised programme management methodology from AXELOS Limited. AXELOS provides a range of Best Management Practice guides, including PRINCE2®, MoP® and P3O®.

Foundation Course Objectives

The Foundation course aims to certify participants in MSP, the leading programme management method. Participation confirms the vital role of effective Programme Management in:

- » Identifying and ensuring delivery of real benefits to the end-users of products and services
- » Ensuring that stakeholder expectations at required levels are appropriately set, managed and maintained
- » Managing the crucial links and interdependencies between projects in a programme environment

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Who should attend?

The courses are designed as followed:

- » **Foundation** - for those working within a programme environment who need to know terminology and some theory behind the practice
- » **Practitioner** - for those currently working in programme management and those coming into programme management from project management.

Prerequisites

Foundation

To gain the most benefit from participation in this course, participants should have an interest and / or role in the programme management arena.

There is no pre-course work for this course.

Practitioner

To be eligible to sit the MSP Practitioner exam, participants must have attended the Foundation course and obtained a pass in the MSP Foundation exam.

Please note that to ensure your outcomes are achieved this course requires some pre-course preparation. This material will be sent out 2 weeks in advance of the course (or at time of booking if booking less than 2 weeks prior to course commencement).

It is a requirement that participants familiarise themselves with this material prior to commencing this course.

Practitioner Course Objectives

The Practitioner course prepares participants to undertake and pass the MSP Practitioner Examination. The Practitioner level qualification aims to measure whether the candidate has sufficient knowledge and understanding of the MSP guidance to apply and tailor it to a given scenario situation.

The course includes review, consolidation of concepts and exam questions for the Practitioner level certification.

Please note that the Practitioner course is an examination preparation course and focuses on the application of MSP to prepare candidates for the Practitioner examination.

Course Summary

Participants will be provided with:

- » The key differences between projects and programmes
- » An understanding of managing organisational benefits through successful planning and control
- » An understanding of how to manage a strategic programme against measurable outcomes
- » Preparation for certification examinations

Course Delivery

Trainers of these courses will use a practical delivery approach to provide participants with a 'hands-on', multi-faceted and challenging learning experience. Understanding and recall techniques will be used to provide participants with a solid comprehension of MSP.

Courses are facilitated by our expert team and can be conducted onsite or at our premises. All courses can be customised to suit your requirements.

Note: Weekend courses are conducted over two full weekends.

Foundation Certification

The Foundation course includes the MSP Foundation Examination which consists of:

- » 1-hour duration
- » 75 questions
- » Multiple-choice paper
- » The pass mark is 50%

Weekday courses: Exam taken on the afternoon of day 3 of the Foundation course.

Weekend courses: Exam taken on the morning of day 1 of the Practitioner course.

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Development Units

Participants who have been awarded the Project Management Professional (PMP)® credential by the Project Management Institute (PMI)® are eligible to earn PDUs for their participation in these course as follows:

» FOUNDATION

Weekday (3 days): 21 PDUs

15 Technical, 2 Strategic and Business Management and 4 Leadership

Weekend (2 days): 18 PDUs

14 Technical, 1 Strategic and Business Management and 3 Leadership

» PRACTITIONER (2 days): 14 PDUs

12 Technical, 1 Strategic and Business Management and 1 Leadership

Participants holding any of the Project Management accreditations (CPPP/ CPPM/ CPPD) are eligible to earn **20 CPDs** for each of these short courses.

Practitioner Certification

The Practitioner course includes the MSP Practitioner Examination. *Please note a pass in the Foundation examination pass is a prerequisite to sitting the Practitioner examination.*

The Practitioner examination consists of:

- » 2.5 hours duration (including reading time)
- » Objective test paper based on a programme scenario
- » 8 questions with a total of 80 marks available
- » Closed book
- » The pass mark is 50%

The exam is taken on the afternoon of Day 2 of the Practitioner course.

The MSP Practitioner qualification is valid for five years. You need to re-sit an additional re-registration exam within three to five years of your original certification to retain your accreditation.



PeopleCert administers the MSP examination scheme. PM-Partners is an accredited partner of PeopleCert (Partner ID: 3800).