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## Why a PMP®?

### What is a PMP?

PMI's PMP® credential is considered by many as the “gold standard” of global project management certification. This credential, which is ISO 9001: 2000 compliant, connotes the holder as one who has demonstrated the knowledge, experience and leadership skills required to competently practice project management.

### What is a Credential?

“The Project Management Institute (PMI®) is the world’s leading association for the project management profession. It administers a globally recognized, rigorous, education, and/or professional experience and examination-based professional credentialing program that maintain ISO 9001 certification in Quality Management Systems. The PMP credential process also maintains ISO 17024 accreditation. This distinction benefits PMP credential holders in several ways:

1. It elevates the status of PMP credential holders on projects, within organizations and within the global project management community
2. It allows organizations that employ PMP credential holders to reference the ISO 17024 certification as a qualifier for the competence and capability of their employees
3. It assures those professionals considering the PMP credential that PMI's certification system is recognized in the global business community meaning you will be recognized anywhere in the world.

Earning a professional credential through PMI means that one has:

- Demonstrated the appropriate education and/or professional experience;
- Passed a rigorous examination;
- Agreed to abide by a professional code of conduct;
- Committed to maintaining their active credential through meeting continuing certification requirements ensuring that you are up to date on Project Management best practices world-wide.

PMI professional credentials — available to members of the Institute and nonmembers alike — are widely recognized and accepted throughout the world as evidence of a proven level of education, knowledge and experience in project management.” [www.pmi.org](http://www.pmi.org)

### Why Now?

One-fifth of the world’s GDP (\$12 trillion) is spent on projects. Combine that with the findings of the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM): 64% of organizations would be impacted in a major way by PMP practitioners leaving or scheduled to leave due to retirement. Also, the U.S. government requires PMP certification for some types of government contracts. During 2005, PMI experienced an extraordinary increase in the number of practitioners taking the PMP examination, resulting in 86,925 PMPs being certified during that 12-month period. As of June 2014, there are more than 460,000 PMPs who have received the credential world-wide. There is great demand for the PMP certification because it offers a competitive advantage.

## What are the benefits?

Not only does having the PMP designation prove you are a top project management professional, it also means that you are **certified** in the world's best practices in project management. By being certified in these best practices, you can determine how to improve project management at your organization, so projects can be on time, at/under budget, and to specifications. Additionally, you will be better equipped to satisfy customers, meet quality expectations, and deal with risk. Some companies are using PMP certification (much like a college degree) as a way to screen applicants in their hiring process. The [2012 PMI Pulse of the Profession study](#) found that organizations with more than 35% PMP certified project managers had better project performance. And according to a 2007 PricewaterhouseCoopers survey, 80% of high-performing projects use a credentialed project manager. Make sure you're one of them by earning a PMI certification.

## How do you earn your credential?

“To be eligible for a PMP® or CAPM® Credential, you must first meet specific educational and/or project management experience requirements and agree to adhere to a code of professional conduct. The final step in gaining your credential is a rigorous multiple-choice examination designed to objectively assess your project management knowledge. The PMP examination utilizes scenario or application-based questions where practitioners are asked to apply their knowledge to specific situations.”

<http://www.pmi.org/Certification/Project-Management-Professional-PMP.aspx>

## How can Ready2ACT help?

We provide the educational component of the requirements that you need to apply for the exam plus the know-how to use what you learn at work. Even if you already have 35 hours of project management education, we provide you with concrete tools that are not only directly applicable to your work environment, but also are useful for passing the PMP exam. You'll learn Project Management best practices by applying them to your real-life projects during class! This gives you actual practice on your own projects, so you understand how PMI tools and techniques apply to your work environment, which requires less memorization than boot-camp classes. In every PMP Preparation course, participants learn:

1. Project management overview
2. Project integration management
3. Project scope management
4. Project time management
5. Project cost management
6. Project quality management
7. Project human resource management
8. Project communication management
9. Project risk management
10. Project procurement management
11. Stakeholder management
12. Professional responsibility

Our instructors are PMP certified, have college teaching experience, and possess real-life work experience to enrich your learning and practical application of project management concepts and tools.

## How do I find out more?

At Ready2ACT, we can customize a project management course or program of courses to meet your organization's unique needs or deliver PMP Preparation courses on site.

[Contact us](#) for a free, no obligation consultation or call us at (720) 373-2601 to find out how Ready2ACT can help you **save time and money by improving your projects, processes, and people.**