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# **Course Description: Project Management**

## 1 – Basic Information

Course Name	Project Management		
Course ID	PRM.34		
<b>Contact Hours (Synchronized Sessions)</b>	28		
Contact Hours with the tutor outside the	17		
Synchronized Sessions	17		
<b>Contact Hours (Registered Sessions)</b>			
Exam	130		
<b>Registered Sessions Work Load</b>	150		
Synchronized Session Work Load			
Credit Hours	7		
Course Level	7		

## 2-Pre-Requisites

Course	ID
Operations Management	OM.105
Financial Management	FM.107

## **3- Course General Objectives**

Project management theory, terms and concepts are introduced in this course. Students will discover the project life cycle and learn how to build a successful project from pre-implementation to completion. It will introduce project management topics such as resources, costs, time constraints and project scopes.

The goal of the Project Management program is to prepare students to be able to have the necessary knowledge and skills to plan, organize, staff, lead and exercise control in the directing and coordinating of resources to achieve project objectives. Therefore, the objective of the course is to produce graduates who have managerial skills to plan and direct projects.



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## 4-Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

Code	Intended Learning Outcomes
ILO1	Recognizing the importance of project management in the global economy
ILO2	Identify the concept of the and the project management
ILO3	Identify the knowledge areas in project management
ILO4	Identify the project life cycle
ILO5	Identify the project definition mechanism and how to build the work breakdown structure
ILO6	Understand the planning and scheduling of projects and practice the design of the project network
ILO7	Understand project resource planning, cost estimating, and budgeting
ILO8	Identify the mechanism of monitoring and controlling of the project and understanding the different variances and performance indicators used in Earned Value Analysis method
ILO9	Understand the concept of risk and how to predict risks and how to plan to avoid them or to manage them when occurred
ILO10	Identify the types of project organizational structures and how the appropriate structure of the project is designed
ILO11	Learn how to form and manage the project team
ILO12	Learn how to close up the project

# **5-Course Syllabus**

### (21 hours of total Recorded Sessions, 28 hours of total synchronized sessions)

• RS: Recorded Sessions; SS: Synchronized Sessions;

ILO	Course Syllabus	RS	SS	Туре	<b>Additional Notes</b>
ILO1 ILO2 ILO3	<ul> <li>Introduction to Project Management         <ul> <li>Definition of the project</li> <li>Factors of success and failure of projects</li> <li>Definition of project management</li> <li>History of project management science</li> <li>Project management profession</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	_	_	<ul> <li>Exercises</li> <li>Assignments</li> <li>Seminars</li> <li>Projects</li> <li>Practices</li> <li>Others</li> </ul>	Mini-project
ILO3 ILO4	<ul> <li>Project life cycle</li> <li>Project definition</li> <li>Project planning</li> </ul>	_	_	<ul> <li>Exercises</li> <li>Assignments</li> <li>Seminars</li> </ul>	Mini-project



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#### **Project executing Projects** 0 Project monitoring and controlling 0 Practices Project closing 0 $\square$ Others Project management systems 0 Exercises **Project definition** • Assignments Project scope definition 0 Seminars ILO5 **Project** priorities Mini-project 0 **Projects** Work breakdown structure 0 Practices **Project Information System** 0 $\square$ Others Project time planning • Planning concept 0 Work breakdown structure 0 Exercises $\square$ Milestones 0 □ Assignments 0 Activities □ Seminars ILO6 \_ Mini-project Relations between activities 0 □ **Projects** Estimate time 0 □ Practices 0 Estimate resources □ Others Project network 0 Critical path method 0 0 Gantt Chart **Project resources planning** ٠ Exercises Estimate resources 0 □ Assignments Resource graph 0 **Resource** levelling □ Seminars 0 \_ ILO7 Mini-project Resource levelling with time □ **Projects** 0 constraints Practices Resource levelling with resource □ Others 0 constraints Exercises **Project cost management** • □ Assignments Resource planning 0 □ Seminars ILO8 Cost estimation \_ Mini-project 0 □ **Projects** Budgeting 0 □ Practices Cost control 0 $\Box$ Others **Exercises Project monitoring and** • $\square$ Assignments controlling • Project monitoring □ Seminars **ILO8** Mini-project Project control 0 **Projects** Earned value analysis Practices 0 Time variances and performance 0 Others



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#### indicators Cost variances and performance 0 indicators • **Organizational structures of** Exercises projects Assignments $\square$ • Organizational structure □ Seminars **ILO10** Functional organizational structure Mini-project 0 **Projects** Projectized organizational 0 Practices structure of projects Others • Matrix organizational structure Exercises Project risk management • The concept of risk $\square$ Assignments 0 Identification of risks Seminars 0 ILO9 Mini-project **Risk** assessment **Projects** 0 Risk response plan Practices 0 $\square$ 0 **Risk control** Others **Project human resources** • management Exercises Stakeholders Management 0 Assignments Formation of the team 0 Communication management □ Seminars 0 **IL011** Mini-project Conflict management and **Projects** 0 resolution $\square$ Practices Negotiation 0 Others 0 Performance assessment and motivation Exercises Termination of the project • Assignments Project completion activities 0 Seminars **ILO12** Project closure styles Mini-project 0 **Projects** Evaluation of the project 0 Practices Lessons learned 0 Others



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6-Assessment Criteria (Related to ILOs)

	ISC	Interactive Synchronized Collaboration			Ex	Exar	ns	Rp	t Repor	ts
			PW							
т	0		Intended Results		Assessment Type					
	ode	ILO			ISC	PW	Ex	PF2F	Rpt	
IL	01	Recognizing the importance of project management in the global economy	-	_		Х	Х	х	х	х
IL	02	Identify the concept of the and the project management	-	_		х	х	x	x	х
IL	03	Identify the knowledge areas in project management		_		Х	Х	х	х	х
IL	<b>O4</b>	Identify the project life cycle	-	_		Х	Х	х	x	х
IL	05	Identify the project definition mechanism and how to build the work breakdown structure		_		х	x	x	x	х
IL	06	Understand the planning and scheduling of projects and practice the design of the project network	_		Х	х	x	x	х	
IL	07	Understand project resource planning, cost estimating, and budgeting	_		х	х	х	х	х	
IL	08	Identify the mechanism of monitoring and controlling of the project and understanding the different variances and performance indicators used in Earned Value Analysis method				X	X	X	X	x
IL	09	Understand the concept of risk and how to predict risks and how to plan to avoid them or to manage them when occurred	-	_		X	X	x	x	х
ILO	<b>D10</b>	Identify the types of project organizational structures and how the appropriate structure of the project is designed		_		Х	х	x	x	х
ILO	D11	Learn how to form and manage the project team		_		Х	х	х	х	х
IL(	<b>D12</b>	Learn how to close up the project		_		Х	Х	х	x	Х



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## 7-Practice Tools

Tool Name	Description
Microsoft Project	A software for planning and controlling projects

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