

Management - Project Management



Project management is the application of knowledge, skills, tools, and techniques to to meet project requirements: on-time, on-budget and meeting the requisite quality.

The roots of project management can be traced back to the creation of the Egyptian pyramids. Nowadays, many different industries use project management tools and techniques, which continue to be refined to further adapt to rapidly changing environments.

Project managers are organized, passionate, and goal oriented who understand what projects have in common and their strategic role in how organizations succeed, learn and change. Some of the characteristics that make individuals successful in these roles are planning, attention to detail, coordinating with others, making decision and solving problems.

Source: PMI website, O*Net—Project Manager

Average Salary & Trajectory*

Entry-Level

\$76,000 annually

- Project Coordinator
- Assistant Project Manager
- Project Scheduler

Mid-Level

\$122,000 annually

- Sr. Project Manager
- Project Management Specialist
- Project Management Consultant
- Project Manager

Senior-Level

\$173,000 annually

- Director of Project Management
- Senior Director of Special Projects
- Project Portfolio Manager

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Refer to the sample job titles listed in the "O*Net Keywords" section below

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O*Net Keywords:

- Project Manager
- Project
- IT Project
- Program

Roles:

- IT Project Manager
- Senior Project Manager
- Technical Project Manager

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Skills/Experience Suggested:

- Knowledge and understanding of project management basics
- Interpersonal and leadership skills
- Effective communication
- Change management
- Critical and strategic thinking
- Organizational skills
- Time management
- Negotiation Strategies

Advanced Degrees:

- Master of Project Management
- MBA in Project Management
- Master of Science in IT Project

Professional Certifications:

- Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM)
- Project Management Professionals (PMP)
- Program Management Professional PgMP)
- Portfolio Management Professional (PfMP)

Professional Associations:

- Project Management Institute (PMI) - Orange County Chapter, Los Angeles Chapter, and San Diego Chapter
- International Project Management Association (IPMA) – United States of America Chapter
- Association for Operations and Supply Chain Management (AOSM)

Industry Research & Tools:

- PMI.org
- Pmworldjournal.net
- Firsthand.co — accessible through your Student Portal

Job & Internship Search Sites:

- Simplyhired.com
- Indeed.com
- Fullerton.joinhandshake.com
- LinkedIn.com
- Firsthand.co —through your Student Portal
- Titan Connection—accessible through your Student Portal

Employers Hiring CSUF Business Graduates:

