Professional Certificate in Project Management

About the Program
UC San Diego Extension's Professional Certificate in Project Management provides professionals with a practical, hands-on approach to gaining the knowledge and skills necessary to plan, execute and complete complex projects within various types of organizations and industries. Based on the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK) developed by the Project Management Institute (PMI), the curriculum includes an in-depth study of the elements essential to initiate, execute and complete successful projects, including the development of interpersonal skills critical to completing work in a team environment. Examine how the principles of project management apply to specific industries, strengthen your interpersonal skills to prevent or handle all types of conflicts or situations, and learn the nuances of management from a global perspective. To conclude your learning, you will have the opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills learned through a comprehensive hands-on simulation experience.

Certificate Guidelines
The program consists of at least 26 units, including 6 required classes (17 units), and at least 9 elective units. Project Management Essentials or Project Management Boot Camp is required to advance to other project management courses.

Please visit the area of study webpage at extension.ucsd.edu/pm to view the required elective courses.

Project Management courses vary in length. Most required and elective courses run 6 to 11 weeks. Classes typically meet one evening per week for a 3-hour session. Students can expect to spend 7 to 10 hours per week outside of the classroom. Class size usually ranges from 10 to 30 students.

Certificate Cost
Approximate cost for the total program is $6300.00 excluding textbooks. Total cost of program varies depending on choice of elective courses. Prices are subject to change.

Certificate Duration
The Project Management program can be completed in approximately 2 years, taking one course each quarter. Students may take up to 5 years to complete the program if needed. If students require additional time beyond 5 years, they should contact the program representative to petition for a waiver.

Transferring Prior Coursework
Up to 2 courses taken in the past 5 years from an accredited university may be transferred toward a UCSD Extension Professional Certificate. Courses should be equivalent in subject matter and hours of instruction. Please see “UCSD Extension Certificate Programs” in our catalog for further requirements regarding transferring courses. To request transfer approval, please contact ProjMgtProgram@ucsd.edu and provide a copy of your transcript, course description and the name of the equivalent UCSD Extension course.

Enrolling in the Certificate
There are no requirements to enroll in the certificate program other than a $60 fee.

Although there is no deadline to enroll in the certificate program, it is in your best interest to enroll early. Students are grandfathered into the current certificate program when they enroll. If the program changes in the future, you will have the choice of staying with the program that you originally enrolled in or continuing with the new certificate requirements. By enrolling in the certificate program, you will also receive direct communication from the Program Representative about any certificate changes.

Transferring Courses to Other Programs
Upon completion of the Professional Certificate in Project Management, twelve (12) units can be transferred into the University of Wisconsin, Platteville, M.S. in Project Management (degree offered fully online).

If you are considering applying UC San Diego Extension courses towards a degree at another university, please consult with the university that you plan to attend. Transfer policies vary, so please consult with an academic advisor at your potential university.
Receive Program Information by Email
To receive project management program emails visit http://extension.ucsd.edu/signup. Enter your personal information then click on “Business”, then check the box for “All Topics: Business” and any other areas that may be of interest to you. Program emails are sent approximately 6 – 8 times per year.

Student Services
Our staff values each one of our students and we are here to offer you personalized, friendly service. If you want to enroll in a course, request a transcript, ask about financial assistance or simply need driving directions – our staff is here to help. Contact us at (858) 534-3400, unex-reg@ucsd.edu, or stop by one of our locations. For more information on Student Services, visit extension.ucsd.edu/student.

Information
For additional information, please contact Angela Cook, Program Representative, at ProjMgtProgram@ucsd.edu or (858) 534-8133.

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