



# A Guide to our Project Management Courses and Certification

Project Management Skills & Certification

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# Our Project Management Courses

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Project Management is one of the most important skills in today's global economy.

Our suite of predictive and adaptive project management courses will equip you with professional project management skills and recognised, relevant certifications and credentials to help you stand out to potential employers.

Our project management courses are your key to becoming a certified project manager. We have courses and qualifications to enhance your credibility at every level of your career.

We have designed this guide to provide you with tips for getting started and to give you an overview of each course. You'll also find links and resources that lead you to more information on each course.



## Guidance on the Right Course for You

For greater clarity and the benefit of experience, why not get in touch with our project management training team?

We'll chat with you about your background and goals to find the right fit for your project management training and certification.

You can call our team at [Freephone 1800 910 810](tel:1800910810) or Dublin 01 861 0700 during office hours. Alternatively, use the "Which Course for Me?" button below to ask us online.

**Which Course for Me?**



## What Are The Benefits?

To help you decide whether a project management qualification is the right choice for your career, we have listed our top 5 project management certification benefits on the next page...

# Project Management Certification

## | Do you need project management certification?

There are many project managers carrying out the role informally, with no training or certification to back them up. While this can get you by for some time, it's not a great plan in the long-term.

If you haven't completed formal training and certification, you won't have the support or structure that these two elements bring.

Without a reliable framework and trusted project management techniques, you can expect:

- ✓ projects that exceed both budget and schedule.
- ✓ projects that don't quite achieve their aims.
- ✓ a higher level of stress and uncertainty when running a project.
- ✓ difficulty planning your project.
- ✓ communication problems with teams and key stakeholders.

# 5 Benefits of Project Management Certification

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## 1. Flexible Skills = Flexible Ability

Our certified project management courses teach skills and methodologies that can be adapted to projects in every sector.

This gives your project management skills greater versatility and helps put your career on the map.



## 2. Achieve More

By utilising tried-and-trusted frameworks developed by international certifying bodies, such as the Project Management Institute, Inc. (PMI)®, you will achieve more consistent results from your project work.



## 3. Gain Respect and Credibility

Achieving a recognised and respected project management certification advertises your level of skill and competency to potential employers and clients.

It also underlines your capability and dedication to quality.



## 4. Longevity and Progression

Any thriving career is supported by continuous professional and personal development.

Expanding your knowledge and skillset through different project management certification paths enables this progression.



## 5. Increased Earning Potential

Certified project managers consistently earn more than non-certified project managers.

You can read more about the kind of salary that certified Irish project managers can expect in our article, [Project Manager Salaries in Ireland](#).

# 3 Project Management Certification FAQs

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## What qualifications do you need to become a project manager?

If you are at the beginning of, or thinking about a career in project management, you may have noticed just how many different certifications are available.

There is no definitive qualification you need in order to become a project manager.

It is about choosing the right project management certification for your career and your current goals.

If you plan to work in a particular sector or organisation, we recommend that you look into the certifications that are popular, or perhaps even mandatory where you want to work.



## What is the best project management certification?

Again, there is no definitive answer to this question.

The project management qualification you choose should match the kind of projects you work with (or would like to work with) and your project management career goals.

The best project managers continually upskill and expand their capabilities with new training and certification.

The most important thing is to get started. Choose a certification that fits your current interests and goals. Keep applying this formula every time you're ready to learn more.



## How Long Does it take to get a Project Management Certification?

The timeline will vary depending on the training and project management qualification you choose.

Our project management courses follow a streamlined, 3-step process:

1. Attend Training
2. Study or Assessment Work
3. Exam or Assessment Submission

We include details on the steps required to achieve certification and how long it usually takes to get certified in every project management course brochure. You can download a brochure for any course on its page within this guide.





# Predictive or Adaptive Project Management?

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Deciding on the right approach for managing your project is a very important factor in its success.

There are so many different methodologies available, each with merits and drawbacks.

With the popularisation of Agile, one of the most frequent questions of recent years is whether to use an adaptive (Agile, Scrum etc.) approach or a more predictive (also called “conventional” or “traditional”) method of project management.

You can learn more about finding the right style for your project in our article, [“Predictive or Adaptive Project Management?”](#).

Most successful project managers need to gain competencies in a range of methods so they can appropriately tailor their approach to a project. We offer training and certification in both styles.

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# Getting Started: Tips on Choosing the Right Course

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Start with your needs. Before you type anything into Google, take a moment to evaluate why you are thinking about training.

What prompted your need for project management training?  
Ask yourself “what do I need to gain from this course?”.

Don’t over-complicate the answers, simply note down whatever pops into your mind when you ask that question. Write down several factors that come to your attention as you think.

We’ve listed some of the most common answers we receive when we ask “What do you hope to gain from a project management course?” on the right-hand side of this page.

You may identify with one or more of these statements, or have other goals we haven’t mentioned. Either way, you now have your starting point for finding your best project management course.

## What do you hope to gain from a project management course?

- ✔ “Practical project management skills.”
- ✔ “A structured approach to managing projects.”
- ✔ “A respected certification.”
- ✔ “Reliable tools and techniques I can use for any projects.”
- ✔ “To expand my project management capabilities.”
- ✔ “To learn a new project management technique.”
- ✔ “To underline my experience with a respected, advanced certification.”
- ✔ “I have no experience. I need to start from the beginning.”
- ✔ “To keep my project management skills current and relevant.”
- ✔ “I want to train my team in project management skills.”



# Our Solutions for Your Project Management Goals

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Our most popular project management courses are designed to meet these goals.

You will find an overview of each course on the following pages, with links to download a brochure, get upcoming dates, and visit the webpage.

Click on any course to jump to its page:

- Project Management Professional (PMP)<sup>®</sup> - [page 10](#)
- PRINCE2 Foundation & Practitioner - [page 11](#)
- QQI Certified Project Management - [page 12](#)
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Unsure where to begin?  
**We can help.**

You can get in touch with our team by calling us at Freephone 1800 910 810 or using the “Which Course?” button below.

**Which Course?**

# Project Management Professional (PMP)®

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## PMI® for Experienced Project Managers

Our PMP® courses are exam preparation solutions, geared towards helping you to pass your PMP® exam first time.

The focused, effective method we use for our Project Management Professional (PMP)® Exam Preparation Course has contributed to our reputation as one of Ireland's leading providers of PMP® project management training with exceptional success.



**Download our PDF PMP® Exam Preparation Course brochure instantly**

For a full course outline and steps to get started, download our PDF PMP® Course brochure using the button below.

**Download PDF Brochure**

## Quick Facts About our PMP® Course

- ✓ **Duration:** 5 days      ✓ **Format:** Online (live virtual)
- ✓ **Experience Needed:** Yes. You can read the eligibility requirements by [downloading our PDF brochure](#) or visiting the webpage.
- ✓ **Credential:** PMI® Project Management Professional (PMP)®

## What You'll Gain

- **Exam Simulator:** Our PMP® courses include 90 days of unlimited access to our online PMP® Exam Simulator.
- **Guidance from Experts:** Our trainers have extensive experience and are PMP® credential holders.
- **Materials Included:** We provide templates and sample questions you'll need for PMP® exam preparation.

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# PRINCE2 Foundation & Practitioner

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## Achieve PRINCE2 Knowledge & Certification

This PRINCE2 Course is intensive exam preparation that will prepare you to sit both the Foundation and Practitioner exams.

Our goal is that you will understand the processes, roles, principles, and themes of the PRINCE2 framework, and feel confident that you can pass your exams first time.

You can also opt to attend [PRINCE2 Foundation](#) and [PRINCE2 Practitioner](#) as standalone courses.



**Download our PDF PRINCE2 Foundation & Practitioner Course brochure instantly**

For a full course outline, and steps to get started, download our PDF PRINCE2 Course brochure by using the button below.

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## Quick Facts About our PRINCE2 Courses

- ✓ **Duration:** 5 days
- ✓ **Format:** Online (live virtual)
- ✓ **Experience Needed:** No experience needed.
- ✓ **Credential:** PRINCE2 Foundation and Practitioner

## What You'll Gain

- **Two Certifications:** Achieve both PRINCE2 Foundation and PRINCE2 Practitioner Certifications.
- **PRINCE2 Experts:** Our PRINCE2 certified trainers have plenty of experience delivering this course successfully.
- **Inclusive:** Our PRINCE2 course price includes training, exams, and certification.

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# QQI Certified Project Management

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## Practical Project Management & Certification

This Certified Project Management Course is for anyone who wants to gain practical project management skills that will be effective in any situation.

It also leads to a QQI Level 6 Certification in Project Management. No previous experience is required for this project management course, making it ideal for anyone who wants to build a strong foundation in project management skills.



[Download our PDF QQI Certified Project Management Course brochure instantly](#)

For a full course outline and steps to get started, download our PDF brochure by using the button below.

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## Quick Facts About This Course

- ✓ **Duration:** 4 days
- ✓ **Format:** Online (live virtual)
- ✓ **Experience Needed:** No experience needed.
- ✓ **Credential:** QQI Level 6 in Project Management (award code: 6N4090)

## What You'll Gain

- **Practical Learning:** This course is very practical. You will apply the learning to a real-life or hypothetical project.
- **PMI® Standards:** This course follows methods and international standards from the PMI® framework.
- **Relevant Skills:** The project management skills you learn can be applied in any sector of business or industry.

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# Agile Foundation Course

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## An Introduction to Agile

Our Agile Foundation Course is the perfect first step in learning about Agile Project Management.

This 1-day live virtual workshop is designed to provide you with a strong, foundational understanding of how Agile works and how you can apply it to active projects.

This course is really effective when paired with any of the certified Agile and Scrum courses on the following pages.



**Download our PDF Agile Foundation Course brochure instantly**

For a full course outline and steps to get started, download our PDF brochure by using the button below.

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## Quick Facts About This Course

- ✓ **Duration:** 1 day
- ✓ **Format:** Online (live virtual)
- ✓ **Experience Needed:** No experience needed - designed for beginners.
- ✓ **Credential:** No certification - options to continue to Agile and Scrum certification.

## What You'll Gain

- **A practical, versatile Agile toolkit:** the goal is to provide participants with a solid, foundational understanding of the principles and practices of Agile project management.
- **An online classroom experience:** Learn from experienced Agile trainers.
- **Progression:** We offer several options for international certification for those who wish to continue to more in-depth Agile or Scrum training.

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# Agile Master Certified (SAMC™)

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## Detailed Agile Training & International Certification

If you're interested in a broader knowledge of Agile frameworks, rather than simply focusing on Scrum, our Agile Master Certified Course is the right option for you.

You will cover the origins and definition of Agile, domains of Agile practices, and learn about the different frameworks (methodologies) used to implement Agile. These include Scrum, KanBan, and Extreme Programming (XP).



[Download our PDF Agile Master Certified \(SAMC™\) Course brochure instantly](#)

For a full course outline and steps to get started, download our PDF brochure by using the button below.

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## What's Included?

- ✓ 180-day access to Agile Master Certified materials
- ✓ Handy mobile app - learn wherever you are
- ✓ 42 engaging training videos
- ✓ An interactive case study
- ✓ Chapter tests to cement your learning
- ✓ A progress tracker to help you stay focused
- ✓ PDF copy of the SBOK™ Guide, companion textbook to this course
- ✓ 10+ hours of introductory material with the Scrum Fundamentals Certified (SFC™) course and certification.

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# Scrum Master Certified (SMC™)

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## How to be a Scrum Master & International Certification

This is our most popular Scrum certification, most likely because Scrum Master is the best-known role within a Scrum Team.

Our Scrum Master Certified (SMC™) Course is designed to equip you with a confident knowledge and understanding of the role of Scrum Master. You'll also be able to achieve an international Scrum Master Certification (included).



**Download our PDF Scrum Master Certified (SMC™) Course brochure instantly**

For a full course outline and steps to get started, download our PDF brochure by using the button below.

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## What's Included?

- ✓ 180-day unlimited access to the online Scrum Master Certified (SMC™) materials
- ✓ 26 high-calibre training videos
- ✓ Chapter tests, an interactive case study, and a progress tracker to help you stay focused and test your knowledge
- ✓ A PDF copy of A Guide to the Scrum Body of Knowledge (SBOK™ Guide) textbook
- ✓ Scrum Master Certified (SMC™) online exam and certification
- ✓ You'll also gain access to over 10 hours of introductory material through Scrum Fundamentals Certified (SFC™). This introductory course and certification is included with all of our online Agile and Scrum training.

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# Scrum Product Owner Certified (SPOC™)

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## How to be a Scrum Product Owner & International Certification

Scrum Product Owner is a role with a parallel in conventional project management approaches. This online course will teach you how to translate the role of “product owner” into a Scrum environment or mindset.

You don't need any previous experience as a product owner for this training. It's suitable for anyone with an interest in learning this skill-set.



**Download our PDF Scrum Product Owner Certified (SPOC™) Course brochure instantly**

For a full course outline and steps to get started, download our PDF brochure by using the button below.

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## What's Included?

- ✓ 180 days of unlimited online learning access to our user-friendly platform
- ✓ 31 quality training videos, guiding you through the Scrum Product Owner syllabus
- ✓ An interactive, real-life case study to progress your knowledge
- ✓ Chapter tests and a progress tracker
- ✓ A PDF copy of the SBOK™ Guide (A Guide to the Scrum Body of Knowledge), an essential companion to the SPOC™ syllabus.
- ✓ Scrum Product Owner Certified (SPOC™) online exam and certification
- ✓ Access to Scrum Fundamentals Certified (SFC™). This extra online training provides 10+ hours of introductory Scrum training materials. It is a great introduction or refresher on Scrum principles and values.

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# Scrum Developer Certified (SDC™)

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## Training and Certification for Scrum Team Members

We recommend Scrum Developer Certified for anyone who is a project team member in a Scrum environment. “Scrum developer” is a term that refers to anyone who works on the project (aside from the Scrum Master or Scrum Product Owner).

This is a great place to begin if you want to get a feel for Scrum and how it works.



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Course brochure instantly**

For a full course outline and steps to get started, download our PDF brochure by using the button below.

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## What's Included?

- ✓ 180 days of unlimited online learning access to our user-friendly platform
- ✓ 75 quality training videos, guiding you through the Scrum Developer syllabus
- ✓ An interactive, real-life case study to progress your knowledge
- ✓ Chapter tests and a progress tracker
- ✓ A PDF copy of the SBOK™ Guide (A Guide to the Scrum Body of Knowledge), an essential companion to the SDC™ syllabus.
- ✓ Online Scrum Developer Certified (SDC™) exam & Certificate
- ✓ You'll gain access to Scrum Fundamentals Certified (SFC™). This extra online training provides more than 10 hours of introductory Scrum training materials. It serves as a great foundational introduction or refresher on the principles and values of Scrum.

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# Customised Project Management Training for Teams

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Effective project management can make or break a business.

This crucial skill set is important in every organisation and sector across the globe.

By choosing in-company training (also known as “in-house” and “on-site” training), you will gain the advantage of flexible training dates, customised course content, and the opportunity to train your team in a consistent skill-set.

All of our project management courses are available as in-company training, with some extra options that are not available for public courses. [view all courses](#)

For a full consultation on what will have the most impact for your business, get in touch with our Director of Training. You can call us at **Freephone 1800 910 810** or click the button to **Get a Quote**.

**Get a Quote**

## Why In-Company?

- ✓ **Consistency** - When your team attends in-company training, you begin creating a consistent level of project management skills and practice throughout your organisation.
- ✓ **Tailored for Your Team** - We can take your business and any challenges you are facing into account when delivering the course. We will make the training delivery as relevant as possible to your team’s work.
- ✓ **You Choose the Delivery Style** - We can deliver this training as an in-person, classroom style course (where we come to your location), or by live, virtual classroom training online.
- ✓ **Flexibility** - In-company training gives you the ability to schedule training at a time that works best for your business. It removes the inconvenience of having to take someone out of their role for training at a busy time.



## 3 Ways to Get in Touch

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### Talk to Us

You can reach us by phone on Freephone 1800 910 810, or 01 861 0700 (mon - thurs, 9.00am - 5.30pm, fri, 9.00am - 5.00pm).

We can answer any questions, advise on the best option for your project management training, provide a quote for your team, or get you set up for virtual training.

**Freephone 1800 910 810**



### Ask a Question

If you would prefer to contact us online, request a phone call, or to get in touch outside of office hours, using the “Ask A Question” button below is the best option.

We will respond with the information you need.

**Ask A Question**



### Get a Quote

Use the “Get a Quote” button below to request a customised quotation for in-company project management training in your organisation.

We will be in touch with a detailed quotation fitting your team’s requirements.

**Get a Quote**

# About Us

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## Professional Development - 30+ Years of Innovation and Excellence

We believe that the key to a thriving and rewarding career is continuous professional development.

For over 30 years, Professional Development has led the way in providing practical, innovative courses leading to relevant and respected certifications.

We specialise in delivering training for core business skills including project management, agile, scrum, lean six sigma, management, communications, sales, and training design and delivery skills.

Our courses are designed to expand your skills, & enhance your career potential

## Stay Connected

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### Our Courses

Our courses are a balanced blend of both theoretical learning and practical application. This focused learning environment optimises the impact of training.



### Our Team

Our trainers are chosen for their engaging manner and expertise in a chosen field. They bring a wealth of experience to each programme they deliver.



### Our Clients

We provide training for Ireland's leading brands, working with companies of all sizes in every industry. We also provide training for non-corporate organisations.



### Our Certifications

In many sectors, international certification is now essential. We provide many options for globally recognised certification in each subject area.

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