

Project Management for Biomedical Device Development Frequently Asked Questions

What are micro-credentials?

Micro-credentials recognize stand-alone, short duration learning experiences that are competency-based, align with industry, employer, community and/or Indigenous community needs and can be assessed and recognized for employment or learning purposes. (Source: *Micro-credential Framework for BC's Public Post-Secondary Education System, BC Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training, September 2021*)

Who attends?

This program is open to anyone seeking to develop additional skills and competencies to access good jobs and to fully participate in economic recovery. You do not need to be a current student at UVic or UBC to take this micro-credential. Information for international learners can be found [here](#).

Do I need a background in biomedical engineering or biomedical device development to take this program?

The micro-credential is open to learners without an engineering degree and who may not have device experience. Any individual with an interest in project management and that has some background in health can apply.

Feel free to [contact us](#) to discuss whether the micro-credential is a good fit for you!

What certifications or designations will this help me achieve?

Attendees can use this course to help them achieve certifications offered by the Project Management Institute (PMI®). The most common are the PMP® and CAPM® Certifications.

In order to be deemed eligible to challenge the PMP® exam you must have either:

- A four-year degree
- 36 months leading projects
- 35 hours of project management education/training or CAPM® Certification



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— OR —

- A high school diploma or an associate's degree (or global equivalent)
- 60 months leading projects
- 35 hours of project management education/training or CAPM® Certification

The CAPM has less requirements than other project management designations, because it is an entry-level certification. You can apply with either 1,500 hours of project management experience or 23 hours of project management education. You also need a secondary degree (high school diploma) or higher to qualify.

The hours accrued in this micro-credential qualify for the 23 (EU) hour training requirement for CAPM and/or 35 (EU) hour training requirement for PMP certifications, respectively.

How many PDUs can I claim?

For those of you planning on challenging PMI's CAPM® or PMP® designations, 1 PDU is equivalent to 1 course hour. Current PMI credential holders can claim these accrued hours via PMI's Continuing education stream from third-party education providers.

Will this count towards my Continuing Education (CE) hours?

Yes. Per Engineering and Geoscientists of BC (EGBC)'s [Guide](#) to the Continuing Education Program (CEP):

“One CE Hour is one hour of learning that contributes to maintaining Registrants’ Competency in their area(s) of practice. Competency is defined as the ability to perform the tasks and roles of an occupational category to the recognized standard expected of a qualified and prudent professional operating in the community. Areas of practice are current and anticipated future areas of professional responsibility.

... it is the responsibility of Registrants to determine which continuing education activities are most relevant to their specific circumstances, and only claim credit for activities that contribute to the maintenance of Competency.”



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Program Details

Program fee

The cost to take this short program is \$2,000.

This program is eligible for the [StrongerBC Future Skills Grant](#). Interested learners who meet [eligibility criteria](#) should let us know at the time of registration if you want to use this grant.

Employers may be eligible for the [BC Employer Training Grant](#). The grant provides funding to small, medium and large enterprises to support skills training for their workforce, including prospective new hires.

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Program length and class schedule

The program has over 35 hours of combined live online classes and additional asynchronous material. The class will meet every Thursday from 10:00 – 12:00 noon Pacific Time via Zoom. Learners will receive Zoom details by e-mail.

The next offering will be in September 2023, start date TBC. Subscribe to our [mailing list](#) to get notified when registration opens.

Delivery mode

This micro-credential will be offered online synchronously, with asynchronous modules that learners can engage in outside of scheduled classes. Assessment will take place in a structured case-study and learners are expected to participate in meetings with mentors to discuss their work.

Required Text/s

PMI's PMBOK Guide - Version 6 *and/or* 7

(Additional books/resources specific to biomedical engineering or biomedical devices may need to be added)

Instructors

Our instructors have the knowledge, charisma, and communication skills needed to provide a world class training experience.



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The project management instructor is an active PMP credential holder with 20+ years' experience managing projects. They are also a skilled executive educator who effectively presents course material in a dynamic and engaging fashion.

International Learners

International learners may be admitted into the program if space permits.

Admission into and participation in the program is **not** a pathway to any immigration document for entry into Canada. The sessions are available virtually and international learners are not required to be on-campus. We do not provide acceptance letters that may be used to secure study permits.

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