REAL IT PROJECT MANAGEMENT FOR THE REAL WORLD

Bellevue University is excited to offer various project management courses and program offerings. We are designated by the Project Management Institute (PMI®) as a “Global Registered Educational Provider (R.E.P)”. A R.E.P is an organization approved by PMI® to issue Professional Development Units (PDUs) for courses. To become an R.E.P., an organization must meet certain criteria including qualified instructors, course content and delivery, and demonstrate evidence of the company’s adherence to the PMI® standards. Bellevue University has developed several project management programs to fit the needs of various individuals. The programs were designed for students who are interested in a professional career in project management and project managers interested in enhancing the ongoing professional development of their skills. Upon completion of the courses, students will be better equipped to handle the many challenges of managing various types of project management, particularly Information Technology projects and will also be eligible for Professional Development Units (PDUs) or Continuing Education Units (CEUs) from the Project Management Institute.

The Information Technology (IT) Project Management Program at Bellevue University is unique from other programs in project management:

- The courses were designed using PMI®’s guidelines and standards for course development. The courses also incorporate real world skills and knowledge necessary to succeed in a career in project management.
- The programs were designed in response to input from customers, evaluation of other college level programs, the Project Management Institute’s “Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide), literature reviews, input from professional project managers, and Bellevue University's experienced faculty.
- Our student population comes from across the nation; our classrooms bring together diverse educations, backgrounds, and experiences, which contribute, to meaningful classroom discussions and team projects.
- Our faculty bring extensive real-world experience to the classroom and is devoted to teaching excellence, working with students, and continually enhancing the course offerings.

The IT Project Management Program offers many educational opportunities in Project Management:

- Concentration in Project Management for Graduate students majoring in Management of Information Systems
- Graduate Certificate in IT Project Management
- Professional Development and Certification Preparation
- Emphasis in IT Project Management for undergraduate students

For degree seeing students, we offer an IT Project Management Concentration for graduate students. For those students not interested in a degree, we offer an IT Project Management Certificate program. Students interested in professional development and PMP® certification can take specific courses and apply for CEU or PDU credit from PMI®.
The following IT project management courses are available:

- Information Technology Project Management (Fundamentals)
- Managing Project Risks
- Project Communications Management and Leadership
- Defining and Managing Requirements and Project Success
- Project Management in Global and Virtual Workplaces

The curriculum is designed to offer students maximum flexibility in selecting elective courses to meet their specific goals. The classes are offered both online and in the classroom. We encourage you to investigate the many Project Management learning opportunities and look forward to having you join our program. For more information, please contact Bob Gregory (bob.gregory@bellevue.edu)

**Course Descriptions**

**CIS 644 Managing Project Risks:** Provides students with effective tools for measuring and assessing project risks throughout the project lifecycle. Upon completion, students will have a better understanding of practices used to assess, manage, and mitigate risks. Emphasis is placed on conducting risk assessments with the project team and managing risks associated with project changes.

**CIS 663 Project Communications Management and Leadership:** Explores communication and leadership techniques in order to equip project managers with the skills they need to deal effectively with issues relating to resources, stakeholders, global teams, and changing technology. Students will learn how to manage conflict, create a positive team environment, run effective meetings, and manage successful projects.

**CIS 665 Defining and Managing Requirements and Project Success:** Focuses on facilitating the process of gathering requirements. Students will learn techniques for gaining cooperation from managers, customers, and stakeholders throughout the requirements process. Students will also learn how to manage changing requirements and review the most common reasons for project failure in order to assure project success.

**CIS 633 Foundations of Information Technology Project Management:** This course explores the foundations of project management as it relates to Information Technology. Emphasis is placed on the nine core knowledge areas of the “Project Management Body of Knowledge” (PMBOK® Guide). Upon completion of the course students will have a better understanding of the PMBOK® Guide and the challenges faced with managing Information technology projects.

**CIS 664 Project Management in Global and Virtual Workplaces:** This course provides a comprehensive overview of relevant topics in the area of global project management. Topics include characteristics of global and virtual workplaces, challenges and issues in global project management, methods and tools for effective global project management and managing effective virtual teams. Students will engage in a virtual group project in order to experience key aspects of project management in a way that simulates real project management in a global organization.