# **Liverpool** John Moores University

Title: MANAGING PROJECTS

Status: Definitive

Code: **6020KAPBM** (118056)

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Owning School/Faculty: Liverpool Business School Teaching School/Faculty: Kaplan Financial London

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ6 Value: 24.00 Delivered 79.00

Hours:

Total Private

Learning 240 Study: 161

**Hours:** 

**Delivery Options** 

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	52.000
Workshop	26.000

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

#### **Assessment Details**

Category	Short	Description	Weighting	Exam
	Description		(%)	Duration
Essay	Essay	Individual essay based on a project management case study, 2,500 words.	40.0	
Exam	Exam	Project management fundamentals exam (closed book, multiple choice).	20.0	1.00
Report	Report	Produce a Project Brief, Project Plan and Risk Analysis, 2,500 words.	40.0	

#### **Aims**

To equip students with the knowledge and skills to understand the relevance and

significance of project management principles in an organisational context. To enable students to demonstrate competence in the application of project management methods through the project life cycle.

### **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- LO 1 Explain the characteristics of organisation approaches to project management.
- LO 2 Evaluate the importance of effective management of the project life cycle.
- LO 3 Critically analyse the skills and competencies required of the project team and project manager.
- LO 4 Transfer detailed knowledge of the concepts of stakeholders, success criteria and critical success factors and apply systematically in the context of projects.
- LO 5 Apply methods, tools and techniques for planning, monitoring and controlling projects and for managing risk.
- LO 6 Evaluate and use computer packages in providing planning and reporting information to assist in managing projects.
- LO 7 Utilise the highly specialized knowledge of a recognized project methodology by critically appling to specific project scenarios.

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

Essay	LO	LO	LO
	1	2	3
Examination	LO 7		
Report	LO	LO	LO
	4	5	6

# **Outline Syllabus**

- 1. Introduction to project management
- 2. Planning and monitoring of projects
- 3. Project lifecycles
- 4. Understand the make-up of project teams and structures
- 5. Management of risk and stakeholders in projects
- 6. Success and Failure criteria
- 7. Recognised project methodologies
- 8. Use of project management software

#### **Learning Activities**

Lectures and workshops where group discussion is encouraged. Case studies highlighting particular project issues will be used in group discussion and structured

# References

Course Material	Book
Author	Office of Government Commerce
Publishing Year	2009
Title	Managing Successful Projects with PRINCE2(TM)
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: The Stationery Office
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Maylor, H
Publishing Year	2003
Title	Project Management
Subtitle	
Edition	3rd edition
Publisher	London: Pitman
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Meredith, J and Mantel, S
Publishing Year	2003
Title	Project Management
Subtitle	A Managerial Approach
Edition	5th edition
Publisher	New York: Wiley
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Lock, D
Publishing Year	2001
Title	The Essentials of Project Management
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Aldershot: Gower
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Turner, J
Publishing Year	2000
Title	Gower Handbook of Project Management
Subtitle	

Edition	
Publisher	Aldershot: Gower
ISBN	

#### **Notes**

The module takes a broad approach to the subject of project management. It examines the implications of using project management principles to manage all types of organisational change. It analyses methods and techniques for managing a project through its life cycle. It allows the student to combine creative thought and specialised knowledge to realistic business scenarios in which they may be unfamiliar, but still require a valid management approach within imposed constraints.