



Course Outline (Higher Education)

School: Federation Business School

Course Title: PROJECT MANAGEMENT FUNDAMENTALS

Course ID: BUPMT1501

Credit Points: 15.00

Prerequisite(s): Nil

Co-requisite(s): Nil

Exclusion(s): Nil

ASCED: 080315

Description of the Course:

This course describes the skills, knowledge and values required to develop an understanding of the project management environment. In particular, the course deals with the skills and knowledge required to determine and manage project scope, manage quality within projects whilst determining and implementing the project schedule and assessing time management outcomes.

Grade Scheme: Graded (HD, D, C, P, MF, F, XF)

Placement Component: No

Supplementary Assessment: Yes

Where supplementary assessment is available a student must have failed overall in the course but gained a final mark of 45 per cent or above and submitted all major assessment tasks.

Program Level:

Level of course in Program		AQF Level of Program					
	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Introductory			~				
Intermediate							
Advanced							

Learning Outcomes:



Knowledge:

- **K1.** Confirm project delegations and authorities in project governance arrangements
- **K2.** Identify and negotiate project boundaries with relevant stakeholders
- **K3.** Establish a shared understanding of desired project outcomes with relevant stakeholders
- **K4.** Understand the procedures for managing project baselines, establishment and variance
- **K5.** Identify best-practice time management methodologies, their capabilities, limitations, applications and outcomes
- **K6.** Understand work breakdown structures and how they apply to project schedules
- **K7.** Identify appropriate budgeting processes, tools and techniques
- **K8.** Describe strategies for reviewing and managing costs and their application in different situations against outcomes

Skills:

- **S1.** Interpret and analyse information to determine project timelines and measure outcomes against project scope
- **S2.** Collaborate with others to achieve joint outcomes, playing an active role in negotiating and facilitating agreement using clear language and appropriate non-verbal features
- **S3.** Identify, interpret and analyse textual information obtained from a range of sources
- **S4.** Draft and develop documentation required for project scheduling and reporting using appropriate formats and language
- **S5.** Monitors actions against goals, adjusting plans and resources where necessary
- **S6.** Use analytical skills to review and evaluate process and decide on future improvements
- **S7.** Use digital applications to access, organise, integrate and share relevant information in effective ways

Application of knowledge and skills:

- **A1.** Document a quality-management plan
- **A2.** Implement quality control and assurance processes for a defined project using a range of tools and methodologies
- **A3.** Develop a project schedule using project management tools and techniques
- **A4.** Conduct a review of project scheduling and recommend improvements for the future
- **A5.** Monitor costs across a project's life cycle including solving cost variations and analysing possible alternatives.

Course Content:

Topics may include:

- Developing quality metrics for the project and any product output in a quality management plan
- Selecting quality management methods and tools for resolving quality issues
- Reviewing processes and implement agreed changes continually throughout the project life cycle
- Reviewing project outcomes against performance requirements
- Estimating duration and effort, sequence and dependencies of tasks, to achieve project deliverables
- Using project scheduling tools and techniques to identify schedule impact on project time management, resource requirements, costs and risks
- Developing a cost-management plan for project finances according to scope of responsibility
- Implementing agreed financial-management processes and procedures for monitoring actual expenditure against budget



Values:

- **V1.** Drive the application of project management strategies to deliver organisational goals
- **V2.** Appreciate the role of leaders and effective teams in project success
- **V3.** Have regard to the importance of ethical, transparent, and objective processes in relation to effective project management systems.

Graduate Attributes

The Federation University Federation graduate attributes (GA) are entrenched in the <u>Higher Education Graduate</u> <u>Attributes Policy</u> (LT1228). FedUni graduates develop these graduate attributes through their engagement in explicit learning and teaching and assessment tasks that are embedded in all FedUni programs. Graduate attribute attainment typically follows an incremental development process mapped through program progression. One or more graduate attributes must be evident in the specified learning outcomes and assessment for each FedUni course, and all attributes must be directly assessed in each program

Graduate attribute and descriptor		Development and acquisition of GAs in the course		
		Learning Outcomes (KSA)	Assessment task (AT#)	
GA 1 Thinkers	Our graduates are curious, reflective and critical. Able to analyse the world in a way that generates valued insights, they are change makers seeking and creating new solutions.	K2,K5,K7,S1,S2,S3,S6,A3,A5	AT1,AT2,AT3	
GA 2 Innovators	Our graduates have ideas and are able to realise their dreams. They think and act creatively to achieve and inspire positive change.	K5,S5,S7,	AT1, AT2,AT3	
GA 3 Citizens	Our graduates engage in socially and culturally appropriate ways to advance individual, community and global well-being. They are socially and environmentally aware, acting ethically, equitably and compassionately.	N/A	N/A	
GA 4 Communicato rs	Our graduates create, exchange, impart and convey information, ideas, and concepts effectively. They are respectful, inclusive and empathetic towards their audience, and express thoughts, feelings and information in ways that help others to understand.	K2,K3,S2,S3,S4,S7	AT1, AT2,AT3	
GA 5 Leaders	Our graduates display and promote positive behaviours, and aspire to make a difference. They act with integrity, are receptive to alternatives and foster sustainable and resilient practices.	K1,K3,K4,K5,S2,S3,S5,S6,A2,A3,A5	AT1,AT2	

Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Learning Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
		Individual report/ Project/Case Study	20-30%

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A3, A4, A5	project management knowledge and skills to a project management scenario and present appropriate documentation.	Group report/ Presentation/Project	30-40%
K3, K4, K6, K7, K8, S1, S3, S6, S7, A1, A3, A5, A6	Folio of activities	Folio	30-40%

Adopted Reference Style:

APA

Refer to the <u>library website</u> for more information

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