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### **COURSES OFFERED**

Project Management Foundations You will learn the concepts and best practices of project management; the fundamentals, techniques and tools to manage a project to success.

### Planning, Scheduling and Control

You will get hands-on experience practicing skills in requirements gathering, work breakdown structure, scheduling and budgeting.

### **Identifying and Managing Risk**

You will learn the concepts and techniques to successful risk management: identify, analyze, respond and monitor.

### **Recovering Failing Projects**

You will learn to see the early signs that your project is in danger, using techniques to identify the root cause of your problems, analyze the potential solutions and select the solution that will rescue your project.

### Managing Project Requirements

You will learn to apply the concepts for effective requirements management, what makes up a good requirement, the difference between functional and non-functional requirements, and best practices for eliciting, validating and verifying requirements.

### **Building Project Relationships**

You will learn to apply principles and techniques for building strong relationships among project stakeholders, negotiating to win-win conclusions, using analytical problemsolving techniques, managing resistance to change and applying the appropriate communication style to achieve results.

### Portfolio Management

You will learn to apply concepts and techniques that will prepare individuals and the enterprise to use portfolio management as a leadership discipline to deliver organizational strategic objectives.

Contact GTA's Enterprise Project Management Office at <u>epmo@gta.ga.gov</u> Building project management competencies today; Creating leaders for the future

## State of Georgia Project Manager Certification Program

The project environment has changed and evolved over the past number of years within state government, requiring the need for an expansion of a project manager's competency base. As agency budgets tighten and our constituents demand more accountability, the need for more business-focused project management practices that align to state government becomes imperative. This requires project managers to have a broader skill set than those represented by holding the PMP® credential. Those traditional project management skills are still needed. However, the State of Georgia Project Manager Certification Program broadens those skills beyond the Project Management Professional (PMP)® credential to encompass a businessfocused project management competency with a state government focus. The curriculum, assessments, reviews and coaching have been designed to ensure a project delivers a valuable business solution that aligns to the agency's mission. If you want to broaden your competencies today to become one of the state's leaders for the future, this certification is for you. Keep reading and discover how to get involved.

PMP is a registered mark of the Project Management Institute, Inc.

Participants in the program take one of two tracks depending on whether they hold the PMP<sup>®</sup> credential.

#### Georgia Project Manager Certification Roadmap 2+ years managing State No Yes projects And PMP®? Associate Project Manager Georgia Certified Project Manager 1.PM Foundations 1. Managing Project 2.Managing Project Requirements Requirements 3.Planning, Scheduling, & Control 2. Leadership for PMs 4.Leadership for PMs 3. Scheduling w/ Microsoft 5.Identifying & Managing Risks Project 6.Scheduling w/ Microsoft Project 4. Procurement Practices for 7. Procurement Practices for PMs PMs 8.Building Project Relationships 5. Managing Organizational Change 6. Recovering Failing Projects 7. Project Governance 8. Building & Managing an Effective PMO State of Georgia State of Georgia Rate (2, Der Zoin (J. Der Georgia Technology Authority 47 Trinity Avenue

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### How the Program Works

The Enterprise Portfolio Management Office at the Georgia Technology Authority has created a Project Manager Certification Program to advance project management competencies in state government.

Participants applying to the program may enter through one of three tracks. The first track is determined by whether the applicant holds the PMP® credential. The second track is for those not holding the credential. The third track is designed for management personnel who either manage project managers or oversee projects, programs, or portfolios at a senior level in the organization. All applicants will submit a PM Competency Assessment that will be used to establish a competency baseline and assist in creating a development plan.



The applicant will then complete the required curriculum. In order to receive the Georgia Certified Project Manager designation, applicants must have managed projects for a period of at least two years within the State of Georgia, the most recent being no less than one year before applying to the program. For those applicants who are not managing projects, an Associate of Project Management certification or Executive Certificate in Project Management can be attained.

# **Next Steps**

- Go to <a href="https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/gtalearners">https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/gtalearners</a> and select the certification track you are interested in.
- Complete the form.
- The tool administrator will send you your ID and password.
- Register for the appropriate courses in your track, and you are on your way to achieving your certification.

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Leadership for Project Managers You will learn effective techniques to develop your own leadership skills, to understand the importance of influence to lead others and to "lead from the middle".

### Managing Organizational Change

You will understand how changes in organizations are achieved one individual at a time and how to develop plans to assist people in making the transition from the current state to a future state.

### Successful Project Meetings

You will learn concepts and techniques to effectively manage all your project meetings. You will also practice these techniques through role play exercises and use best practice processes to plan, facilitate and get results from meetings.

### **Procurement Practices for PMs**

You will learn the 7-stage process for procurement used by the state of Georgia, along with industry best practices in contract administration and management. You will also learn Request for Proposal review techniques for your project.

### Scheduling with MS Project

You will learn basic concepts and techniques for developing and managing your project schedule using MS Project. You will also learn how to use your project schedule as a forecasting tool to predict project outcomes.

### Governance for Project Management

You will learn what Project Governance is and why it is necessary for successful project implementations. You will also learn how to construct a governance model.