

Ethics and Project Management

Ethics need to be a part of every job and each field has its own set of ethics to be considered. What is the role of ethics in planning and executing projects? What does the professional project manager need to know and adhere to? Here's a chance to explore in a safe environment ethical issues in PM and the PMI's approach towards ethics. You'll use case studies to discuss topics like: lapses in ethical judgment; if poor performance is related to ethics; what is meant by ethics; pressures project managers sometime face regarding ethics; how to ensure ethical behavior; and how to deal with unethical behavior.

Who should take this course?

The course is designed to help project managers become more effective on their projects by incorporating an ethical framework. It is also helpful for those needing a better perspective on ethics in preparation for taking the Project Management Professional (PMP)[®] or Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM)[®] certification exam.

Course Objectives

- Gain a better understanding of ethics.
- Acquire a better understanding of the ethical issues and ethical traps facing project managers on their projects.
- Understand the Project Management Institute's (PMI) approach towards ethics.
- Learn how to deal with ethical issues.

Course Details

- Length: 3 hours
- Classroom Type: Lecture
- Prerequisites: None

The above prerequisites are considered to be the basic skills and knowledge needed prior to taking this class. Instructors will assume your readiness for the class materials and will NOT use class time to discuss prerequisite materials.



Course Contents

Gain a better understanding of ethics.

- Key ethics terms and definitions.
- Other definitions of ethics.
- Characteristics of ethical topics.
- Why ethics matter.

Acquire a better understanding of the ethical issues and ethical traps facing project managers on their projects.

- How ethics permeates all project management processes.
- Ethical trends and challenges.
- What contributes to the risk of ethical behavior and pressures to compromise ethics.
- Examples of lapses in ethics.

Understand the Project Management Institute's (PMI) approach towards ethics.

- The structure of PMI's code of ethics and professional conduct.
- PMI's ethics vision and applicability.
- The four core values: Responsibility, Respect, Fairness, Honesty.
- PMI Ethics Resources.

Learn how to deal with ethical issues.

- Challenges to instilling ethical behavior.
- Ways to accomplish ethical thinking in projects.
- An approach for dealing with ethical situations.
- Class scenario discussions.