

Project® 2007: Introduction

Course length: 2 days

Course Description: You need to gather information about the various tasks involved, resources required to accomplish the tasks, and the overall cost in order to plan a project. Microsoft® Office Project Professional 2007 acts as a tool that assists you in managing your projects. In this course, you will create and modify a project plan. The plans need to be updated and modified regularly to keep the project moving on track. This course will build upon the knowledge gained, and give you the opportunity to work with a project plan once it reaches the project implementation phase.

Course Objective: You will create a project plan containing tasks, organize these tasks in a work breakdown structure containing task relationships, create and assign resources, and finalize the project to implement the project plan. You will exchange project plan data with other applications, update project plans, create visual reports, and reuse project plan information.

Target Student: This course is designed for a person who has an understanding of project management concepts, who is responsible for creating and modifying project plans, and who needs a tool to manage these project plans.

Prerequisites: This course is designed for a person who has an understanding of project management concepts, who is responsible for creating and modifying project plans, and who needs a tool to manage these project plans.

Performance-Based Objectives: Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- ◆ explore the Microsoft Office Project environment and the various views in which you can survey a project file.
- ◆ create a new project plan.
- ◆ manage tasks by organizing them and setting task relationships.
- ◆ manage resources for a project.
- ◆ finalize the project plan.
- ◆ exchange project plan data with other applications.
- ◆ update a project plan.
- ◆ manage project costs.
- ◆ report project data visually.
- ◆ reuse project plan information.
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Day One

Lesson 1: Getting Started with Microsoft Project

- Explore the Microsoft Project 2007 Environment
- Display an Existing Project Plan in Different Views

Lesson 2: Creating a Project Plan

- Create a New Project Plan
- Assign a Project Calendar
- Add Tasks to the Project Plan
- Enter the Task Duration Estimates
- Add Resources in the Project Plan

Lesson 3: Managing Tasks in a Project Plan

- Outline Tasks
- Add a Recurring Task
- Link Dependant Tasks
- Set a Constraint to a Task
- Set a Task Deadline
- Add Notes to a Task

Lesson 4: Managing Resources in a Project Plan

- Create a Resource Calendar
- Assign Resources to Tasks
- Assign Additional Resources to a Task
- Enter Costs for Resources
- Enter Values for Budget Resources
- Resolve Resource Conflicts

Lesson 5: Finalizing the Project Plan

- Display the Critical Path
- Shorten the Project Duration
- Set a Baseline
- Print a Project Summary Report

Day Two

Lesson 1: Exchanging Project Plan Data with Other Applications

- Import Project Information
- Export Project Plan Data into Excel
- Copy a Picture of the Project Plan Information

Lesson 2: Updating a Project Plan

- Enter Task Progress
- Enter Overtime Work
- Split a Task
- Reschedule a Task
- Filter Tasks
- Set an Interim Plan
- Create a Custom Table
- Create a Custom Report

Lesson 3: Managing Project Costs

- Update Cost Rate Tables
- Group Costs
- Link Documents to a Project Plan

Lesson 4: Reporting Project Data Visually

- Create a Visual Report
- Customize a Visual Report
- Create a Visual Report Template

Lesson 5: Reusing Project Plan Information

- Create a Project Plan Template
- Create a Custom View
- Make Custom Views Available to Other Project Plans
- Share Resources
- Create a Master Project