PgMP Intelicamp Course Description

I. Introduction

The Program Management Professional (PgMP) certification is the next logical step in the career progression of a project manager. As successful project managers tackle increasingly larger and more complex projects, it will be inevitable that they start to manage a collection of these projects in a program. We believe the Program Management Professional (PgMP) certification can help project professionals not only be more secure in their jobs and vocations, but also as a step towards the formal recognition of their skills, experience, capabilities, and importance to their organizations.

The PgMP exam is essentially a PMP exam on steroids. Here's why:

- Program Managers need to understand project management. For example, in the current standard for program management, the traditional project lifecycle is fully embedded.
- Program Managers need to have more advanced understanding of business benefits, which tap into the realm of portfolio management.
- The exam itself is much more experience-based than PMP, and thus simply memorizing inputs, outputs, tools, and techniques would not suffice.

If you want to join this exclusive club of over 1,300 professionals, then PgMP is the clear choice.

What makes our course unique is that it is taught by not only a certified PgMP but also an experienced program manager. Therefore by not just memorizing a whole series of questions and answers, you will be more mentally prepared to tackle the difficult experience-based questions. The group size is also likely to be small, for the reasons mentioned above. This small group size can be positive – more attention per participant but also negative, in that less collaboration and knowledge sharing amongst the participants could occur.

Our course bundles together the best of class from three different resources:

- Course and materials from our consulting best practices and our partner's content (both of us are PMI R.E.P.)
- Online PgMP course module (from one of our partners)
- Our large test bank of over 1,500 PgMP questions

As an added bonus, participants in our Intelicamp are welcome to attend the future Intelicamp PgMP courses for up to a year. While we cannot guarantee that you will pass, we will do what we can to assist you.

II. Time Commitment

This PgMP Intelicamp is designed for project professionals with the sole focus of passing the exam. We will also embed the core exam preparation materials with selective war stories and descriptions of program

performance domains, along with deliverables and tools. Expect to spend 3.5 – 4 hours per session for 3 sessions, or approximately 11-12 hours total.

To pass the PgMP exam, and assuming you fulfill the basic qualifications for the PgMP Credential as specified by PMI, our recommendation is a minimum of 120 hours, preferably more, depending on your experience. Here's a rough breakdown of time:

- 12+ hours of training
- 25+ hours of reading and truly understanding the Standard for Program Management 3rd Edition. Learning the terminologies and their meaning is essential for passing the exam.
- 40+ hours of going through the online training module
- 18-40 hours of practice exams in flexible mode
- 20 hours of going through the mock exam at least twice

III. Assumptions

We designed this course with the following assumptions, and we assume all of our participants agree with them before registering for our training program. The three assumptions are as follows:

- All participants are seasoned working professionals with the minimal required qualifications as specified in the PgMP qualifications by PMI.
- All participants understand the need to read thoroughly and understand the content of the Standard for Program Management 3rd edition preferably before the course. This is a basic and essential requirement as the exam is based on the terminologies and concepts of this book.
- All participants agree to perform the tasks specified in our course plan diligently. From PMO Advisory's perspective, we will help you pass the exam and you are welcome to join any of our PgMP Intelicamps in the one-year time frame. Thus, we also have a substantial stake (and risk) by accepting you into our program.

If you do not agree with any one of these assumptions, please speak with us before you participate. You will save yourself some time and money. We do track progress via our online practice exams, and if we start seeing significant delays or deteriorations, we will contact you. If there are no significant improvements after two such instances, you will no longer be able to participate in future Intelicamps. But as long as you are making progress, we are committed to support you through our various mechanisms for a period of one year (of which your initial timeframe of completing the PgMP exam has passed and you will need to reapply anyway.)

IV. Course Outline

Topic #	Topic Name and Description	Duration (min)
Session 1		
1	Lesson 1: Overview – Introduction of instructor and PgMP certification and course approach. Also review PMO Advisory resources for this course	60
2	Lesson 2: Basic Definitions and Formulae for Program Management	30
3	Lesson 3: Introduction to Program Management	45
4	Lesson 4: Program Management Performance Domains	60
	Review and Q&A	30
Session 2		
	Review of Day 1	30
5	Lesson 5: Program Strategy Alignment	45
6	Lesson 6: Program Benefits Management	45
7	Lesson 7: Program Stakeholder Engagement	30
8	Lesson 8: Program Governance	45
	Review and Q&A	30
Session 3		
	Review of Day 1 and 2	30
9	Lesson 9: Program Life Cycle Management	30
10	Lesson 10: Program Management Supporting Processes: Program Definition	60
11	Lesson 11: Program Management Supporting Processes: Program Benefits Delivery Phase	45

12	Lesson 12: Program Management Supporting Processes: Program Closure Phase	30
	Final review, Q&A, and next steps	30

Note: We can configure the agenda to a degree based on student needs.

V. Why PMO Advisory

Simply put, we are the best in the industry – value, credibility, content, flexibility, and quality:

1. Only PMI Global R.E.P. which provides certification training in Portfolio, Program, Project, and Risk Management training
2. The value of our bundle is superb – real-time instruction, online learning, large online test bank, and Q&A – all included
3. Our content comes from multiple PMI Global R.E.P.s – us and our partners (also PMI R.E.P.s)
4. One year attendance to the PgMP Intelicamp for free
5. Full access to the online practice exam for a year

Do you have any additional questions? If yes, please email us at cert@pmoadvisory.com