

Which Project Management Credential is Right for You?

The decision to earn a project management certification is a big one, so make sure you choose one that best fits your current expertise and your future career plans.

You can apply for any certification that matches your qualifications, and no certification is a prerequisite for another.

Meet People and Mentors in the Field

Research professional and trade organizations; network among individuals working in the industry and/or other military veteran project managers; or engage professional social media or chapter venues where project managers assemble.

Discover people who can help you determine if project management is the right fit for you, and mentor you through the process.

For questions, please contact miloutreach@pmieasterniowa.org or www.pmieasterniowa.org/military-service

“Many veterans have project management experience—just under a different name. The challenge is in the translation and repackaging of their skill sets so that hiring managers spot their skills.

Mission-related often translates to ‘projectized’, and the government and military are highly projectized environments, which make many veterans a natural fit for the project management world.” — Mark A. Langley, Former PMI President and CEO.

Founded in 1969, PMI delivers value for more than 2.9 million professionals working in nearly every country in the world through global advocacy, collaboration, education and research.

PMI advances careers, improves organization success and further matures the profession of project management through its globally recognized standards, certifications, resources, tools, academic research, publications, professional development courses, and networking opportunities.

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Take Your Military Experience and Transition to a Career in Project Management with the PMI Eastern Iowa Chapter

Project Managers are in Demand: Project management job openings are growing faster than jobs in the overall labor force and project management employers value military experience.



Military Experience Translates to Project Management Success: Industry research suggests strong ties between military experience and the success of candidates interested in becoming a Project Management Professional (PMP®).



Military Skills are directly transferable to the Project Management Profession:

Leading cross-functional teams to ensure accomplishment of mission objectives (strategic leadership skill), managing budgets and scheduling activities (technical skills), and conflict mediation and performance appraisal (soft skills), are all key proficiencies military veterans and project managers share.

Explore Project Management (Projectized) Sectors:

Consider not only industries and companies currently operating in a project management manner, but also those emerging industries (i.e., healthcare and technology sectors) where high growth and increased demand for project managers are expected.

The Project Management Institute (PMI):

PMI is the world's leading not-for-profit professional membership association for the project, program and portfolio management profession.

PMI Project Management Credentials, Training, Employment Resources, and Networks

PMI's website (www.PMI.org) offers a multitude of resources on career and professional development. Visit the "Learning" section and locate the "Training & Development" resources, including PMI's Professional & Career Development courses.

PMI's PMP® and CAPM® certifications are covered by the various military **Credentialing Opportunities Online (COOL) programs**. They are approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs for reimbursement www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/licensing_certification.asp

The **Department of Veterans Affairs** offers the **eBenefits Portal**, which contains career tools, information on veteran career fairs, employment opportunities and more to assist veterans seeking new opportunities and professional development through www.ebenefits.va.gov

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