

# Top 5 Ways to Fund PMP/CAPM Certification Training



## Get The Training You Need to Pass the Project Management Professional Exam

The average compensation for U.S. project management practitioners is over \$100,000 according to the PMI Project Management Salary Survey. For 15 years, we've offered the Entire PMP Series: Project Management Professional Certification Exam prep to help professionals with 5+ years of project management experience reach this milestone in their career by becoming a certified project management professional.

Throughout our seven-week series, our seasoned PMP certified instructors will provide expert guidance through course work and help you prepare for the exam. Below, see ways you can make this important investment with possible ways to fund your training.

### 1 If You are Employed: Talk to Your Supervisor

Many companies and organizations have professional development budgets that are different from tuition reimbursement benefits. Once you have determined that PMP certification is your professional development goal, the next step is to set up a time to talk to your manager. Below is a quick set of powerful talking points that you can mention during your meeting:

- *I will learn practical skills that will impact my job immediately.* According to PMI, the governing body of PMP certification, when more than one-third of their project managers are PMP-certified, organizations complete more of their projects on time, on budget, and meet original goals (Pulse of the Profession® study, PMI, 2015).
- *This certification was developed with our organization in mind.* This credential will reflect what I need to know and how to apply it to be a leader in project management for the organization. As I become an expert on all the material covered in the Project Management Book of Knowledge (PMBOK Guide), I'll be applying concepts and understanding best practices for handling day-to-day tasks and unexpected scenarios. I'll be learning from the experiences of other professionals, sharpening my skills that can boost my productivity and effectiveness.
- *My knowledge will be current, relevant, and universally recognized.* The PMP certification signifies that I speak and understand the global language of project management. Earning this credential will give our team recognition as well as individually provide me with the flexibility to use my knowledge, skills and competencies anywhere our organization operates.

### 2 If You Are Unemployed: Take Advantage of State Training Dollars

The Entire PMP Series is approved by the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) to be eligible for WIA funding.

Contact the Howard County Office of Workforce Development at 410-290-2620 or your local unemployment office for more information.

### 3 If You are a Veteran: Look Into Benefit Eligibility

You may be eligible for veteran benefits. For more information, contact us at 443-518-4514 or email [veteransaffairs@howardcc.edu](mailto:veteransaffairs@howardcc.edu).

### 4 If You Don't Need Your PMP Now: Plan Ahead

The cost for the Entire PMP Series is \$2,500. HCC's course is offered three times per year, in September, January, and April. Check [HCC's website](#) regularly for upcoming classes.

### 5 If You Think You Might Qualify for Financial Assistance: Visit Our Financial Aid Webpage

The Division of Continuing Education & Workforce Development has a webpage outlining financial aid opportunities for noncredit classes as well as other possibilities for financial assistance.

[Click here](#) for more information.

#### SOURCES:

Project Management Institute (PMI): <http://www.pmi.org>

PMI's Pulse of the Profession®:

<http://www.pmi.org/learning/pulse.aspx>

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