What is a Project?
In general terms, a project is defined as “a temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product or service.” (Project Management Institute)

In the SLU ITS Division, the definition of “Project” is further refined for the purpose of identifying which efforts will be managed within the SLU IT Project Portfolio.

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SLU ITS Project Definition and Criteria

An ITS project is a defined, approved, temporary effort to produce a unique product or service in support of the University mission.

ITS projects consist of:

- A minimum of 300 hours of ITS labor, OR
- A minimum of $50,000 in non-labor expenses
- Staff from 3 or more ITS Departments
- Total duration of the work plan is greater than 3 months
- External labor (contractor/consultant) in excess of 100 hours must be managed
- Schedule is highly constrained by factors such as a regulatory mandate, the academic calendar, or the core business calendar.