Minor & Certificate

The SLU Project Management Minor and Certificate programs provide you with the opportunity to perfect your project management knowledge, skills and tools that can propel your career in any field of study based on our practical, industry-desired and tailored curriculum. Take advantage of the opportunity to excel in an area you enjoy (we all do projects anyhow). By 2025, the Project Management Institute projects an estimated 15.7 million vacant project management positions worldwide.

The proliferation of government activities and the globalization of business and economics, coupled with an ever-increasing influx of change in the workplace and the stress on available resources, has caused a significant shift in the way business is conducted, projects are managed, products are delivered and success is determined. Project Management skills have become an important part of the tool set necessary for success in this environment, moving away from traditional, hierarchical, and stove-piped roles to being product-oriented and process-driven. Those skilled in Project Management assure that their deliverable is closely linked with production and that critical, time-to-market projects are successful. In fact, it has been demonstrated that high-performing companies have a certified project manager over 85% of the time. As a result of our project management program, students move beyond multi-tasking to integration of complex, cross-discipline business requirements while focusing on project achievements. Hence, the essence of Project Management is to support the execution of the organization’s competitive strategy to deliver a desired outcome.

You know you’re in the right place: The SLU program is named among the elite by the Project Management Institute (PMI) as a Registered Education Provider (R.E.P.), approved to help project managers achieve and maintain the Project Management Professional (PMP)® credentials! This is your guarantee that we have met PMI’s rigorous quality criteria for course content, instructor qualification and instructional design.

Here’s how it works: Our course lays out an understanding of the Project Management discipline as a framework that is applicable across all industries and businesses. Then we build on your foundation of experience as we begin to apply the five Process Groups: Initiating, Planning, Executing, Monitoring and Controlling, and Closing (which give you a product, service or result) through the 10 Knowledge Areas (providing the expertise to your project) via 47 processes.

Through our project-based learning, the project management minor and certificate programs prepare you for the widespread applicability of project management standards and the broad array of fields that are employing project management professionals.

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TOTAL 18 Credits

Our Minor and Certificate programs exceed the contact hours required by PMI to sit for the certification exam, exemplifying your project management expertise to employers. Students may choose this 18-credit hour program as a minor combined with a major in pursuit of a bachelor’s degree, or as a stand-alone project management certificate. The Project Management program is available in both an online and blended online/on-ground format.

Saint Louis University plans to offer a B.S. in Project Management starting in 2017. Ask your advisor about how your minor / certificate coursework can be counted towards your bachelor’s degree.

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Admission Requirements

• AGE: 22 YEARS OR OLDER (EXCEPTIONS MAY BE MADE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS).

• WORK EXPERIENCE: AT LEAST 3 YEARS OR THE EQUIVALENT.

• EDUCATION: HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR COMPOSITE GED SCORE OF AT LEAST 2250.

• INTERVIEW: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF AN ADMISSION MEETING WITH AN ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR. THIS CAN BE DONE OVER THE PHONE OR AT ONE OF OUR CAMPUS SITES.

• GRADE POINT AVERAGE: A MINIMUM TRANSFER CUMULATIVE GPA OF 2.5 (UNLESS QUALIFIED FOR CONDITIONAL ADMITTANCE).

Admission Procedures

STEP 1 — COMPLETE APPLICATION
Complete the application for admission online at busyadults.slu.edu. Applications are accepted and processed on a rolling basis. Students are encouraged to apply for admission at least one month before the term in which they wish to enroll.

STEP 2 – REQUEST OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS
Have official transcripts mailed directly from all previously attended colleges to:

School for Professional Studies
Attn: Admissions
3840 Lindell Blvd
Saint Louis, MO 63108
If you are an applicant seeking a degree or if you are seeking a certificate and you have not earned a bachelor’s degree, you must obtain official transcripts from all previous college coursework. If you have never attended college or have less than 15 hours of transferable college credits, you will need to provide official high school or GED transcripts.

If you are an applicant seeking a certificate and you have a bachelor’s degree, you need only provide an official transcript from your primary higher education institution or evidence of a high school diploma or GED.

Non-degree applicants only need to provide unofficial copies as needed for prerequisites.

STEP 3 — MEET WITH ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR
Contact an admissions counselor to discuss the status of your application and your educational and career goals. You may schedule an appointment to speak with an admissions counselor at our St. Louis campus or over the phone in certain instances. Appointments are available during business hours and weekday evenings.

A writing and/or math assessment test may be necessary during or shortly after the admissions meeting if you are bringing in little or no transfer credits for these areas.

ADMISSION
Once admitted into the School for Professional Studies, you may begin taking courses in the next available term. If applicable, a letter identifying official acceptance of transfer hours will be forwarded when official transcripts have been received and evaluated. If you have questions about the admission process or the status of your application, please call 314-977-2330 or 800-734-6736.

Dollars and Sense
We strive to make quality higher education accessible to students of all economic means. In addition to offering a reduced tuition rate of half the cost of SLU’s traditional programs and helping you apply for federal, state and institutional funds, SPS offers numerous scholarships and awards specifically for new students.

• SEE THE FULL LIST OF SPS SCHOLARSHIPS AT: WWW.SLU.EDU/X23497.XML.

SPS also offers budget payment plans and a deferred payment option for students whose employers reimburse tuition costs after completion of a course. More information on tuition and financial aid can be found at: www.slu.edu/x10990.xml. To determine eligibility for financial assistance, submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) early for maximum consideration. FAFSA is available online at: www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Credit for Prior Learning / Transfer Credits
We now provide several options for our adult students to receive credit for prior learning from the following areas:

1. Transfer credits from other accredited institutions
2. College Level Examination Program (CLEP) testing
3. DSST testing (formerly DANTES testing)
4. Industry certifications with an external accreditor (such as an association or agency) in which the certification is received upon successful completion of a test
5. Credit that is approved by the American Council of Education (ACE)

The number of total transfer credit hours (across all forms of prior learning) cannot exceed those permitted by Saint Louis University, SPS, or the specific program to which the credit will be counted.

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Saint Louis University School for Professional Studies provides you with quality and flexibility, and the tools and resources you need to succeed. We invite you to learn more about us through our short videos, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and YouTube pages by visiting www.slu.edu/x35014.xml.

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