

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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For this program, I'm teaching Project Management. And our course is going to revolve around the Project Management institute's project management body of knowledge.

And there's nine principles in the area of knowledge-- project management body of knowledge-- which starts with integration, and then scope, and time, and quality, and risk, and procurement, and communication. And one of the things that we will show you, is that you will fall back upon those nine principles.

So you will go back and say, well, does this affect scope? Does this affect time? How does this affect communication? Are we going to have to change who we're talking to or who we're communicating with? Does it change procurement? Are we going to have to get things that we didn't have to get before? Do we not need things that we already have?

We also deal with some tricky human aspects of project management, which include negotiation, communication, and influence. Those are the three areas that are not just step-by-step approach. They're traits that you need to know about, learn about, be able to use, to make yourself a really good project manager. Not only that, make yourself a good member of the project management team.

I like to bring in my experience because we're getting experience every day, but what I really like to do is to integrate the experience of all the students. This is an ongoing thing. That's why I like information technology. It's constantly changing. It's constantly evolving. And we're constantly facing challenges that we haven't seen before. And at the same time, we are experiencing challenges that we've experienced for the last 30, 40 plus years. People are different. What motivates one individual does not necessarily motivate another. And so as a project manager, you'll need to work those people skills into a successful formula.