

SCO 6041 Project Management

Executive Summary

Course: SCO 6041 Project Management

Credits: 2 credits

Prerequisites: MBA 6220

Description

In the course of their careers, contemporary managers will spend a significant amount of time either participating in or leading projects. Projects are frequently used as proving-grounds for high-potentials. The skills that are required in project management are often the very same attributes that are required for successfully managing a business.

While every project is by definition unique, some concepts and tools in project management apply to a wide range of different types of projects. The aim of this course is to equip students with these concepts and tools, and to develop them into successful project managers (and team members). The goal of this course is neither to further refine existing project-management specialists in their expertise, nor to specifically train students for Project Management Certification. Rather, the objective is to equip business generalists (i.e., any career concentration) with project management related skills that will be useful throughout their careers.

With that aim in mind, the course will focus on broadly applicable concepts and methods and will cover both qualitative and quantitative aspects of project management.

Objectives

The goal of this course is to help students understand the following:

- How to manage time and resources in a project.
- How to deal with complexity, risk and ambiguity in a project.
- How to manage stakeholders and external parties in a project.

Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course, students will be able to apply and evaluate project management techniques, understand how to differentiate projects in terms of complexity and risk, and have a basic understanding of the formal and informal tools available to manage the different stakeholders in a project.