

# How to become a Certified Project Manager Professional



#### Welcome - Introduction

- Who we are
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- Elevate
  - Follows the PMI project process
  - 150+ active projects
  - 74+ Project Managers
  - PMB Project Management Board
  - PMO Project Management Office

## Agenda

- 6 Intro questions for the audience
- What is the Project Management Institute, PMI?
- What is a certified PMP?
- Real-life questions for Elevate PMP's
- What to do next to become certified
- Answers to the 6 initial questions
- Q&A



## **Intro Questions**

- 1. What is a Project Management Professional?
- 2. As a PM, what do you spend most of your time on?
- 3. How many CE hours do you need to become a PMP?
- 4. What are the benefits of becoming a certified PMP?
- 5. What does it take to become a certified PMP?
- 6. Are the PMI standards for projects used globally?

# What is the PMI? Project Management Institute

- The world's leading authority on project management
- The largest project manager community, connecting you with thought leaders and trend-setters around the globe.
- A non-profit organization with chapters worldwide
  - Global Standards
  - Chapters and Community
  - Training and Education
  - Certifications
  - Thought Leadership
  - Academic Research

#### **Fun Facts**

• 1,400,000 PMP certification holders worldwide

650,000 active PMI members around the globe

 25,000,000 new project management employees needed by 2030

## What is a certified PMP? Project Management Professional

 A Project Manager who has taken and passed the PMP exam.

 The certification acknowledges that you are skilled at managing the people, processes, and business priorities of professional projects.



#### What is a certified PMP?

- PMP certification validates that you are highly skilled in:
  - Motivating people and teams through all phases of a successful project.
  - Using predictive, agile and hybrid approaches to determine which way of working is best for each project.
  - Highlighting the success of a project and its impact on overall strategic organizational goals.

## **Questions for PMP's**

- Why did you become a certified PMP?
- How did it benefit you becoming certified?
- At Elevate we follow the PMI process for all projects. What are some examples of the process in your real-life projects?
- What is an example of management skills you use every day?
- Was it a lot of work preparing for the exam? How much should someone expect?
- Was the exam hard?

## What's next?

How do I apply to become certified?

First, confirm you're eligible:

- 36 months of experience leading projects within the past eight years if you have a 4-year college degree, or
- 60 months of experience leading projects within the past eight years if you have a High School degree.

and

 35 hours of project management education/training or CAPM® certification

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#### Next:

- Complete and Submit Your PMP Application
- www.pmi.org
  - Create an account
  - Info on requirements
  - Ask questions, available 24 hours
  - Resources
  - Prep tools and tips

# **Questions & Answers**



# Thank you!

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