



PMI Global Accreditation Center for Project Management Education Programs (GAC)

**Assure the quality, reputation and visibility of
your project management program**

The PMI Global Accreditation Center for Project Management Education Programs (GAC) is the world's leading specialized accrediting body for project management and related degree and credit-bearing certificate programs.

25M

new project professionals
are needed globally by 2030.

Source: PMI Talent Gap Report

Value of GAC Accreditation

Organizations today recognize project management as a critical competency. Colleges and universities are responding with programs that prepare students to enter the workplace with the specialized knowledge and skills to fulfill this need.

PMI GAC accreditation demonstrates that a program meets comprehensive global standards of excellence and prepares graduates to meet market demands.

GAC Accreditation Benefits



- **Strengthened Program Reputation:** Stand out with GAC accreditation, showcasing academic excellence and industry relevance.
- **Greater Visibility:** Get listed in the PMI GAC online directory, boosting exposure and recognition among prospective students, employers, and academic peers.
- **Top-Quality Learning:** Ensure curricula are aligned with industry standards.
- **Exclusive Resources:** Access select PMI intellectual property, GAC scholarship programs, and Group Student Membership..
- **Better Job Prospects:** Employers value GAC accreditation, leading to stronger career opportunities for graduates.
- **Certification Credit:** Students may earn contact hours and PDUs towards PMI certifications, while graduates receive a reduction in certification work experience requirements.

Our Approach

GAC is governed by volunteer academics comprised of faculty and industry representatives, with at least one member representing the interests of the public.

Using peer review, we confirm that a degree program has been carefully assessed, and that its scale, scope, and quality conform to comprehensive global accreditation standards.

GAC encourages programs to be dynamic, innovative, and forward thinking in developing curricula that will both advance the profession and distinguish your graduates in the job market.

We host in-person and online accreditation workshops throughout the year

Our Standards

We accredit academic programs at the undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral levels. Each credit-bearing academic program must demonstrate that it satisfies our eligibility requirements and standards.

Our assessment focuses on three main areas:

Technical expertise: Ability to meet project needs within constraints set by professional standards and guides.

Professional behavior: Ethically and culturally aware stakeholder engagement, communication, leadership, and teamwork.

Strategic awareness: Contextual understanding and knowledge of strategic, societal, and operational drivers required to inform decisions and deliver sustained competitive advantage.

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