



PMI-ACP Exam Preparation Seminar

Two-day Seminar • 21 Hours / 21 PDUs • Homework Required!

Agile Certified Practitioner (ACP) is the newest certification from the Project Management Institute (PMI) and it “*sets the bar*” for agile project management professionals! That also means that the two hurdles standing in front of you – completing the application to sit for the exam and passing the exam – are rigorous. Luckily this course helps you sail over those hurdles and go to the next level with solid, real world practices. Remember, *after* you have passed the exam you must meet the *raised* expectations of your boss, co-workers, and customers as an agile expert!

WHO THIS COURSE IS FOR:

This course will benefit anyone interested in agile project management methods. In fact, many Scrum Masters will discover the “Shu Ha Ri” theory from their CSM class applied to real world implementation challenges. The list of beneficiaries includes:

- Program Managers and Product Owners
- Project Managers and Scrum Masters
- Project Team Members – Engineers, Analysts, Developers, and Testers
- Customers, General Management, and Senior Management
- Partners, Vendors, and Contractors
- College and University Instructors

WHAT THIS COURSE INCLUDES:

This course includes two full-length ACP practice exams, a six-month subscription to our Online Exam Simulator with over 1,000 questions, the Agile Process Map™ and the Agile PM Processes Grid™ which you won't find anywhere else! *PLUS...*

Expert Digests of:

- Scrum
- XP
- Lean
- FDD
- AUP
- Crystal
- TDD
- Agile Modeling

Study Aids such as:

- Terminology Matching
- Crossword Puzzles
- Word Searches
- Chapter Practice Tests

(Also see Course Outline next page.)

CLASS DATE: This class is being taught on **Friday and Saturday, March 23 – 24, 2012.**

SEMINAR MATERIALS: Students receive the *ACP Exam Prep PLUS Desk Reference book, flash cards* and a six-month subscription to the *GR8PM Online Exam Simulator*.

REGISTRATION: PMI Members' **Super Early Bird** rate is **only \$1,095**. The *Early Bird* price is only \$1,295. The **Standard** price is \$1,495 and non-member prices are higher. Members use **coupon code PMI257** for your \$150 discount. All the details and the Registration link are on the GR8PM website (<http://www.gr8pm.com/events--class-registration>).

LOCATION: Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel and Trade Center,
181 Boston Post Road West, Marlborough, MA 01752



COURSE OUTLINE:

Chapter 1: The ACP Exam

- What the Exam Tests
- Completing the ACP Application
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 2: Agile PM Introduction

- Overview of Agile Project Management
- Mapping Agile to the PMBOK®
- Summary of Agile Frameworks & Tools
- Agile Process Map™ & Agile PM Processes Grid™
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 3: Initiating Projects

- Embrace the Ethos of Agile Project Management
- Agile Manifesto and the 12 Principles
- Apply Incremental Delivery Cycles
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 4: Planning Projects

- Imbed Stakeholder Involvement
- Apply Adaptive Planning
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 5: Agile Estimating

- The Science and Art of Agile Estimating
- Estimating Tools & Milestone Forecasting
- Integrating Non-Agile Projects and Programs
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 6: Planning Projects

- Enable Team Performance
- Apply Risk Management
- Communication Best Practices
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 7: Iterating Projects

- Facilitative Control Techniques
- Monitoring & Reporting Tools
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 8: Controlling Projects

- Institutionalize Stakeholder Involvement
- Optimize Value-driven Deliverables
- Support Continuous Improvement
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 9: Contracting & Account Control

- Agile Contracts & Project Accounting
- Agile Earned Value Management (A-EVM)
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 10: Closing Projects

- Agile Program & Portfolio Management (A-PPM)
- Agile Enterprise Transformation
- Exercises & Chapter Practice Test

Chapter 11: How to Pass the Exam...the First Try!

- Use a Standardized Testing Strategy
- Manage the Exam

Chapter 12: Comprehensive Exams(s)

- Final Exam – Day 1
- Final Exam – Day 2



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ABOUT THE INSTRUCTORS:

John G. Stenbeck, PMP, CSM, CSP, is a Principal at GR8PM, Inc. His particular value comes from a combined background in information technology (IT), accounting, and operations. He has led many large, complex projects to success where others have failed.

John is an Adjunct Instructor for the University of California – San Diego's School of Extended Studies, where he teaches project management in the Systems Engineering Certificate program. As a trainer, he has taught numerous public and corporate on-site programs to over 6,500 students. John helps technical professionals in the high technology, aerospace, defense, financial services, and bio-pharmaceutical industries master project management and executive leadership skills.



Over the past fifteen years, he has managed projects for a host of companies including Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc., Guinness Bass Import Company, Hewlett-Packard Company, Oracle Corp., Qualcomm, Inc., and Visa – Smart Cards.

John is certified by the Project Management Institute (PMI) as a Project Management Professional (PMP) and by the Scrum Alliance as a Certified Scrum Master (CSM) and a Certified Scrum Professional (CSP). Moreover, he has an ITIL v.3 Foundations certification. John graduated from San Diego State University with a BS in Business Administration, with an emphasis in Accounting. John also has authored seven nationally delivered training programs.



Bryan Berthot, MBA, PMP, has over twenty years of experience in healthcare and information technology, having worked as a systems analyst, Extreme Programmer, database administrator, and project manager. An accomplished project management practitioner, he has led software development and business process improvement projects in both the corporate and public sectors. While at the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), Bryan co-authored a widely cited validation study of the Psychiatric Symptom Assessment Scale (PSAS), a clinical instrument used to evaluate psychiatric inpatients.

Over the past fifteen years, he has managed projects for several healthcare companies, including Ligand Pharmaceuticals, UnitedHealth Group, and

Primary Provider Management Company.

As a project management educator, Bryan has trained thousands of project managers at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and middle and senior corporate levels. He has taught at the University of Maryland University College Graduate School of Business and Technology, at University of California – San Diego Extension, and at many PMI chapters.

Bryan received his MBA from the University of Maryland University College and is a Project Management Professional (PMP). He is also a Certified Scrum Master (CSM), a Certified Scrum Product Owner (CSPO), and a Certified Professional in Healthcare Information and Management Systems (CPHIMS).