# Learning Journal Template

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**Course:** Software Project Management

**Journal URL:** https://github.com/jonloops/SOEN6841-Fall2024

**Dates Range of activities:** Sep 9 – 20, 2024

**Date of the journal:** Sep 21, 2024

| Key Concepts Learned: | Application in Real Projects: | Peer Interactions: | Challenges Faced: | Personal development activities: | Goals for the Next Week: |
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| Having previously worked as a project manager, with a focus on PROJECT INITIATION, DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT, TESTING, CLOSURE, AND MAINTENANCE, I was thrilled to learn about the formal project management processes: PROJECT INITIATION, PLANNING, MONITORING & CONTROL, and finally CLOSURE.

We explored various project management concepts, the role of a project manager, and the processes involved in achieving specific goals.

Key takeaways included major concepts: 'Project Charter', 'Project Scope', and 'Project Objective'. The project charter, as we learned, encompasses project goals, objectives, and responsibility allocation. | For someone with prior project management experience, this course is relevant in providing a deeper understanding of formal project management processes. It serves as a crucial bridge, aligning my previous practices with industry standards, correcting any misconceptions, and enhancing my overall perspective on project management. | There were minimal to no interactions for this reporting week. | There were no challenges faced for this reporting week. | Having learned the proper and formal Project Initiation phase, I am reflecting on the processes we are doing in my previous work (as project manager). I will try to find out which ones I want to continue, which ones I might have missed, and/or which ones to improve on. | To continue reflecting on the project initiation phase, i.e., to list down the documents and processes we have previously used and followed. |

**Final Reflections:**

**Overall Course Impact:**
As mentioned above, I have previously worked as project manager, and this is transformative for me as I am now re-aligning my perspective to a more formal project management processes.

**Application in Professional Life:**
The in-depth knowledge acquired from this course will help me in future applications for project manager role. There were some tips that the professor also gave, like creating Lessons Learned document after every project. She also discussed the qualities a good project manager should have. For me these are great takeaways from this week.

**Peer Collaboration Insights:**
Except for the formation of groups for the project, there were no peer interactions and collaborations this week.

**Personal Growth:**
For my personal reference and learning, I am starting to list down the documents and processes that we were using from my previous work [as project manager]. I am trying to see which ones I might potentially have missed, and/or which one to improve on.


*Note: Ensure that the journal is updated weekly, at least once a week and that the publicly accessible cloud service URL is provided for easy access by teaching assistants and for potential test-related inquiries. The learning journal should be no longer than 2 pages. Keep your content precise and to the point.*