

Guiding Questions

1. Why do you think this unit is entitled *Project Management Framework*?
2. What is the rationale for different types of a project lifecycles?
3. Are you familiar with project management process groups?

Introduction

This week you begin to explore project management and the environment within which you will be expected to manage projects. You begin to learn some core terminology and concepts that are fundamental for your success as a project manager.

How to Proceed

1. Watch the first video and read its companion document.
2. Review the key definitions.
3. Watch the remaining videos and answer the questions.

Performance Indicators

1. Define *project* and *project management*.
2. Define *program*, *portfolio*, and *project management office*.
3. Explain the differences between *operations* and *project work*.
4. Explain how organizational cultures and styles affect a project.
5. Describe the three major types of organizational structures.
6. Identify the four phases of the generic project life cycle.
7. Explain the three types of project life cycles.
8. Identify and describe the five project management process groups defined by the Project Management Institute (PMI).

Resources

1. Video 1: Introduction to Project Management Fundamentals
2. Video 1 Introduction to Project Management Fundamentals Companion Document
3. Key Definitions and Reading List (in FAR)
4. Video 2: Defining a project
5. Video 3: Project Management
6. Video 4: The Project Context
7. Video 5: Organizational Structures

Assessments

There is nothing due for marks this week.