

Business Project Planning and Management

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Australian National University, Canberra

Location: ANU Campus, Canberra

Note: Postgraduate Students Only

Course Description

The principle that 'A project is successful if it delivers all of its outputs, fit-for-purpose, on time and within budget' appears in almost every textbook on project management. Not only is it part of accepted wisdom, but it is (provably) wrong! This is one of the many (sometimes startling) conclusions that emerge from the rigorous theoretical models that we explore in Business Project Planning and Management.

Conventional wisdom in project management is based on a rich and fascinating collage of: analytical techniques, accepted practice, proprietary products, agreed standards, common sense, regularised procedures, anecdotal evidence, folklore, professional ritual, assertions, strongly-held beliefs, sloppy thinking and methodological zealotry.

For some years the lecturer has been engaged in a major program that seeks to make project management a more rigorous discipline by underpinning all this with reliable theoretical foundations. Business Project Planning and Management is work-in-progress from this endeavour.

While we refer to accepted project management practice, this course is based on an exploration of rigorous management principles - it is not a training program in any particular methodology.

Course tuition fee: AUD 2800

Accommodation: AUD 2040?4080

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Application

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