

PROJECT MANAGEMENT (PM) & PROGRAM MANAGEMENT (PgM)

# CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

	Federal Acquisition Institute (FAI)	The George Washington University (GW)/TwentyEighty Strategy Execution	Project Management Institute (PMI) <sup>®</sup>
<b>Certification Program Description</b>	The establishment of a structured development program as a Federal Acquisition Certification for Project and Program Managers (FAC-P/PM) issued via policy letter by OFPP, supported by OMB, and implemented by FAI.	Certificate program by highly respected academic institution, GW, in partnership with private training company TwentyEighty Strategy Execution. Certificate features GWU logo and a number of courses carry ACE credit recommendations.	PMI is a leading membership association for project management professionals. Project Management Professional (PMP) <sup>®</sup> and Program Management Professional (PgMP) <sup>®</sup> are recognized as industry credentials certifying competence and experience.
<b>Certification Levels and Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Entry-level requires 1 year PM experience within last 5 years</b></li> <li>■ <b>Mid-level requires 2 years PM/PgM experience within last 5 years</b></li> <li>■ <b>Senior-level requires 4 years PM/PgM experience within last 10 years with at least 1 year in federal PM/PgM</b></li> <li>■ <b>FAC-P/PM-IT Core-Plus requires at least FAC-P/PM mid-level and 2 years of IT PM experience</b></li> </ul> <p>Each level requires 80 to 120 hours of training, depending on the instructional design and method of delivery.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Master’s Certificate in Federal Project Management requires 4 core entry-level FAC-P/PM courses and 3 electives</b></li> <li>■ <b>Master’s Certificate in Advanced Federal Project Management requires 4 core mid-level FAC-P/PM courses and 3 electives</b></li> <li>■ <b>Master’s Certificate in Federal Program Management requires 4 core senior-level FAC-P/PM courses and 3 electives</b></li> <li>■ <b>Master’s Certificate in Federal IT Project Management requires 3 IT Core-Plus courses, one Agile course (D62), and 3 electives</b></li> </ul> <p>No prerequisites. All courses for each level must be completed within 4 years.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM)<sup>®</sup> requires 23 contact hrs of PM training, high school degree and 1,500 hrs PM experience</b></li> <li>■ <b>PMP<sup>®</sup> requires 35 contact hrs PM training, high school degree and 7,500 hrs PM experience over 5 years (or Bachelor’s degree and 4,500 hrs PM experience over 3 years)</b></li> <li>■ <b>PgMP<sup>®</sup> requires Bachelor’s degree, 6,000 hrs. PM and 6,000 hrs PgM experience</b></li> </ul>
<b>Basis of Certification</b>	No certification exam. Each level requires specific proficiency and performance outcomes in the 7 competencies for Core FAC-P/PM standard certification and 15 competencies for IT Core-Plus. IT Core-Plus requires a minimum of Mid-Level Core FAC-P/PM certification as a prerequisite. In addition, FAC-P/PM-IT requires 20 out of 80 CLPs every 2 years to be IT-focused.	<p>Certification program courseware incorporates vernacular and terminology used by PMI and maps back to OFPP’s FAC-P/PM requirements of competencies, proficiency levels, and required outcomes.</p> <p>Our fully FAI verified FAC-P/PM training program provides an accelerated path to certification and includes immersive hands-on learning activities that simulate participants’ specific work environments.</p>	<p>The certification covers 10 knowledge areas (KA), 5 process groups, and 47 processes described in <i>A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK<sup>®</sup> Guide)</i>, 5th edition.</p> <p>Certification exam is required for each level and tests the knowledge and competencies within applicable KAs, depending on a certification.</p>
<b>Continuing Education Requirements</b>	Each certified individual must earn 80 continuing learning points (CLPs) every 2 years in order to maintain certification status.	Our courses provide continuing education credits (16 CLPs/PDUs for a 2-day class, 24 CLPs/PDUs for a 3-day class); however, no continuing education credits are required to maintain MC certificate status.	Each certified individual must earn 60 professional development units (PDUs) every 3 years in order to maintain certification status.

TwentyEighty Strategy Execution’s fully revised FAI-verified FAC-P/PM certification training curriculum is available through the GSA Schedule. The GSA contract number is GS-02F-0058P. Federal Acquisition Institute (FAI) verified certification courses have been reviewed by FAI and they have verified the courses properly align to the applicable Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) competency model and federal certification policy.

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