

# Organizational Project Management Maturity (OPM3®) Overview

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Successful projects within an organization do not necessarily make a successful organization. The Project Management Institute (PMI) recognized this and developed and issued a Standard on Organizational Project Management Maturity Model (OPM3®) in 2003. It focused on the importance of the application of project management in an organization to achieve its goals and objectives. While each individual project must be completed by successfully applying knowledge, skills, tools, and techniques, all of an organization's projects must provide strategic value.

PMI also developed an assessment methodology based on this standard and has a program under way to certify Assessors and Consultants using a robust assessment tool, Product Suite. The purpose of this class is to provide an overview of the importance of organizational project management and to recognize the value proposition for an OPM3 maturity assessment.

## Prerequisites

- None, this class provides a basic overview of all aspects of OPM3

## Learning Objectives

At the end of this class, participants will be able to:

- Recognize the value of organizational project management maturity
- Explain why OPM3 is important to organizational success
- Describe the three domains that comprise OPM3
- Describe the four process improvement stages
- Explain how the OPM3 Directories are used
- Determine what must be done to conduct an OPM3 assessment
- Describe why a maturity assessment can lead to a competitive advantage

## Who Should Attend

- Project managers, program managers and team members that manage and work on projects
- Managers, portfolio managers and members of PMOs and equivalent organizations
- All others with an interest in this organization assessment model

## Course Outline

- Review the fundamentals of maturity models and OPM3 in particular
- Discuss the focus of a maturity assessment
- Describe the project, program, and portfolio domains
- Explain the standardize, measure, control, and continuously improve stages
- Explain the three Directories in OPM3 – Best Practices, Capabilities, and Outcomes
- Describe the process that is followed during an OPM3 maturity assessment

The class contains individual and group exercises.

## Class Length

- One day (8 PDUs)