

Project 2-day Introduction – Intermediate

Course Aim

To create a Project with Summary Tasks, Tasks, Constraints, Deadlines and Milestones. To use Project to help meet target dates by managing Resources, using Critical Path and Slack. To Track progress and View Reports. At the start of day 2 there is a recap session where attendees will start a Project of their own. This will allow time to consolidate the content learnt in day 1 and see how Project may be used at work.

Intended for

Those new to MS Project and those that have tried to self-teach. Project Managers and anyone that needs to use or understand a Project plan.

Prerequisites

Basic typing skills.

Duration and Timings

This is a 2-day course, running from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Day 1 – Start 9.30 am

Session 1

Creating a new project

- The Gantt Chart View
- Choosing a Start/Finish Date
- Changing the Standard Calendar
- Entering Tasks, Durations and Milestones
- Outlining – Creating Summary Tasks
- Saving the Project

10-minute Break

Session 2

Linking Tasks

- Linking Tasks and Task Relationships
- Lag and Lead
- Navigating to Tasks quickly
- Constraints & Deadlines

Lunch 1.00 to 2.00 pm

Session 3

Creating Resources

- Creating Resources
- Resource Working Times
- Assigning Resources & Applying Filters

10-minute Break

Session 4

Recap Session

Plan your own project on paper (end of day 1)

Finish 4.30 pm

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Day 2 – Start 9.30 am

Session 4 (Cont.)

Recap Session

Create your own Project

10-minute Break

Session 5

Meeting your deadline

Critical Path
Project Slack
Adding Resources
Non-Effort Driven Tasks

Session 6

Formatting and creating templates

Formatting the Gantt Chart
Formatting the Calendar View
Formatting the Tables
Creating a Template

Lunch 1.00 to 2.00 pm

Session 7

Tracking

Setting a Baseline
Updating the Project
Tracking and comparing against the Baseline
Project Statistics

10-minute Break

Session 8

Printing & Reports

Print Preview, Headers and Footers
Adding Logos
Quick look at Reports

If time allows delegates will be introduced to Resource Pool and/or Master Projects

Finish 4.30 pm