

If you are a PMP aspirant, you should know the eligibility requirements to appear in the PMP Exam. The chart at right shows how you can become eligible for PMP Exam

**Overview of the PMP Certifications**

**PMP Eligibility Requirements**

To be eligible for the PMP certification, you must meet certain educational and professional experience requirements. All project management experience must have been accrued within the last eight consecutive years prior to your application submission.

Educational Background	Project Management Experience	Project Management Education
Secondary degree (high school diploma, associate's degree or global equivalent)	Minimum five years/60 months unique non-overlapping professional project management experience during which at least 7,500 hours were spent leading and directing the project	35 contact hours of formal education
<b>OR</b>		
Four-year degree (bachelor's degree or global equivalent)	Minimum three years/36 months unique non-overlapping professional project management experience during which at least 4,500 hours were spent leading and directing the project	35 contact hours of formal education

\*Leading and directing the project as identified with the tasks, knowledge, and skills specific in the Project Management Professional Examination Content Outline.  
You should have experience in all five process groups across all your project management experience submitted on the application. However, on a single project, you do not need to have experience in all five process groups.

**NOTE:** The A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) defines a project as a temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product, service or result (PMBOK® Guide—Fifth Edition, p. 553).