

P3O® Practitioner

Duration: 5 Days

Language: en

Course Code: PO4 - 151

Objective

1. By the end of this programme, participants will be able to:
   Apply the P3O guidance to effectively design, implement, and manage a P3O model.
   Develop a compelling business case to secure senior management approval and funding.
   Tailor P3O models to fit specific organisational sizes, maturity levels, and strategic needs.
   Design an implementation blueprint and manage the rollout of a PMO function.
   Utilize advanced tools and techniques for portfolio prioritisation, resource management, and management dashboards.
   Lead effective stakeholder engagement and communication strategies.
   Prepare confidently for the scenario-based P3O® Practitioner certification exam.

Audience

- This course is highly recommended for:
  Head of PMO / Head of P3O.
  Portfolio, Programme, and Project Directors.
  Senior Project Managers transitioning into PMO leadership roles.
  Portfolio Analysts and PMO Specialists.
  Prerequisite: Candidates must hold a valid P3O® Foundation certificate.

Training Methodology

This programme employs a highly interactive, adult-learning methodology designed for project professionals, seamlessly blending advanced theoretical frameworks with aggressive practical application. Throughout the course, participants will engage in real-world scenario analysis, dissecting complex organisational constraints to design optimal P3O structures. This analytical foundation is put to the test through simulated implementation workshops, where attendees draft blueprints and business cases in real-time. To ensure technical proficiency, the training incorporates hands-on exercises focused on tailoring tools and techniques for specific business environments.

Please note that while the training includes extensive scenario-based preparation and mock exams, the official P3O® Practitioner certification exam is conducted independently outside of the classroom schedule.

Summary

Building upon the theoretical foundation of the P3O framework, the P3O® Practitioner course is an advanced 5-day programme focused entirely on application, design, and execution. This course provides project management professionals with the practical expertise needed to design, implement, manage, or work within any component office of a P3O model. Participants will dive deep into scenario-based learning to master blueprint development, business case justification, stakeholder engagement, and the deployment of advanced portfolio tools. This course ensures that professionals are fully equipped to lead PMO functions and align complex portfolios with overarching corporate strategy.

Course Content & Outline

Section 1: Strategic Alignment and Advanced P3O Modelling

- Review of core P3O concepts and their strategic application.
- Analyzing organisational maturity and culture to select the optimal P3O model.
- Deep dive: Balancing centralisation, scalability, and local project needs.
- Structuring governance frameworks to enhance decision-making.

Section 2: Business Case Development and Blueprinting

- Extracting value: Formulating a robust P3O business case for C-level executives.
- Defining key performance indicators (KPIs) and capability maturity metrics.
- Designing the P3O Blueprint: Defining future-state processes, organisation, and information flows.
- Mapping out costs, benefits, and the value matrix.

Section 3: Implementation Lifecycles and Change Management

- Applying the implementation lifecycle for a permanent vs. temporary PMO.
- Developing a project dossier and planning stages/tranches of delivery.
- Stakeholder mapping, engagement, and communication strategies.
- Navigating resistance to change and overcoming organisational barriers.

Section 4: Advanced Operations, Tools, and Techniques

- Tailoring P3O functions and services to the specific needs of the business.
- Applying complexity modelling and portfolio prioritisation tools.
- Designing and implementing effective management dashboards and reporting cycles.
- Information Assurance (IA) and integrating non-PPM functions.

Section 5: Scenario Application and Exam Preparation

- Case study workshops: Applying P3O guidance to complex, multi-part scenarios.
- Reviewing the official P3O® Practitioner exam format and question styles.
- Time management strategies for the objective testing open-book exam.
- Mock exam practice, peer review, and final certification readiness.

Certificate Description

Upon successful completion of this training course, delegates will be awarded a Holistique Training Certificate of Completion. For those who attend and complete the online training course, a Holistique Training e-Certificate will be provided.

Holistique Training Certificates are accredited by The CPD Certification Service (CPD), and are certified under ISO 9001, ISO 21001, and ISO 29993 standards. CPD credits for this course are granted by our Certificates and will be reflected on the Holistique Training Certificate of Completion. In accordance with the standards of The CPD Certification Service, one CPD credit is awarded per hour of course attendance. A maximum of 50 CPD credits can be claimed for any single course we currently offer.

The official P3O® Foundation and Practitioner certification exams are administered by PeopleCert. Please note that the exam fee is not included in the course fee unless mentioned clearly.

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