

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Who is the course designed for?

The programme is designed for practising Project Managers who are looking to expand their knowledge of Project Management and Leadership with a view to working towards chartered project professional status. The course is not designed as a conversion Masters – if you are new to Project Management then our other postgraduate offering, the Graduate Diploma in Project Management, may be more appropriate.

2. What are the entry requirements?

Applicants will hold an undergraduate degree in either Project Management or a closely related discipline and have several years of experience working on projects in leadership role. Occasionally it may be possible for applicants without an undergraduate degree to gain entry to the course providing that they can demonstrate an ability to apply themselves to academic study at postgraduate level.

3. When does the course start?

The programme will have two intakes per academic year, typically September and February. The first cohort will begin in February 2022.

4. How long does the course last?

The programme is delivered over two years, part-time. You will study five 20-credit taught modules and one 20-credit self-directed study module before completing a final 60-credit industry project consolidating your learning. Modules are delivered sequentially with the first six modules being delivered over an 8-week period of study and the final project being completed over 6 months.

5. What do I get when I complete the course?

Students who successfully complete this module will be awarded an MSc in Project Leadership. Additionally the course is aligned to the [APM's standard for Chartered Project Professional](#) and you will be in a position to apply for chartered status via route 2 (recognised assessments for technical knowledge and professional practice). [Further information available for the APM here.](#)

6. What support is available during the course?

There are several lines of support provided to meet different needs:

- Module Tutors provide first line support for queries with the current module of study.
- The Programme Leader provides first line support for queries that relate to the wider course rather than specific modules.
- A Professional Mentor will be available to provide support and guidance on the APM's mandatory and elective competencies for chartered status.

7. How much does it cost?

The fee for the MSc programme is £12,900. This covers all tuition and assessment for the MSc, and all support in portfolio preparation. It does not include fees payable to APM for an application for Chartership. The fee is payable in up to three instalments. Employers intending to sponsor students should contact project.academy@cumbria.ac.uk to discuss financial arrangements.

8. Further questions

If you have any further queries, or would like details on how to apply for the course, please contact the University of Cumbria Project Academy by emailing project.academy@cumbria.ac.uk