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Oh, the weather outside is frightful

- Dean Martin

Being that we work for the State University of New York, we all know it is coming, Snow. Some of us in the state got a rude awakening to this in the past couple of weeks (We see you Buffalo and Watertown :)) and others of us are still anticipating our big snowfall for the end of 2022. Like the inevitable snowfalls in November and December in New York, your project will experience change and hiccups throughout the project management lifecycle.

As the saying goes, the best laid plans are bound to go astray. When it comes down to it, project management is all about managing the twists and turns of collaborative development. The ability to adapt and respond to these inevitable changes will determine whether the project in question will be successful. [1] We hope that these resources help you adapt and respond to make your projects successful.

If you have any suggestions for resources that you believe will benefit the community or topics that you are looking for more information on, please let us know!

[1] Mark W. Kaelin, August 18, 2005, https://www.techrepublic.com/article/change-is-inevitable-respond-to-it-positively-through-agile-project-management/

Happy Project Managing!

JANUARY 2023 MONTHLY WEBINAR

For our January 2023 Monthly Webinar, Mary Degroat from SUNY Upstate Medical University will be showcasing their homegrown portfolio management system, ELUCIDATE. They will be giving us a demo of their application, which was built by Upstate's IMT Web Applications team.

[Click here to download an .ics file to add the January 2023 webinar to your Outlook or Google calendar.](#) The Microsoft Teams Webinar connection information for the event is in the .ics file.

Spring 2023 Project Management Classes

While our Fall 2022 [Project Management Fundamentals](#) and [Advanced Project Management](#) classes have either happened or are full, we will begin planning soon for our Spring 2023 semester. Registration will open for these classes soon and emails will be sent out to the PMP CoP listserv first. Keep an eye on the listserv for the announcement.

Articles of Interest

[The 5 Skills You Need For Managing Complex Projects](#)

Sometimes projects can seem a bit overwhelming. I know – I've cried with frustration after a meeting where totally the wrong people put together an unachievable plan. Complexity adds to the overwhelm. Not only are you feeling that the project is like a cat you can't get in the carry case to take the vet, but there are a ton of other complicating factors. (Elizabeth Harrin, Rebels Guide to Project Management, 11/29/2022)

[Five Risk Management Best Practices for Project Managers](#)

For most of us, risks and risk management are a part of everyday life. Despite all that, project risk management is one of the least understood tools a Project Manager (PM) has in their toolkit. Some think that risk management is too time consuming, only needs to be assessed once at project initiation, or is only a concern for leadership. In reality, research shows that effective risk management increases the likelihood of project success. This crucial element of project management involves everyone from the top down, throughout the entire life of the project. (Lindsay Curtis, mpug.com, 11/28/2022)

[3 Skill Sets PMs Must Focus on for Future Success](#)

Imagine yourself in the future. Where will you be working? What tools will be necessary for success? How will you build your career?
The answer to those and other related questions may not be clear now, as we cannot see into the increasingly uncertain future. Still, to be continuously improving, you need to have structure in your planning. You can be prepared if you stay current by building and improving certain skill sets that never go out of style (Joe Wynne, projectmanagement.com, 11/16/2022)

Webinars To Watch

Don't forget to visit our PMP CoP YouTube Playlist to view all of our previous Monthly Webinars that we have held. If you have a particular topic that you are interested in for a future monthly, please let us know by emailing krista.lynch@suny.edu.

Benefits of Business Agility for an Agile Transformation

Tuesday, December 06, 2022 | 1:00 PM – 1:40 PM EST

Boost your team's performance and productivity by understanding and encompassing the benefits of business agility for an agile transformation through our FREE webinar. Business agility allows teams to become more responsive to change and helps reduce cost without sacrificing quality. Learn from a PMI (Project Management Institute) certified instructor and understand the concept of business agility and its benefits in this ever-dynamic world. With this webinar Help your team's acquire the skills and knowledge to embrace business agility to the core and gain the real benefits of an agile business transformation through this webinar. (Netcom Learning)

Creating a Healthy Workplace in 2023

Thursday, December 15, 2022 | 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM EST

Workers across the country are mentally worn out. In one recent survey, 76% of respondents reported at least one symptom of a mental health condition, an increase of 17 percentage points in just two years. Yet workplaces can be engines of well-being and mental health. The U.S. Surgeon's General office recently released a framework featuring "Five Essentials for Workplace Mental Health & Well-Being." Each component – such as protection from harm and connection and community – aims to create healthier workplaces.
But how can you implement this framework and fuel your organization's engine of well-being?
(Crucial Learning)

Supporting Organizational Goals by Managing Project Portfolios

Project managers should be mindful of an organization's strategic direction and supporting portfolio(s) when making project decisions. But, is this truly understood by project managers? This enterprise-wide thinking turns an average project manager into a value added resource within any organization. Management consider these insightful project managers as promotion-worthy and deserving of 'plum' organizational opportunities. While it is certain that project resource assignment, risk and issue management, budgeting and scheduling all have an effect on the project, can they also affect the portfolio? How do you know that? By attending this webinar you will understand why project managers must 'think forward' the ramifications of their decisions or lack thereof, on the project as well as the portfolio. (International Institute for Learning)

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"When you're feeling overworked,
stop and smell the roses that we
installed as an app on your BlackBerry."

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