

# APM Project Professional Qualification (PPQ)

Developing your future project managers  
for tomorrow

## Qualification overview

The Project Professional Qualification (PPQ), developed by APM, the chartered body for the project profession, draws on a candidates existing skills developed through experience, supported by their theory and study.

Covering the core and specific competences project professionals require across all areas of the profession, PPQ is the most comprehensive assessment of professional project management capability available.

## Who is this qualification for?

The APM Project Professional Qualification is aimed at any project professional either:

- As a next step after taking the APM Project Management Qualification (PMQ).
- If they have around five-seven years experience as a project professional.
- If they want to step up to more difficult projects and demonstrate their readiness to do so.

It is possible to progress to PPQ without the PMQ. This can be identified through Provek's PMA assessment, an essential tool to help candidates objectively judge whether they are ready to undertake the APM PPQ.

## How are candidates assessed?

The new syllabus covers three units:

- Effective leadership and management.
- Effective governance and control.
- Effective planning and control.

The PPQ tests the candidates skill and capability to perform in a specific environment. There are three parts to the assessment, comprising of:

- Scenario assessment (10 minutes preparation, 20 minute assessment).
- Oral exam (50 minutes).
- Project report (60 minutes).

"I believe achieving the PPQ will help build my professional status, demonstrate my capability as a project manager and my commitment to the profession."

Fadiya Ahmed Meng  
Senior Project Manager  
Whitehead Allen

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Raise your project management to the next  
level

The PPQ 2nd edition is assessed in a way that is dynamic, challenging and more akin to the environment to project professionals. Alignment to APM's Body of Knowledge and Competence Framework continues.

Provek is able to offer candidates a unique specialist support package for the PPQ, building on our experience of support for PPQ 1st edition, Chartered ChPP accreditation (and historically PQ and RPP).

## Specialist support

- Through our unique PMA online assessment and consultation with Provek we will identify your strengths, development gaps and overall readiness to take the PPQ assessment.
- Following this you will attend our PPQ Preparation Workshop providing you with expert guidance through the three stages of the assessment.
- By the end of the day you will have a greater understanding, experience and confidence in what to expect when taking your PPQ.
- You will receive a report following the workshop, recommending how you can bridge any gaps prior to exam day.
- Delegates are required to complete 7 hours of pre course study prior to attending the workshop.

## Organisational benefits

- Supporting employees in achieving PPQ demonstrates a commitment to developing the best talent across your project community.
- Develops the right skills for the right roles.
- Demonstrates a commitment to delivering successful projects.
- Raises the profile and standard of project management within your organisation.

## Why use Provek specialist support

- The assessment is a challenging process.
- To help those who should pass to avoid failing.
- To ensure a candidates considerable preparation time is well spent.
- To enable a candidate to do full justice to the three stages of the assessment.
- Proven track record in PPQ, PQ, RPP and ChPP specialist support.
- Available to individual candidates through our public dates, and to organisations who wish to facilitate in-house workshops.

## Individual benefits

- Provides structured personal development to help progress your career.
- Enables you to engage more effectively and confidently with peers, clients and employers.
- Builds your professional status to help you stand out from the crowd.
- For those considering chartered (ChPP) status in the future, the new PPQ is a recognised qualification for route 1.

