

PMI-ACP® – Agile Certified Practitioner

Apply agile practices beyond a single framework, and prepare for the PMI-ACP exam with scenario practice.

DURATION

3 days · 24 hours

LEVEL

Intermediate

CURRICULUM

9 modules · 4 labs

DELIVERY

Live online, Onsite,
Corporate

Course overview

Agile teams rarely follow one framework exactly. They borrow from Scrum, Kanban, Lean and Extreme Programming, and they adapt as they learn. The PMI-ACP certification recognises practitioners who understand this wider toolkit and can apply it with the right mindset. This three-day course is aligned to the PMI-ACP exam and focuses on practical application.

Day one sets out the agile mindset: values and principles, the reasons behind them, and leadership practices such as servant leadership, psychological safety and team empowerment. Day two covers product: understanding customers, building and refining backlogs, prioritisation techniques, estimation, release planning and measuring value. Day three is about delivery: iterations and flow, Kanban metrics, technical practices, quality, continuous improvement and scaling considerations, followed by exam preparation.

Learning is activity-based. You will run a short simulated sprint, visualise work on a Kanban board and calculate flow metrics, practise prioritisation and story splitting, and facilitate a retrospective. These activities make the exam's scenario questions easier, because you will recognise the situations they describe.

This course is aligned to the PMI-ACP exam as published by PMI, which requires agile training hours as part of eligibility. PMI has refreshed this exam recently, so confirm the current content outline, eligibility and fees on the PMI website before applying.

Highlights

- 24 hours of live, trainer-led sessions
- Covers Scrum, Kanban, Lean, XP and hybrid practices
- Simulations of planning, flow and retrospectives
- Scenario-question practice every day
- Mock exam with review

What's included

- Trainer with hands-on agile coaching experience
- Covers multiple agile frameworks and hybrid practice
- Sprint and Kanban simulations
- Facilitation practice for team events
- Daily scenario questions with explanations
- Mock exam with review
- Course completion certificate from Ace Skills Consulting

Who this course is for

Who should attend

- Scrum Masters and agile coaches
- Project managers working in agile or hybrid teams
- Product owners and business analysts
- Team leads and developers in agile teams

Prerequisites

- Experience working on agile projects, as required by PMI for eligibility
- Basic familiarity with Scrum or Kanban

Detailed curriculum — 3 days, 24 hours, 9 modules, 4 hands-on labs

Day 1 Mindset and Leadership

8 hours

1.1 Agile mindset

- Agile values and principles
- Lean thinking and waste
- Empiricism and adaptation
- Agile in hybrid environments

1.2 Leadership

- Servant leadership
- Self-organising teams
- Psychological safety
- Coaching and facilitation

1.3 Team practices

- Working agreements
- Conflict in agile teams
- Collaboration and communication

LAB Create a team working agreement · 30 min

Day 2 Product

8 hours

2.1 Customer value

- Personas and customer journeys
- Validating assumptions
- Minimum viable product

2.2 Backlogs and prioritisation

- User stories and acceptance criteria
- Prioritisation techniques
- Story splitting
- Backlog refinement

LAB Split and prioritise a product backlog · 45 min

2.3 Planning and estimation

- Relative estimation
- Release and roadmap planning
- Velocity and forecasting

Day 3 Delivery and Exam Readiness

8 hours

3.1 Iterations and flow

- Iteration events
- Lead time, cycle time and throughput
- Kanban boards and WIP limits

LAB Run a mini sprint and Kanban simulation · 60 min

3.2 Quality and improvement

- Technical practices from XP
- Retrospectives
- Definition of done
- Scaling considerations

LAB Facilitate a retrospective · 30 min

3.3 Exam readiness

- Scenario questions
- Mock exam and review

Skills and tools

Skills you will build



Tools used in class



Certification exam

This course is aligned to the exam below and prepares you for it. The exam itself is booked and taken with the vendor.

Exam	PMI Agile Certified Practitioner (PMI-ACP)
Exam code	PMI-ACP
Official page	https://www.pmi.org/certifications/agile-acp

Exam skill areas covered

Leadership

Exam details are pending verification. Confirm the current exam code, format and fee on the official vendor page before booking.

Frequently asked questions

Does this course meet the training-hour requirement?

The course provides 24 hours of agile training. Check the current PMI-ACP eligibility rules on the PMI website to confirm how many hours you need.

How is PMI-ACP different from CSM or PSM?

CSM and PSM focus on Scrum. PMI-ACP covers a broader range of agile approaches and practices.

Is the exam fee included?

No. You apply and pay directly with PMI.

Do I need PMP first?

No. PMI-ACP is independent of PMP, though many professionals hold both.

Book a batch or talk to an advisor

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