Supply Chain Project Management: Vendor Selection and Management

Learn how to apply the project management knowledge areas to selecting the right vendors and managing your strategic supplier relationships to align with your business objectives.

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course provides a deeper understanding of A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) knowledge areas of project integration and procurement applied in the supply chain vendor selection and management process. To keep pace with the continuous moves toward outsourcing of operations and the advancement of technology, companies need to focus on selecting the right suppliers and partnerships to provide the most value to their customers and to remain profitable. This course provides the knowledge, skills, and tools to ensure that you are selecting the right supply chain partners (including 3PL’s) based on your business goals. Emphasis is placed on understanding alternative techniques for supplier selection including applied quantitative decision making techniques.

THIS COURSE WILL ENABLE YOU TO
• Understand the common types of supply chain selection projects
• Ensure stakeholder alignment through the supply chain project lifecycle
• Manage a supply chain selection project including defining operational requirements, the RFI/RFQ/RFP process, and selecting the right vendor
• Use decision matrices to drive objective, consensus-driven selections
• Understand the supply chain solution provider landscape and types of systems available on the market
• Understand the best practices when selecting the right partners based on the PMBOK® project Integration and Procurement Knowledge areas
• Monitor and measure vendor performance as part of the selection process
• Understand the legal and ethical considerations for vendor selection

COURSE TOPICS
• Review of PMBOK® focus areas for the course
• Overview of managing a supply chain selection project
• The role of benchmarking in evaluating and selecting solutions
• Overview of the third party logistics provider market
• Overview of supply chain solution providers (WMS, TMS, OMS, ERP, etc.)
• Understanding RFP, RFI, and RFQ
• Planning the solution evaluation and RFP process
• Application of decision theory and matrices in driving consensus
• Supply chain vendor selection best practices
• Common pitfalls in supply chain vendor selection & management
• Contract administration & management
• Legal & ethical vendor management/project considerations

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*Members of APICS, AST&L, CSCMP, INFORMS, Supply Chain Leadership Council, and WERC receive the “Organization Discount Price” for each course.

†To receive the “Certificate Program Course Price” for this course, you must prepay in one payment for all courses required to earn a certificate.
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SUPPLY CHAIN PROJECT MANAGEMENT (SCPM) CERTIFICATE

Individuals who can manage complex supply chain projects and programs are in high demand. These courses help prepare students for project management certification while going beyond that—in preparing students for the complexities of managing projects in the multi-functional supply chain environment. Participants learn techniques to be successful in key areas such as: vendor selection and management, change management concepts, and cross-organization collaboration.

Complete this course and earn 2.1 CEUs toward the Supply Chain Project Management Certificate.

HOW THE SCPM CERTIFICATE WORKS

Take four courses within four years to receive your Supply Chain Project Management Certificate. Required SCPM courses include:

- Supply Chain Project Management Fundamentals
- Supply Chain Project Management: Vendor Selection & Management
- Supply Chain Project Management: Effectively Managing Transformation Projects

Participants may choose any two courses in the SCM, DOAD, SSSM, LSCP, SDP, or the Supply Chain Fundamentals Program series for their electives.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UNITS

Professional Society members can apply course attendance to meet certification or recertification requirements.

Space is Limited! Reserve Your Seat Today at pe.gatech.edu/scpm-vendor

COURSE INSTRUCTORS

John Szoke brings 15 years of hands-on supply chain experience to his role as a Lean Deployment Executive at LeanCor. In his current position, John works with organizations on end to end consulting projects to understand and advance their supply chains, using the lean supply chain principles to identify waste in processes and develop sustainable improvements.

Tim Brown is the Managing Director of the Georgia Tech Supply Chain & Logistics Institute. Tim is an experienced supply chain executive with proven ability to manage large cross-functional teams, identify, design, implement innovative business solutions, and build sustained client relationships.

Tim has a diversified background in retail, consumer products, e-commerce, automotive, industrial goods and services, logistics, and government. Tim has designed innovative supply chains from the ground up and directed supply chain transformation implementations across multiple verticals and service offerings including Warehousing & DC Design, Labor Management, Transportation, Order Fulfillment and Business Intelligence and Analytics for a large list of companies of all sizes.

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