

PROFESSIONAL SCRUM MASTER

A Professional Scrum training course created by
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The Scrum.org mission is to improve the Profession of Software Delivery.

As part of our mission, Scrum.org provides the highest quality Scrum training, including the most advanced training materials and certified Professional Scrum Trainers (PSTs) to deliver it. The curriculum and courseware are highly-tuned and standardized.

Training materials are created and maintained by Scrum co-creator Ken Schwaber with the Scrum.org PST community, helping to ensure that they are always in tune with what's happening in software development organizations and always up-to-date with the latest practices.

Courses are provided around the world. Our PSTs can work with you to plan a private course to meet your organization's specific needs. For globally distributed organizations, our PSTs work together to provide training for your staff wherever they reside, ensuring that they are all learning the same thing. Consistent training is critical for large scale efforts where many teams are working together on the same products.

Our trainers bring their own style and experience to courses, but all trainers use the same materials around the world so that students are learning from the same content regardless of where the course is taught and who is teaching it.

Course Objectives



Students are challenged to think within the Scrum framework and the underlying values and principles to better understand what to do when returning to the workplace and facing complex decisions.

Have a clear understanding of the rules of Scrum through the empirical foundation of Scrum.



Students can act as a Scrum Master for Scrum Teams as well as stakeholders from an in-depth understanding of servant-leadership.



Effectively be able to start up Scrum or increase its effectiveness if already underway.

Course Description

The 2-day Professional Scrum Master course covers the principles and (empirical) process theory underpinning the Scrum framework, and the role of the Scrum Master in it. This course is a combination of instruction and team-based exercises, and teaches what is at the heart of the Scrum and Agile movement.

PSM is the cutting-edge course for effective Scrum Masters and for anyone coaching a software development team toward increased efficiency and effectiveness. The course includes advanced thinking for servant-leadership and behavioral shifts.

Throughout the course, students are challenged to think in terms of the Scrum principles to better understand what to do when returning to the workplace.

The PSM course is much more than just a set of slides and an instructor. In this course, students work on real-life cases with other classmates together as a team. This course is made up of discussions and hands-on exercises based upon real-life cases.

Who Should Attend?



The Professional Scrum Master course is for anyone involved in software development using the Scrum framework. It is particularly beneficial for those people within an organization accountable for getting the most out of Scrum, including Scrum Masters, managers, and Scrum Team members.

Course Topics



- Scrum theory and principles
- The Scrum Framework
- The Definition of Done
- Running a Scrum project
- Working with people and teams
- Scrum in your organization
- The role of the Scrum Master

Assessment Certification



All participants completing the Professional Scrum Master course will receive a password to attempt the PSM I assessment, and are also entitled to a discount on the PSM II and PSM III assessments. The industry-recognized PSM certifications require a minimum passing score on these rigorous assessments.

Additional Course Offerings

Scrum.org offers the following additional training courses, which are available publicly and privately.

- Professional Scrum Foundations
- Professional Scrum Master II
- Professional Scrum Product Owner
- Professional Scrum Developer
- Scaled Professional Scrum with Nexus
- Professional Agile Leadership - Essentials
- Professional Scrum with Kanban
- Professional Scrum with UX