

DIPLOMA IN QUALITY MANAGEMENT - LEAN SYSTEMS

The Lean Black Belt on Line Distance Learning Programme

Course Objective

This University of Limerick Diploma will provide education to a level of international best practice; at Black Belt in Lean systems to enable participating companies gain competitive advantage through the application of Lean principles to drive improvement with measurable results. A Company-based project will form a key element of the programme, ensuring the integration of the various concepts in the Participants' workplace. This project will need to result in significant cost savings for the organisation. This course is suitable for managers, engineers and supervisors who have responsibility for quality or continuous improvement within their organisation, and those who wish to develop knowledge and skills in the area of Lean systems.

Course Content

The programme comprises of four taught modules and a company based project:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lean Thinking/Lean Tools 1• Managing Technology Projects | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lean Thinking/Lean Tools 2• Leadership and Change Management |
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Entry Requirements

Relevant primary degree/recognised professional qualification and 1-3 years relevant industrial experience

OR

Portfolio of evidence of prior qualifications in quality management together with the application of learning or competence (e.g. green/black belt project reports, reflective papers or journals). Two references from appropriate signatories in the candidate's organisation will be accepted as evidence. Candidates may be required to attend an interview prior to enrolling on the programme.

Delivery

Delivery is a hybrid of traditional distance education and online learning together with a number of face-to-face tutorials (held on Saturdays). In addition, there are online discussions moderated by a subject matter expert on elements of each module, to reinforce the learning and maximise the benefit of the programme for participants. Students receive a learning pack containing course notes and relevant text books.

Key Information

DURATION	This programme is run over 2 Semesters
QUALIFICATION	Diploma in Quality Management Lean Systems
COST	€3,950 (inclusive of all course material and text books)
START DATE	September 2008 & February 2009
CLOSING DATES	June 20th (For September start) and 2nd January (for February start)

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