Why The Citadel is Right for You
The Citadel is ranked by U.S. News & World Report (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015) as the No. 1 Best Public University in the South offering up to a master's degree. Within The Citadel Graduate College, 95% of the faculty have PhD's or the highest degree offered in their particular discipline, which assures that students obtain the knowledge, skills and ideas needed to gain a competitive advantage in their career.

The Citadel is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council on Postsecondary Education. The Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accredits The Citadel to award Bachelor’s, Master’s, and Specialist degrees.

The courses in the Technical Program Management (TPgM) Graduate Certificate program are offered at the Lowcountry Graduate Center (LGC). Created through a partnership of the College of Charleston, The Citadel and the Medical University of South Carolina, the LGC was developed to expand the opportunities for graduate education in the region. The LGC is centrally located in North Charleston.

For more information about the LGC, visit www.lowcountrygradcenter.org.

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About the Program

The Graduate Certificate in Technical Program Management (TPgM) builds upon a student's prior knowledge and experience to introduce a comprehensive approach to managing multiple projects with a common or connected pool of resources. The mission of the TPgM program is to provide advanced education for career-minded professionals who seek to gain the knowledge and skills necessary to advance from managing single projects to the integrated management of multiple projects, portfolios, and programs.

The TPgM courses combine a well-developed body of knowledge with the application of concepts, processes, and tools and techniques. Standard project and program management processes are examined and integrated within a broad multidisciplinary context. Courses provide knowledge in executing corporate strategies and achieving organizational goals. Also investigated are the essential visionary, entrepreneurial, and motivational energies associated with good program management. In keeping with The Citadel focus on principled leadership, the courses emphasize program governance practices and processes.

Program Requirements

The Graduate Certificate in Technical Program Management is comprised of four graduate-level courses. In these courses, students engage in the development of the competencies required to align multiple projects to achieve a program’s goals in connection with optimized cost, schedule, and effort. It is strongly recommended that potential students possess applicable project and/or work experience in order to maximize the learning experiences.

Required Courses:

- PGMT 660: Overview of Technical Program Management
- PGMT 661: Legal and Contractual Aspects of Technical Project Management
- PGMT 662: Program Development Strategies and Processes
- PGMT 685: Decision and Risk Analysis

Up to four courses in the TPgM program may also be used as electives in completing the requirements for the Master of Science in Project Management.

Please see your advisor for eligibility and refer to The Citadel Graduate College catalog or the website at http://www.citadel.edu/pmgt for a complete list of admission requirements and course descriptions.

This graduate certificate is well suited for working professionals employed in the military, manufacturing, defense contracting, information technology, and other complex industries. Combining the program manager’s role with application of the program management processes, the learning experiences focus on:

- The interactions among portfolio, program, and project management
- Program governance and sustainment across the life cycle phases
- Maximizing the delivery of program benefits
- The operations of a program management office