LIS 4910: IT Project

(Fictitious) Project Management

Course Goals

- Major Goals:
 - Project Management
 - Term Project
- Secondary Goals
 - Using Project Software
 - Evaluating projects
 - Portfolio submissions
 - Communication, teamwork & leadership
 - Contacts

What is project management?

- Aligning projects & goals
 - More project success
 - Survival
 - Profitability and/or effectiveness
 - Increased capabilities
- Managing
 - time, resources, & capabilities

(Really) Basic Project Management

- Project charter
- Goal breakdown schedule (GBS)
 (Scope of Work)
- 3. Work breakdown schedule (WBS)
- 4. Project Schedule
- 5. Project Budget

1. Project Charter

- General description of:
 - What is being done.
 - Why it is being done.
 - Who wants it done.
 - How it is being done.
 - When does it need to be done.
 - Any resource limitations (may be time, knowledge)

2. Goal Breakdown Schedule

- Ensures alignment (project & organization)
- Identifies and documents
 - Goals
 - Objectives
 - Requirements
 - Specifications

Scope of Work?

- Evolves from project charter
 - Time
 - Cost
 - Performance objectives (specifications)
 - DELIVERABLES!!!
- Scope management
 - Planning, definition, verification, control
 - Also identifies
 - Exclusions, constraints, risks, & assumptions

3. Work Breakdown Structure

- PMI Format (?)
- List and short description of all tasks
 - Purpose
 - Identify tasks by number (and short name)
 - Estimate time required
 - Estimate resources (personnel & other)

PMI: Five Project Phases

- 1. Initiation
- 2. Planning
- 3. Execution
- 4. Monitoring & Control
- 5. Close-out

PMI: Five Project Phases



Project Timeline

4. Project Schedule

- Track project schedule and bottlenecks
- Shortest time to completion
- Estimating times is not easy
- For each task on the WBS identify
 - Task # (and short name)
 - Start date
 - End date
 - Who will do it

5. Project Budget

- Help control costs
- Reduce risk of cost overrun
- For each item on WBS identify
 - Cost of personnel
 - Cost of other items
- Summarize
 - Cost for each major task
 - Total project cost