

LEAN SIX SIGMA GREEN BELT CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS

Abbreviations: LSS = Lean Six Sigma, GB = Green Belt, BOK = Body of Knowledge

	MoreSteam	Villanova	ASQ
Training Requirements for Certification Candidates			
What training is required?	MoreSteam's Lean Six Sigma Green Belt course available via multiple sources (including ASQ)	Villanova's online LSSGB course (provided by Bisk Education)	Self prep for Exam. Many options but not required.
Prerequisite to GB training	None	None	3 Years work experience in Six Sigma GB BOK. Work experience full time, in paid role.
Length of Training Course	80 hours (entirely online; self-paced)	GB: 8 weeks (candidate attends on-line lecture series)	No specific training course is required.
University Affiliation	The Ohio State Univ. (OSU) Fisher College of Business; Cal Poly - Orfalea College of Business	Villanova University (partnership through University Alliance, an online training provider)	None
Data Analysis Software included with course	EngineRoom® (no additional charge)	No software provided	No specific training course is required.
Instructor support during training?	Yes	Yes	No specific training course is required.
CEUs Earned from course	8	4.5	No specific training course is required.
Cost of Training Course	\$1,900 (covers Lean Six Sigma GB BOK)	\$2,295	No specific training course is required.
Exam Requirements for Certification Candidates			
Comprehensive Exam	Online	Online	Computer-based Exam or Paper & Pencil Exam at testing facility
When can you take the exam?	Any time after completing coursework	Any time after completing coursework	Offered at designated testing sites (ASQ publishes the exam schedule online)
Reference materials allowed?	Reference books, notes, calculators & data analysis software	Reference books, notes, calculators & data analysis software	Reference books, notes, & scientific calculators; No programmable memory permitted on device
Passing Score for Exam	80%	70%	550/750 points

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Project Requirements for Certification Candidates			
Number of Original Projects Required	1	0	0
Project Type	Real-world project selected by individual	0	None
How much coaching is available for projects?	Coaching on Charter, Tollgates, and Final Project Review	Course instructor available	None
Original Project Documentation Required	Full documentation required for project; Submitted via TRACtion® online project tracking	None	None
Final Costs and Summary			
Cost for Certification Process	\$450	\$220 exam	\$438 (\$338 for ASQ full members)
Total Cost (Certification plus Training)	\$2,350 (EngineRoom software included)	\$2,515 (no software included)	\$438 + Training + travel and expenses for exam as needed
Training + Certification Timeline	Self-paced, up to 365 days (12 months)	56 days (2 months)	Varies according to individual's method of preparation, completion of project work, and exam schedule
Certification Standard	Adheres to independent LSS Green Belt Standards published by The Center for Operational Excellence (COE) at The Ohio State University	None mentioned	ASQ
Is there a Recertification Period?	5 years	3 years	None
Summary			
Summary of Certification Program	Training and certification package includes one-year access to courseware, 12 months access to project tracking tool and coaching for project review. MoreSteam certification culminates with a portfolio of completed real-life project work.	Training conducted via weekly online lectures (recordings are archived and remain accessible). No software provided or required in training. Passing score on exam is lower. No original project required.	Training is up to the individual. No project experience is required, just 3 years of experience with the BOK. Exam requires manual calculations.

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Cost Breakdown for Certification			
Green Belt Course	\$1,900	\$2,295	NA
Course Support	\$0	\$0	NA
Statistical Software	\$0 (EngineRoom software included)	No software included	NA
Certification Exam	\$0	\$220	NA
Project Costs	\$0	\$0	NA
Project Coaching	\$0	\$0	NA
Certification	\$450	\$220	\$438 (\$338 for ASQ full members)
TOTAL COST	\$2,350	\$2,515	\$438
TOTAL ACCESS	365 days (12 months)	168 - 224 days (6 - 8 months)	Varies
Additional Costs	One exam retake included. \$100 for second exam retake.	\$125 exam retake fee	\$238 exam retake fee