

Find Your Fit (Exercise #2)

This week's lesson in my course is PROJECT CHANGE MANAGEMENT. I used this as my search term. I added the word PROJECT to the search criteria to try to reduce articles on CLIMATE change and ORGANIZATIONAL change.

REFERATORIES

Oasis

Oasis returned a total of 4 results, all open access books. Although I was looking specifically for how change management is handled in a project, the results tended to be around Organizational Change and not specifically project change. One result returned was on Climate change.

MASON

Mason returned a very large number of results (1,905,551 results. The sidebar on the left allowed me to refine it to Project Planning and 28 results. These results contained a variety of resources from templates to Library of Congress material. Even though I selected the Project Planning subcategory, many of the results were either on Climate Change or topics unrelated to project change control.

GENERAL REPOSITORIES

eCampusOntario Open Libaray

This site returned a total of 89 results consisting of printed material. The site showed the most relevant items first with the first 2 being books on Project Management. After the first 2 return items, the search returned items that were not relevant to what I was searching for including – Leadership and Influencing Change in Nursing; The Ball is in Y(OUR) Court: Social Change Through and Beyond Sport and Disabilities in Haitian Schools:

This site provided additional search filters including Subjects, Additional Features, and Languages. The subject filter was extensive but not specific enough to include project management.

Merlot

This site returned a total of 72 results directly under the Merlot Collection Tab. Many of the results were templates that could be used for change management plans. There was also a good selection of project management books. Of the general Referatories/Repositories site I selected this site provided the most relevant search returns.

Merlot also allowed you to search other libraries and, on the web, by selecting tabs at the top of the screen. The web tab did provide more industry-specific search returns, featuring many from pmi.org which is the industry standard for Project Managers (Project Management Institute).

INDUSTRY-SPECIFIC SITE

Pmi.org

This is an industry-specific site for project management. A search on this site returned 13,118 results with a wide variety of search returns from Change Management to organization management. This site provided templates, industry talks, and documents. For a Project Manager, this would be the first site one would access. All articles included information on how to cite this article. PMI provides a key document for project managers called the PmBok (A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK Guide) – Sixth Edition. This is considered the bible for project management, if you copy any material from this book, it includes both MLA and APA citation automatically.

Refined Search used "**project change management**" NOT (organizational or climate)

On Mason using the refined search, I was able to find an excellent template called Change Management Plan Excel to use as an example to my class. It is a relatively new document (Sept 29, 2021)

The use of templates allows the students an excellent starting point in understanding what is required for Project Change Requests and provides them with the ability to modify it to their specific industry needs.

<https://www.merlot.org/merlot/viewMaterial.htm?id=773408724>

Merlot provided several resources under the OTHER LIBRARIES tab, I selected one from Scribd called Change Management a report on change management

<https://www.merlot.org/merlot/viewExtMaterial.htm?id=c7c35998ad5dd1cb74253aa46c17871c96c4cf0f>

My final article was from core.ac.uk. I select the dissertation called Project Change Management Tool by Mohd Ridzuan Mat Zin, June 2006.

<https://core.ac.uk/reader/301112808>

As my topic was very specific, I found the number of relevant search returns to be limited. Search returns tended to be off-topic (Climate or Organizational Change).