

FAQs for Lean Six Sigma Green Belt program from Marymount University

1. *What is Lean Six Sigma?*

Lean Six Sigma is a process improvement program that combines two concepts:

Lean = a collection of techniques for eliminating waste and reducing the time in processes.

Six Sigma = a level of performance achieved from applying techniques to determine the root causes for defects and to implement sustainable solutions—all from a customer's perspective.

2. *Who should seek Lean Six Sigma Training?*

Professionals in health care, government agencies, financial services, defense and other occupations who seek to reduce waste and increase effectiveness inside their organizations. All those in a management position or those responsible for outcomes should understand the principles and tools to drive continuous improvement.

3. *Do I have to be good at statistics?*

No. While higher levels math tools can be applied, in most cases, a [pareto chart](#) and a [run chart](#) are more than enough to describe and fix the problem.

What does "Green Belt" mean?

A "Belt" signifies experience. Practitioners are given a "Belt" title (Master Black Belt, Black Belt, Green Belt, and Yellow Belt) that corresponds to their level of experience. This roughly corresponds to their hierarchy in martial arts, with darker colored belts indicating more experience (more training, more knowledge and skills). Green Belts will be able to improve a limited process and significantly contribute to the success on a large process improvement effort

4. *When I successfully complete the program, will I receive academic credits from Marymount University?*

No. Lean Six Sigma training is not a traditional academic program at the undergraduate or graduate level.

4. After successfully completing the course, you will receive a "Certificate of Completion" from Marymount of University indicating you have completed training in our Lean Six Sigma Green Belt program.

If you are interested in gaining a particular certification from a professional association, please consult that organization's certification requirements.

5. *Where will the program take place?*

Marymount's Lean Six Sigma program will take place at the university's Ballston location at:

Marymount University
4040 Fairfax Drive
Arlington, VA

Lunch will not be made available. There are several restaurant options surrounding the 4040 Fairfax location.