

Understanding Congressional Budgeting and Appropriations

Federal Budgeting in the Age of Deficits

Who has the most to gain in the budgeting process? Where are you most effective? Where does your power lie in the budget process? This engaging course explores basic congressional budget process concepts along with key players, their roles and relationships. Learn about discretionary and mandatory spending, the budget resolution and reconciliation process. Students also learn about the relationship of authorization and appropriations legislation. Hear real, modern-day examples that illustrate the process, and gain ample time to discuss concerns and roadblocks encountered with the budget process.

This course covers:

- The big picture of federal budgeting and spending
- The crucial difference between authorizations and appropriations
- What to expect and when in the budget process
- The relationship between appropriations and the budget resolution
- Using Internet resources to track and research congressional budget action

Leadership Competencies emphasized in this course: Financial Management

Agenda

- 8:30 Budgeting for Surpluses and Deficits
- 10:00 The Congressional Budget Process
- 11:10 Authorizations
- 12:10 Networking Lunch
- 1:10 Appropriations
- 3:40 Internet Resources for Researching Congressional Budgeting; Case Studies
- 4:10 Complete Evaluations; Course Concludes

Time and Dates

8:30 am to 4:10 pm

- December 1, 2009
- February 23, 2010—The President's Budget
- February 26, 2010—The Defense Budget
- May 13, 2010
- September 8, 2010
- December 1, 2010

See web site for course location in Washington, DC.

Registration Fee: \$595

To register, fax or mail completed registration form on inside back cover, or online.



Approved for .6 CEU credits from George Mason University.

Includes more than 75 pages of charts and documentation of the budget process.

Rave Reviews

"Anyone wanting to be current on the budget process should take this program."

"All managers/supervisors should know this [budget] process."

Director, National Institute of Postsecondary Education

"All employees working with legislation would gain keen knowledge in the budget process."

Unemployment Insurance Program Specialist, Employment and Training Administration, Dept. of Labor

"[Faculty] enthusiastic, experienced and encouraging. Also very effective at bringing audience members into discussion."

"Good refresher into process of budget enactment including reason for and behind process changes."

Workshop Attendee, General Dynamics Corporation

Related Training:

- Advanced Federal Budget Process: Integrating Performance and the Budget
- The President's Budget
- The Defense Budget

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