Accounting Academy: An Intensive Introduction to Governmental Accounting, Auditing, and Financial Reporting

August 3 – 8, 2015
Course Level: Basic • No Prerequisites
32 CPE Credits
Classes will be held at the GFOA offices:
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WHO WILL BENEFIT: Accountants and auditors new to the public sector.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW: Accountants and auditors new to the public sector must immediately face the daunting challenge of familiarizing themselves with the highly specialized rules, guidelines, and practices applicable to state and local governments. This intensive five-day workshop, intended for those who already possess at least a basic knowledge of private-sector accounting, combines lecture, discussion, and exercises to help newcomers make this difficult, but essential, transition.

ADVANCE PREPARATION: None

SEMINAR OBJECTIVES: Those who successfully complete this seminar should obtain a solid basic understanding of each of the following:

• The unique environmental factors that have led to specialized accounting and financial reporting for state and local governments;
• Fund accounting;
• Government-wide financial reporting;
• How to categorize and measure transactions and events;
• Budgetary reporting;
• Elements of a comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR);
• How to interpret state and local government financial statements;
• Specialized applications (pensions, other postemployment benefits, termination benefits, government combinations, service concession arrangements, capital assets); and
• Internal control and auditing in the public sector.

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE: The course will meet Monday from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and Friday from 8:00 a.m. – noon (Central Time). Check-in and distribution of seminar materials will take place from noon – 1:00 p.m. on the first day of the seminar.

REGISTRATION FEES: GFOA Member $1,100/Nonmember $1,500

HOTEL INFORMATION: See reverse for details.

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**Program Location**
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**Hotel Information**
Hyatt Place Chicago River North, 66 West Illinois Street
Phone: 312-735-1600, Fax: 312-735-1601

- Room Rate: Single/Double: $179 plus 16.39% tax (or prevailing government per diem)
- Based on availability, GFOA’s group rate is valid until July 3, 2015.
- Should the GFOA block fill up or if reservations are made after this date, reservations will be accepted on an overall hotel space availability and may not qualify for the GFOA discounted rate.
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