LEadership Academy

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College of Charleston
Charleston, SC

Government Finance Officers Association
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Enhance your leadership skills and advance your career.

The GFOA Leadership Academy at the College of Charleston provides senior public and government finance professionals an opportunity to bolster their leadership and management skills to better serve their communities.

Through sessions and self-assessments, participants will:

› Optimize their technical knowledge and abilities to enhance their leadership skills
› Gain new ideas to improve their organizations and communities
› Learn from and be inspired by industry-leading speakers and change agents
› Be more prepared to lead teams, steer organization vision, and manage multiple stakeholders
› Hone their abilities to handle difficult discussions, politically complex initiatives, and challenging executive roles
› Strengthen their networks through new connections with speakers and peer participants

The weeklong Leadership Academy offers participants an opportunity to step away from day-to-day demands and technical training and instead focus on leadership development.
The Leadership Academy

For over 30 years, the GFOA has held the Advanced Government Finance Institute (AGFI), where over 1,200 GFOA members gained invaluable lessons and tools for personal and professional development. The new Leadership Academy takes the key tenets from the Institute and expands the program to focus on organizational leadership and empowering finance officers to play an enhanced role in their governments.

Power-Packed Agenda

From the opening reception and dinner to the closing lunch, the week features a mix of sessions designed to spur individual learning, develop organizational insights, and nurture development of leadership skills. Sessions are intended to balance the role of the financial professional in state and local government with key trends in leadership for the public sector. Representative sessions include:

- Self-assessments and other behavioral insights designed to help participants understand how they work—and how they can best contribute to their organizations
- Leadership skills for the 21st century
- Characteristics of great organizations
- You and your organization
- Values of public service
- Case study preparation and presentations
- Leadership discussions and reflections, and more
Standout Speakers

Leadership Academy speakers will share their perspectives on the roles and responsibilities of state and local government officials in a complex and rapidly changing world. They will share career insights gleaned from research and hands-on leadership experience. The faculty roster includes:

**Alicia D. Caudill**
Executive Vice President for Student Affairs, College of Charleston

**John Nalbandian**
Professor Emeritus, University of Kansas School of Public Affairs & Administration

**Kimberly L. Nelson**
Associate Professor, University of North Carolina School of Government

**Robert O’Neill**
Executive in Resident, Joseph P. Riley, Jr. Center for Livable Communities

**Joseph P. Riley, Jr.**
Former Mayor, City of Charleston, SC

**Anthony A. Williams**
CEO, Federal City Council and Former Mayor, District of Columbia

**REGISTER NOW**
The Leadership Academy is limited to 35 participants. To apply to attend, please visit gfoa.org/leadershipacademy
Who Should Attend?
- Finance Directors
- Assistant Finance Directors
- Treasurers
- Department Managers or Directors
- Assistant City Managers
- City Managers

CPE Credits
Through participation in this weeklong event, attendees will earn 30 CPE credits

Cost
Tuition of $2,100 includes all speaker and working sessions, weekday lunches, and several dinners and receptions. It does not include the cost of travel or lodging.

Lodging
The Embassy Suites by Hilton Charleston Historic District is offering all participants a confirmed preferential rate of $199 per night plus taxes and fees. Listed on the National Register of Historic Buildings, the hotel offers complimentary WiFi and breakfast and is centrally located in Charleston.
ABOUT GFOA

The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) promotes excellence in state and local government financial management. It provides best practice guidance, technical resources, leadership, professional development and networking opportunities, award programs, and advisory services for more than 20,000 members and the governments they represent.

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