

## 2016 Education Calendar

Please note: ACCG makes every effort to keep the class schedule as it is published but from time to time changes may have to be made to this calendar. Our goal is not to cancel the classes you see listed but to add others if needed. Please watch the individual session registrations for changes and you will also receive notification of additions and/or other changes.

Class size may be limited – watch the individual session registrations for this information.

ACCG Attendance Policy: Participants must attend the entire class to receive credit. Partial credit will not be awarded.

### JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup>

#### LIFELONG LEARNING ACADEMY: "CATCH UP ON YOUR CORE"

#### CENTRAL GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

#### MACON-BIBB COUNTY

County Government 101

County Government Finance

Public Safety and Public Health

### MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup> AND 18<sup>TH</sup>

#### LIFELONG LEARNING ACADEMY: SPRING 2016

#### UGA TIFTON CAMPUS CONFERENCE CENTER

#### TIFTON/TIFT COUNTY

#### *March 17<sup>th</sup> Core:*

County Government Law

Economic Development

Property Appraisal and Taxation (Day 1)

#### *March 17<sup>th</sup> Specialty:*

Understanding the Benefits of Land Use Planning (ECD)

Understanding Leadership Styles (LD)

#### *March 18<sup>th</sup> Core:*

Human Resources

Property Appraisal and Taxation (Day 2)

#### *March 18<sup>th</sup> Specialty:*

Parks, Recreation and Active Living (QL/SI)

Water Management (COM)

Strategic Planning (CE)

### APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup> AND MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>

#### ACCG ANNUAL CONFERENCE

#### SAVANNAH INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND CONVENTION CENTER

#### SAVANNAH/CHATHAM COUNTY

#### *April 29<sup>th</sup> Core:*

Ethics

#### *April 29<sup>th</sup> Specialty:*

Mental Health and the Criminal Justice System: Costs and Implications (PS)

County Retirement Programs: What They Mean to Your Employee and Your Budget (COM)

Addressing Complex Community Issues (QL/SI)

Working with School Boards, Authorities and Other Partners (IR)

Developing Financial Policies (RF)

Management and HR Responsibilities (COM)

Global Commerce and Georgia's Targeted Industries (ECD)

Citizen Public Safety Initiatives (PS)

Civic Engagement (CE)

#### *May 2<sup>nd</sup> Core:*

Public Safety and Public Health

#### *May 2<sup>nd</sup> Specialty:*

Family and Children's Services (PS)

Revenue and Tax Policy (RF)

Leadership Team Building: Creating "We's" from "I's" (LD)

Using Incentives for Economic Development (ECD)

Fire, EMS and 911 (PS)

Public Works and Transportation (COM)

In Partnership With

## JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup> AND 10<sup>TH</sup>

LIFELONG LEARNING ACADEMY: SUMMER 2016  
EVERGREEN CONFERENCE CENTER  
STONE MOUNTAIN/DEKALB COUNTY

### June 9<sup>th</sup> Core:

County Government Finance  
Property Appraisal and Taxation (Day 1)

### June 9<sup>th</sup> Specialty:

Negotiation and Mediation (IR)  
Capital Improvement Planning (COM)  
Efficiencies in County Finance (RF)  
Revitalizing Your Community (ECD)

### June 10<sup>th</sup> Core:

Economic Development  
Property Appraisal and Taxation (Day 2)

### June 10<sup>th</sup> Specialty:

Understanding and Using Power and Influence Effectively (LD)  
County Insurance and Risk Management (COM)  
Demographics and Diverse Perspectives (QL/SI)  
Crisis Management (IR)

## JULY 13<sup>TH</sup> – 15<sup>TH</sup>

LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE  
MACON CITY CENTER, MACON-BIBB COUNTY

## AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup> - 19<sup>TH</sup>

LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE  
ACCG OFFICE, ATLANTA/FULTON COUNTY

## SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup> AND 30<sup>TH</sup>

LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
JEKYLL ISLAND CONVENTION CENTER, GLYNN COUNTY

### September 28<sup>th</sup> Core:

County Government Law  
Public Safety and Public Health  
*September 28<sup>th</sup> Specialty:*  
Arts, Culture & Tourism (QL/SI)  
Public Safety: Developing Collaborative Strategies and Practices (PS)  
Debt Financing (RF)  
Transparency in Government (CE)  
Motivation and Successful Leadership (LD)

### September 30<sup>th</sup> Core:

Ethics  
Human Resources  
*September 30<sup>th</sup> Specialty:*  
Technology Solutions (COM)  
Conflict Resolution (IR)  
Disaster and Emergency Preparedness: Commission Roles and Responsibilities (PS)  
Courts and the Justice System (PS)  
Public Health (QL/SI)

## NOVEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> – DECEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>

NEWLY ELECTED COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE  
UGA HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER  
ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY

### CERTIFICATION HOURS

- To receive **core certification**, participants must complete 9 required courses covering 66 hours. Upon completion county commissioners achieve the status of “Certified County Commissioner” and are eligible for a \$100 monthly stipend from their county.
- To obtain **Specialty Track certification**, participants must complete eight (8) courses in the track, a minimum of 5 must be primary courses with a maximum of 3 courses that are designated as cross-over courses.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION

In order to maintain core and specialty certifications, commissioners who took office on or after January 1, 2013 are required to earn 18 hours of continuing education annually. These hours can be earned by taking additional specialty courses and attending ACCG conferences and meetings including district meetings and policy committee meetings. Commissioners who took office prior to this date are also strongly encouraged to participate in continuing education opportunities.

### SPECIALTY TRACK CODES

CE – Citizen Engagement Track  
COM – County Operations & Management Track  
ECD – Economic & Community Development Track  
IR – Intergovernmental Relations Track  
LD – Leadership Development Track  
PS – Public Safety Track  
RF – Revenue & Finance Track  
QL/SI – Quality of Life/Social Issues Track

### WATCH YOUR PROGRESS!

Keep up with your ACCG Lifelong Learning Academy record through the ACCG Dashboard.

- If you were elected prior to 2012, your user ID is the first letter of your first name and your last name and your password is your county’s name. These should be all lower case (*For example, you are fictional commissioner John Doe from Campbell County. Your user ID would be jdoe, your password campbell.*)
- If you were elected in 2012 or later, your user ID is the first two letters of your first name and your last name and your password is your county’s name. These should be all lower case (*For example, you are fictional commissioner John Doe from Campbell County. Your user ID would be jodoe, your password campbell.*)

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