Course duration

• 2 days

Course Benefits

- Learn to create budgets.
- Learn budgeting terminology.
- Learn budgeting methods.
- · Learn about operating budgets.
- · Learn about manufacturing budgets.
- Learn about capital budgets.
- · Learn to analyze budgets.
- Learn about capital budgeting.

Available Delivery Methods

Public Class

Public expert-led online training from the convenience of your home, office or anywhere with an internet connection. Guaranteed to run .

Private Class

Private classes are delivered for groups at your offices or a location of your choice.

Course Outline

- 1. Basic Information
 - 1. Why Bother? Reasons Companies Plan
 - 2. The Planning Cycle
 - 3. The Basic Equation
 - 4. Four Necessary Ways to Present Every Plan
 - 5. Planning Philosophies
- 2. Effective Planning in Your Organization
 - 1. A Plan is a Social Document
 - 2. Standards of Precision
 - 3. Line and Level of Control
 - 4. The Information Frontier
 - 5. Rules for Jungle Fighters
- 3. How to Build Plans Efficiently

- 1. Work Plans, Deliverables and Resources
- 2. The Secret of the Five-Minute Budget
- 3. A Resource Checklist
- 4. How to Build a Strategic Plan
 - 1. How Long and Who Does It?
 - 2. The Mission Statement
 - 3. Analyzing the External Environment
 - 4. Analyzing Internal Capabilities
 - 5. Putting It All Together
 - 6. Example of a Strategic Plan
- 5. Annual Operating Plan Preliminaries
 - 1. Drafting Annual Goals
 - 2. Organizational Planning
 - 3. Creating a Fiscal Calendar
 - 4. Fiscal Managers
 - 5. Accounting System Tune-Up
- 6. How to Budget Sales
 - 1. A Five-Step Approach to Sales History
 - 2. Assumptions: Improving Your Vision of the Future
 - 3. Projections: Building a Chain of Inference
 - 4. Example of Sales Budget from Market Share
 - 5. Example of a Sales Budget from History
- 7. How to Budget Cost of Sales
 - 1. Different Approaches
 - 2. Examples of an Analytical Approach
- 8. How to Budget Labor Expense
 - 1. Policy Before Planning
 - 2. Appropriate Levels of Detail
 - 3. Payroll Calculations
 - 4. Handling Increases
 - 5. Labor Planning Tips
 - 6. Example of a Labor Budget
- 9. How to Budget Other Expenses
 - 1. Typical Approaches
 - 2. Examples of Budgets
- 10. How to Budget Depreciation Expense
 - 1. Depreciation Expense Is Complex
 - 2. Minimum Information You Will Need
 - 3. Quick Estimates of Depreciation Expense
 - 4. Example of a Depreciation Budget
- 11. Balance Sheet and Cash Plans
 - 1. Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Overview
 - 2. An Aside to Computer Users
 - 3. Example of a Balance Sheet Budget
- 12. Budget Reviews (from Both Sides)
 - 1. How to Conduct Budget Reviews
 - 2. How to Participate in a Budget Review

- 13. Planning and Executing a Budget Process
 - 1. General Advice
- 14. How to Create an Adjusted Plan
 - 1. What Is an Adjusted Plan?
 - 2. Adjusted Plans and Wiggle Room
 - 3. Managing Adjusted Plans
- 15. Forecasting and Controlling Results
 - 1. Creating Forecasts
 - 2. Using Plans to Improve Business Control
- 16. Budgeting fundamentals
 - 1. Overview
 - 2. Cash and master budgets
- 17. Reviewing budgets
 - 1. Analyzing budgets
 - 2. Justification and approval
- 18. Operating budgets
 - 1. Operating budget basics
 - 2. Operating budget terminology
 - 3. Operating budget methods
- 19. Manufacturing budgets
 - 1. Manufacturing budget basics
 - 2. Interpretation
- 20. Variance, forecasts, and action plans
 - 1. Variance and forecasts
 - 2. Action plans
- 21. Capital budgets
 - 1. Capital budget basics
 - 2. Discounted cash flow method
- 22. Capital budget analysis
 - 1. The capital budgeting process
 - 2. Capital budget evaluation

Class Materials

Each student will receive a comprehensive set of materials, including course notes and all the class examples.