2017 Education Calendar

Please note: ACCG will make every effort to keep the class schedule as it is here. However, from time to time there could be changes made. Please watch the final registration for final details.

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.

**NEWLY ELECTED CORE KICK-OFF**
Hilton Garden Inn Atlanta Downtown,
Atlanta/Fulton County
(in conjunction with Newly Elected Day at the Capitol on February 9)

*February 8*
- County Government Finance
- County Government Law
- Ethics

**SPRING TRAINING**
UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center,
Tifton/Tift County

*March 16*
- Property Appraisal and Taxation Day 1
- Economic Development
- Public Safety and Public Health
- Specialty: Leadership in Local Government (LD)
- Specialty: Managing Meetings (COM)

*March 17*
- Property Appraisal and Taxation Day 2
- County Government Finance
- Human Resources
- Specialty: Understanding Local Economic Development Assets (ECD)
- Specialty: Budgeting for Long-Term Fiscal Sustainability (RF)
- Specialty: Service Delivery Strategies (IR)

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE**
Savannah International Trade and Convention Center, Savannah/Chatham County

*April 28*
- County Government Finance
- Economic Development
- Ethics
- Specialty: Health and Wellness (QL/SI)
- Specialty: Effective County Government (CE)
- Specialty: Constitutional Officers (IR)
- Specialty: Commission-Staff Relations (COM)
- Specialty: Federal and State Budgeting (RF)
- Specialty: Law Enforcement in Counties (PS)
- Specialty: Managing Growth (ECD)

*May 1*
- County Government Law
- Human Resources
- Public Safety and Public Health
- Specialty: Board Dynamics (LD)
- Specialty: Intergovernmental Agreements (RF)
- Specialty: Air, Land & Water (COM)
- Specialty: Workforce Development (ECD)
**SUMMER TRAINING**
Mountain Creek Inn, Callaway Gardens
Pine Mountain/Harris County

*June 8*
- Property Appraisal and Taxation Day 1
- Ethics
- Specialty: Bringing People Together (CE)
- Specialty: Building Your City-County Relationships (IR)

*June 9*
- Property Appraisal and Taxation Day 2
- County Government Law
- Specialty: Collaborative Leadership (LD)
- Specialty: Identifying Resources for Community Enhancements (QL/SI)

**LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**
Union County Conference Center, Blairsville/Union County

*July 12-14*

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Union County Conference Center, Blairsville/Union County

*August 23-25*

**LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**
Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center, Augusta-Richmond County

*October 11*
- County Government Finance
- Economic Development
- Ethics
- Specialty: Insurance (COM)
- Specialty: Mental Health and the Criminal Justice System (PS)
- Specialty: Regional Cooperation (IR)
- Specialty: The Voice of Leadership (LD)

*October 13*
- Public Safety and Public Health
- Human Resources
- County Government Law
- Specialty: Retirement (COM)
- Specialty: Addressing Complex Community Issues (QL/SI)
- Specialty: Building Sustainable Communities (QL/SI)
- Specialty: Navigating Change (CE)

**LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**
UGA Hotel and Conference Center, Athens-Clarke County

*November 1-3*

**LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**
Lake Blackshear Resort and Golf Club, Cordele/Crisp County

*December 6-8*

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**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 full 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 full 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.)

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