Budgeting for Public Managers

Master the complex realities of public finance and budgeting

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Budgets play an integral role as a policy document, management tool, resource allocation plan, and financial plan. Understand the roles, responsibilities, and opportunities that administrators, elected officials, and the public face when developing, adopting, executing, and monitoring a public budget. This class costs \$225.

By the end of this class, you should be able to:

- 1. Explain the basic concepts and terminology of government budgeting and finance.
- 2. Explain the purposes of a budget for a public agency, including its role as a policy document, management tool, resource allocation plan, and a financial plan.
- 3. Describe the roles and responsibilities of managers, elected officials and the public in the development, adoption, implementation, and monitoring of a public budget.
- 4. Explain the basics of the governmental accounting and financial reporting systems.
- 5. Identify the essential steps, documents, and critical decision points in the budget development process.
- 6. Describe and analyze the strengths and weaknesses of different budget types and systems.

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Testimonials:

"I liked hearing about budgets from an administrators point of view. I do so much of the number crunching with our budget - it was good to hear about other aspects of budgeting."

"My background is not in finance, so this topic is completely new for me. I feel like I have a better understanding of the budgeting process and why it's so important."

"I was able to relate to the real-world scenarios that Bryan introduced. I think this makes the material easier to understand and reflect on."

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