



George Mason University

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Virginia Certified Public Manager® Program

PURPOSE. The program provides a comprehensive, competency-based executive education by promoting professionalism, excellence, and quality principles in public management and leadership.

Far Reaching Benefits:

1. Enhanced set of knowledge, skills, and abilities;
2. Improved ability to manage within the organization; and
3. Expanded network of professional colleagues.

SCHEDULE. Modules meet in-person, twice a month. Altogether, the program is comprised of approximately 300 hours – that is a combination of program orientation, instruction, readings, assignments, assessment, and a capstone.

APPROACH. The program is designed to enhance the careers of those in or dealing with the public service who seek new knowledge, want to connect communities of learning with practice.

Critical Need Topics:

- Multi-Level Governance
- Project Management and Performance Management;
- Budgeting and Financial Management; and
- Human Resource Management.

ELIGIBILITY. Individuals working in and across all sectors – public, nonprofit, and private – are welcome to apply. Applicants need a high degree of conceptual ability, reading comprehension, and written and oral communication skills. Further, applicants who do not currently supervise staff but have responsibility for managing, coordinating, or overseeing a program area whose deliverable has an impact beyond their current work unit will also be considered.

REGISTRATION. To enroll as a candidate, please submit a completed application form along with providing unofficial copies of academic transcripts. The cost is \$4,000 (not including the main textbook, other readings, parking, and meals).

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