

Accounts Payable: From Accounting to Strategic Management

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Course Description

This comprehensive 5-day course transforms accounts payable professionals into strategic financial managers. Participants will learn advanced AP practices, process optimization techniques, and management strategies to elevate their department's role within the organization. The course covers everything from fundamental accounting principles to cutting-edge technologies and strategic financial management.

Learning Objectives

- Master advanced accounts payable practices and processes
- Implement effective internal controls and fraud prevention measures
- Optimize AP workflows using modern technologies and best practices
- Develop strategic financial management skills for AP professionals
- Enhance vendor relationships and negotiate favorable terms
- Improve financial reporting and analysis capabilities

Course Modules

Day 1: Foundations of Accounts Payable

- The role of AP in organizational financial health
- Key accounting principles for AP professionals
- AP terminology and documentation
- Regulatory compliance and best practices

Day 2: Process Optimization and Technology

- Streamlining invoice processing workflows
- Implementing automation and AI in AP
- Electronic payments and virtual credit cards
- Data analytics for process improvement

Day 3: Risk Management and Internal Controls

- Fraud detection and prevention strategies
- Designing effective internal control systems
- Vendor master file management
- Audit preparation and support

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Day 4: Strategic Financial Management

- Working capital optimization techniques
- Cash flow forecasting and management
- Vendor relationship management and negotiations
- KPIs and performance metrics for AP

Day 5: Leadership and Innovation in AP

- Transforming AP into a value-added function
- Change management and team leadership
- Emerging trends and technologies in AP
- Developing a strategic roadmap for AP excellence

Practical Wins for Participants

- Implement an optimized AP workflow that reduces processing time by 30%
- Develop a comprehensive fraud prevention strategy
- Create a vendor management system that improves relationships and terms
- Design a strategic AP roadmap aligned with organizational goals

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