Leadership Development Courses

The Civic Leadership Academy (CLA) is offered by the Center for Governmental Studies at Northern Illinois University as a leadership skills development program for leaders and managers in government and nonprofit agencies. Participants may take individual workshops or complete a series of courses towards the goal of earning a general Certificate of Achievement or specialized Certificate of Achievement. For more information visit cgs.niu.edu/CLA

“Leaders as Change Agents”
Thursday, August 28, 2014 — 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Prairie State College, Conference Center, Room 1318
Registration Fee: $90

For leaders, change and all that it encompasses in the workplace, can be one of the greatest challenges they can be involved in; however, it can also be the most exciting time within their career. Participants will gain understanding in knowing what the roles and responsibilities of leaders as change agents and the difference between a manager and a leader.

Key Objectives
• Preparing for the consequences of change
• Gain communication strategies to facilitate dialogue around change events
• Understand the role of strategic planning within change initiatives
• Understand how to measure the success of change initiatives

“Leadership for Elected Officials”
Thursday, September 11, 2014 — 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Prairie State College, Conference Center, Room 1318
Registration Fee: $90

Public administration involves the application of many different legal principles. From the Freedom of Information Act, to the Open Meetings Act, to the roles and responsibilities of elected officials and staff, to mandates from the State and Federal governments, there are a multitude of considerations to be made when approaching your role in local government.

Key Objectives
• Learn which laws have a major impact on the administration of local government operations
• Discern the differing roles and responsibilities of elected officials and staff

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