

PMPEI Announces 2010 Train-the-Trainer Session

The PA Municipal Planning Education Institute will hold a train-the-trainer class to prepare new instructors to teach *The Course in Community Planning*. It will be held April 16 and 17, 2010 in State College. If you are interested in helping local planning and zoning officials learn how to effectively carry out their planning responsibilities consider becoming a PMPEI Certified Instructor.

PMPEI is Pennsylvania's primary education outreach program for planning commissioners, zoning board members, zoning officers, and elected officials. The Institute is a collaborative effort of the Pennsylvania Chapter -American Planning Association and Penn State University Cooperative Extension. *The Course in Community Planning* is one of PMPEI's four, 10-hour, in-depth courses that are presented throughout the Commonwealth.

The train-the-trainer session is a fast-paced 16 hour program over two days in which new instructors review and discuss the course materials, techniques for teaching adults, how to team teach with other instructors, and ways to present the course material to make it exciting and understandable. Upon completion of the training instructors become certified to teach *The Course in Community Planning*, for which they receive compensation and travel expenses. CM credit for AICP members is pending.

The train-the-trainer class will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in State College, Friday and Saturday, April 16 and 17, 2010. Citizen and professional planners with a minimum of five year's experience in planning are eligible to become certified instructors. The registration fee for the training is \$160, which includes instruction, materials, meals, and breaks. The deadline for applications is May 31, 2010. For more information or an application for the training contact Stan Lembeck, AICP, at (814) 237-2382, or email sml1@psu.edu. For information about the Institute and its courses check the PMPEI website- <http://cax.aers.psu.edu/pmpei/>.

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