# **Business Writing Basics: Write it Right**

Wednesday, May 14, 2014, at the U.Va. Richmond Center, Half-day—9:00 am-12:00 pm



## **Program Preview**

The ability to write a good business letter is as important as dressing appropriately for work: both reflect who you are. In fact, your business contacts may know you only through your written correspondence. A clear, concise business letter reflects well on you and your organization. Good business writing communicates exactly what you mean to say in a way that the reader will understand; a wellwritten letter, memo, or email will help you get the results you want.

In this course, you will learn 8 basic steps to writing effectively, including organizing your thoughts, analyzing your audience, and enlivening your message using simple, clear language.

This workshop will help you to

- ▼ assess your audience
- ▼ determine and prioritize your key points
- ▼ use clear, concise language rather than technical jargon and out—of—date words and phrases
- ▼ strengthen your writing weaknesses

## **About the Trainer**

Cindy Taylor is a learning consultant with Chesterfield University where she teaches in the schools of Quality and Continuous Improvement, Leadership and Personal Effectiveness, and Policy and Practice. Previously she implemented the county's first Employee Relations Unit. After 25 years of human resource management experience, Cindy's areas of expertise include employee relations; organizational development, supervisory training, and evaluation; mediation; professional certification; facilitation; and MBTI°. An active member of the International Public Management Association for Human Resources (IPMA-HR), Cindy is a contributing author to the Kouzes and Posner Leadership Challenge Activities Book and to Leadership Secrets of Local Human Resource Officials published by ORACLE and IPMAHR. She has a BA from Virginia Tech and an MA in public administration from George Mason University.

## **Who Should Attend**

Frontline employees, supervisors, managers—anyone who prepares business communication

## **Program Details**

#### Date & Time

Wednesday, May 14, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

#### Location

U.Va. Richmond Center, 804/662-7464 2810 N. Parham Road, Suite 300, Richmond VA 23294

#### **Travel Directions**

http://www.scps.virginia.edu/locations/location-detail/richmond

#### Cost

\$50, includes course materials.

Payment or PO# must accompany registration.

#### Cancellations

A \$20 fee will be charged for cancellations made by May 7. Cancellations after that date and no-shows will be charged the full registration fee.

## **Online Registration**

Please call the Virginia Institute of Government at 804/371-0202 for your account password. Then you can register online at: http://www.coopercenter.org/customer-portal

For more information, please visit www.VaInstituteofGovernment.org

# **Onsite Training**

Let us bring the classroom to you. For details contact Billie Easton < bee2u@virginia.edu > 804/371-0202.

## **Questions?**

Contact or Andrew Campbell < atc6n@virginia.edu > or Billie Easton < bee2u@virginia.edu > or call 804/371-0202.

## **Registration Form**

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