

Frequently Asked Questions

Course Title: Critical and Creative Thinking for Transformational Auditing

Course #: 5803

Duration: 2 Days

Delivery Method: Instructor-led online (synchronous)

Alternative Delivery Methods: Instructor-led live classroom

1. What business or organizational need does this course address?

Learn how to apply critical and creative thinking to identify significant issues, risks, opportunities, and solutions in government audit environments. In this course, you will explore characteristics of critical thinkers and strategies for overcoming common thinking patterns that can affect audit judgment. Participants will practice using practical tools and approaches, grounded in *Government Auditing Standards* (the *Yellow Book*), to support professional judgment and professional skepticism throughout planning, fieldwork, reporting, and follow-up.

2. Who should attend?

This course is intended for government auditors, analysts, evaluators, and investigators at all levels who want to build critical and creative thinking skills for identifying problems, root causes, implications, opportunities, and practical solutions.

3. What will I learn how to do in this course?

- Explain the role of critical thinking as an essential skill for sound audit judgment and decision-making
- Identify strategies for overcoming common barriers to critical thinking in audit work
- Apply critical and creative thinking strategies to improve audit analysis and recommendations
- Use various tools and strategies to generate ideas addressing audit problems

4. What kinds of activities are included in this course?

Individual, small-group, and large-group exercises; lecture, discussion, case study, action planning

5. Are there prerequisites for this course?

There are no prerequisites for this course.

6. Do I have to complete any prework for the course?

There is no prework required for this course.

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7. Is this course applicable toward a professional certification?

No, this course is not applicable toward a professional certification. However, many Management Concepts courses do prepare you for professional certification programs. Click [here](#) to see a full list of professional certification programs that are supported by Management Concepts training courses.

8. Does this course count for credit toward a Management Concepts Certificate Program?

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9. What credits do I earn by completing this course?

The following credits are available for this course:

NASBA CPEs: 16

NASBA Field of Study: Auditing

CEUs: 1.3

PDUs: 14

CLPs: 16

10. What course(s) do you recommend after I complete this course?

- [Leadership Skills for Auditing Organizations](#)
- Effective Audit Briefings, Status Meetings and Presentations
- [Keeping the Audit on Track: Critical Skills for Audit Managers](#)
- [Auditing Fundamentals in the Federal Government](#)
- [Audit Interviews: Skills for Success](#)
- [Key to Audit Success: Focus on Objectives](#)
- [Audit Boot Camp](#)
- [Preparing High-Impact Audit Reports](#)

11. What are Additional Features?

Most courses and training solutions have **Additional Features** designed to help every learner master and retain the concepts explored in the course. You can see which Additional Features are added to this course on the course page under the **Learning Objectives & Additional Features** tab – and for a more detailed exploration of our Additional Features, you can visit [this web page](#).