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Dear Lifelong Learner,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the University of Tennessee Center for Professional Education & Lifelong Learning, where our team is dedicated to supporting your professional and personal growth. Our 2026 catalog of non-credit courses has been carefully curated to provide you with opportunities to enhance your skills, explore new interests, and achieve your goals.

Whether you are seeking career advancement, preparing for a new role, or simply pursuing a passion, our diverse range of courses is designed with you in mind.

From professional certificate programs including leadership, culinary arts, and supervisory management to personal enrichment courses in creative writing, photography, and personal finance, there is something for everyone.

You will benefit from expert instructors who bring real-world experience to the classroom and a supportive learning environment that encourages collaboration and growth.

Our non-credit certificate programs are focused educational offerings designed to help you develop specific skills or knowledge without earning academic credit toward a degree. These programs typically provide practical training and award a certificate upon completion, which can be used to enhance your résumé or demonstrate expertise in a particular area. Almost seven hundred of our learners completed a certificate program over the past year!

Also, new in 2026 is the opportunity for you to earn microcredentials in more than ten programs to help you stand out in today's competitive job market. A microcredential is a short, narrowly focused program where credentials can be earned in half the time it takes to complete a full certificate program.

***“We believe education is a lifelong journey. By enrolling in our non-credit programs, you are taking a major step toward unlocking your potential and achieving your aspirations.”***

We invite you to explore our offerings and discover how we can help you succeed. Thank you for choosing us as your partner in learning!

Darrin Devault, Director  
UT Center for Professional Education & Lifelong Learning



**ON THE COVER:**

Featured instructors Kelly Drummond, Kendall Chiles, and Alexia Georghiou consistently deliver exceptional expertise, engaging teaching methods, and unwavering dedication to empowering learners. We value their contributions—and the contributions of the rest of our large instructor network—to our lifelong learning community. Cover photo: Brianna Nelson



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CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION & LIFELONG LEARNING

# PROJECT MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE



In 2026, the UT Center for Professional Education & Lifelong Learning is proud to expand its highly regarded Project Management Professional (PMP) certification training program.

With the addition of new expert instructors and an increased number of sessions, we are committed to equipping more professionals with the skills and knowledge needed to earn this prestigious credential.

Our enhanced training offerings are designed to provide comprehensive preparation for the PMP exam, combining in-depth instruction, real-world project management strategies, and practical tools aligned with the latest industry standards. Whether you are advancing your career or stepping into a leadership role, our expanded PMP certification training will empower you to achieve your goals and stand out in today's competitive job market.

Here are four key benefits for a professional earning the Project Management Professional (PMP) credential:

## 1. Career Advancement Opportunities

The PMP certification is globally recognized and highly respected across industries, making it a valuable asset for professionals seeking promotions or leadership roles in project management.

## 2. Enhanced Earning Potential

PMP-certified professionals typically earn higher salaries than their non-certified peers.

## 3. Improved Project Management Skills

The certification process equips professionals with advanced knowledge of project management methodologies, tools, and best practices, enabling them to manage projects more effectively and efficiently.

## 4. Networking & Professional Growth

PMP certification provides access to PMI's global network of professionals, offering opportunities for mentorship, collaboration, and staying updated on industry trends through events and resources. Visit [etpmi.org](http://etpmi.org) for information about the East Tennessee PMI chapter.

**Be sure to follow our website at [cpell.utk.edu](http://cpell.utk.edu) for session dates.**



\$30 million more project professionals are needed by 2035 to fill the global talent gap.

33% of PMP holders reported higher median salaries than those without.

**Source:** Project Management Institute

# LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE

**Certificate requirements:** Four core courses and four electives. You will have two years from the start of your first course to complete the certificate. These courses may also be taken individually.

**NEW** Earn a microcredential and receive a digital badge by completing the Leadership Core Courses within one year.

Once you have completed the requirements for your certificate or microcredential, please complete the **Certificate Program Request Form:** <https://cpell.utk.edu/resources/certificate-request-form/>

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## CORE COURSES

### Beat the Clock: Learn to Be a Planner

This interactive course is designed to help you assess your daily interruptions, learn to better manage your time, and increase your level of productivity. Bring your schedule or calendar and learn how you can become a planner, not a procrastinator. During the session, you will learn nine proven time management strategies. We will also discuss how your improved time management skills will positively influence employee performance and productivity. If you are ready to implement some skills into your daily practice, then this course is for you. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based HR executive and board-certified coach Dr. Kelly Drummond's work encompasses human resources leadership, university-level professional instruction, and career and professional development coaching.

**Course #26WIPPD078**

Thu., 2/12/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD078**

Thu., 9/17/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Conflict Management Through Self Evaluation

This course provides you with the framework for win-win conflict outcomes through the self-profile. Learn to approach challenges and balance outcomes with tact, diplomacy, and resolution. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** A retired Air National Guard member, Tammie Smeltzer brings more than 20 years of experience in adult education. She has served in a variety of roles, including instructor, course manager, and director of education.

**Course # 26WIPPD749**

Thu., 3/5/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course # 26FAPPD749**

Tue., 10/13/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### Effective Feedback & Difficult Conversations

Effective communication during challenging times and situations determines our success or failure, and it is critical that supervisors effectively address behaviors that negatively impact individuals, teams, and organizations. Whether facing challenging team dynamics, issues with performance, mismanaged expectations, or basic bad behavior, this interactive course provides you with a framework for having difficult conversations and providing effective feedback. Effective communication builds positive relationships and fosters greater innovation, inclusion, and collaboration within your team and organization. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based HR executive and board-certified coach Dr. Kelly Drummond's work encompasses human resources leadership, university-level professional instruction, and career and professional development coaching.

**Course #26WIPPD108**

Thu., 3/19/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD108**

Wed., 9/30/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Goal Setting for Success

In this course, you will learn how to set reasonable goals and expectations for long-term and short-term success. We will focus on why to set goals, how to stick to them, and what pitfalls to avoid. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Naomi Asher is a Knoxville-based leadership and Enneagram coach who helps individuals and teams unlock their potential. With nearly two decades of nonprofit and executive experience, she brings humor, insight, and authenticity to every class.

**Course #26SPPPD1173**

Tue., 4/28/2026, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

**Course #26SUPPD1173**

Tue., 9/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

## **NEW** The Science and Practice of Humble Leadership - ONLINE

**Earn a microcredential and digital badge upon completion of this online course.**

Discover the potential of humility to inform highly effective leadership. This course is designed to engage you in thoughtful reflection of your own ego needs and how they can interfere with your best judgment as a leader. Along the way, we will teach the science and model the practice of humble leadership through a set of interpersonal and psychological skills grounded in meditative practice. You will learn to refine your basic leadership skills, quiet your ego, and practice humility when making crucial decisions. Through interactive lectures, numerous case studies, and entertaining discussion, we will help you make real the potential to put those you lead first while still meeting your own needs. Join us in this journey of discovery regarding what it means to be human and how to lead through the mindful practice of serving others. Required text for the course: Kaufman, J. A., & Peterson, A. M. (2023). *Leadership in Star Trek: Lessons from the Captain's Chair*. McFarland.

ISBN: 978-1476690445

**Fee: \$499**

**Instructors:** Aaron M. Peterson, Ed.D., and Jason A. Kaufman, Ph.D., Ed.D., are professors with over four decades of combined academic and practical experience in the areas of leadership, conflict engagement, psychology, and mind-body wellness. Drs. Peterson and Kaufman create a rigorous yet approachable environment in which their learners have the opportunity to engage.

**Course #26WIPPD1334**

Thu., 1/15/2026-1/29/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, 3 sessions

**Course #26FAPPD1334**

Thu., 10/1/2026-10/15/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, 3 sessions



## ELECTIVE COURSES

### **NEW** Executive Presence: Mastering Leadership & Influence

Articulate a compelling leadership story that connects personal values to professional goals and motivates others. This immersive three-hour program equips professionals with the skills to project confidence, communicate with impact, and lead with character. Drawing from real-world leadership examples—from Satya Nadella to Wayne Gretzky—you will learn how to craft a leadership narrative, influence without authority, and align your actions with your values. Through interactive exercises, role-play scenarios, and practical strategies, you will leave prepared to inspire trust, command attention, and drive results in any environment. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Alexia Georghiou holds an M.A. in counseling and is certified in leadership and management by Wharton Executive Education.

**Course #26SPPPD1327**

Wed., 5/6/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Communicating with Impact

You will learn to identify the characteristics of the four communication styles and to adapt your communication style to best meet others' needs. By recognizing our dominant style and developing the ability to identify traits in others, we can change our behaviors to interact with greater impact. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Randy Harms has over 35 years of professional development experience, building high levels of knowledge, skill, and behaviors that align business objectives with results.

**Course #26WIPPD018**

Wed., 2/25/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD018**

Wed., 9/9/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### The Energy Bus

Discover the transformative power of positive energy with Jon Gordon's Energy Bus Training Program. This engaging and dynamic course is designed to empower individuals and teams to overcome challenges, enhance productivity, and achieve their goals through the principles outlined in Gordon's bestselling book, *The Energy Bus*.

Required book: *The Energy Bus*

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership

and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26SPPPD1291**

Wed., 5/13/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1291**

Wed., 11/18/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Leadership 2026: The New Frontier

Are you ready for a fresh look at leadership? Whether you are an experienced leader or new to a leadership position, this course helps you understand the importance of various leadership styles in today's workplace. Topics include leadership self-assessment, five practices of exemplary leadership, the difference between leaders and bosses, and the lasting benefits of being a good leader. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26WIPPD1247**

Wed., 3/11/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD1247**

Wed., 9/9/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Listening to Hear: Enhancing Communication Skills

Communication and problem solving are critical skills for the 21st century. Join Alexia Georghiou, author of *Listening to Hear*, and learn how to develop a strong acumen in listening and utilizing empathy to manage conflict. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Alexia Georghiou holds an M.A. in counseling and is certified in leadership and management by Wharton Executive Education

**Course #26SPPPD1218**

Tue., 4/7/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD1218**

Thu., 9/3/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### The Power of Positive Leadership

Unlock the secrets to effective and inspiring leadership with Jon Gordon's The Power of Positive Leadership Training Program. Based on the principles from Gordon's acclaimed book, this course equips leaders with the skills to cultivate a positive culture, to build resilient teams, and to lead with optimism and authenticity. You will explore practical strategies for enhancing team performance, fostering trust

and collaboration, and overcoming adversity with a positive mindset. Through engaging workshops, real-world case studies, and actionable insights, this training program provides the tools to lead with positivity and drive sustainable success. Join us to transform your leadership approach and create a thriving, positive work environment! **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26WIPPD1290**

Wed., 3/25/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD1290**

Wed., 9/23/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Understanding Emotional Intelligence & Performance

Emotional Intelligence (EI) is the ability to manage both your own emotions and understand the emotions of people around you. In this course you will learn your own EI score as determined in the book, *Emotional Intelligence 2.0*. And you will learn how to use your personal and social competencies to improve your work performance, increase your leadership abilities, how to make better decisions, and how to decrease your stress level in the workplace. By giving yourself permission to feel, you will gain a unique perspective on becoming your best self—personally and professionally. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based HR executive and board-certified coach Dr. Kelly Drummond's work encompasses human resources leadership, university-level professional instruction, and career and professional development coaching.

**Course #26SPPPD1266**

Thu., 5/14/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1266**

Thu., 11/12/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

# HUMAN RESOURCES CERTIFICATE

**Certificate requirements:** Four core courses, three electives, and one technology course. You will have two years from the start of your first course to complete the certificate. These courses may also be taken individually.

**NEW** Earn a microcredential and receive a digital badge by completing the Human Resources Core Courses within one year.

Once you have completed the requirements for your certificate or microcredential, please complete the **Certificate Program Request Form:** <https://cpell.utk.edu/resources-certificate-request-form/>

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## CORE COURSES

### Compensation & Benefits Overview & Best Practices

Compensation and benefits systems are vehicles for attracting, motivating, and retaining employees. In this course we will explore current trends and approaches to compensation and benefits programs. **Fee: \$239**

**Instructor:** Amy Zubko Jordan, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, is a seasoned HR professional, holding an MBA from the Haslam College of Business, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

**Course #26WIPPD010**

Fri., 1/23/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Course #26FAPPD010**

Fri., 11/13/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

### Effective Feedback & Difficult Conversations

Effective communication during challenging times and situations determines our success or failure, and it is critical that supervisors effectively address behaviors that negatively impact individuals, teams, and organizations. Whether facing challenging team dynamics, issues with performance, mismanaged expectations, or basic bad behavior, this interactive course provides you with a framework for having difficult conversations and providing effective feedback. Effective communication builds positive relationships and fosters greater innovation, inclusion, and collaboration within your team and organization. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based HR executive and board-certified coach Dr. Kelly Drummond's work encompasses human resources leadership, university-level professional instruction, and career and professional development coaching.

**Course #26WIPPD108**

Thu., 3/19/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course # 26SUPPD108**

Wed., 9/30/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**NEW Behavioral & Competency-Based Interviewing: Hire Smarter, Not Harder**

Are you tired of investing time and resources into hires that don't work out? Your interview process is the single most important tool for building a successful team. This course provides the modern techniques you need to make your hire the right hire. Move beyond generic questions and learn to conduct interviews that deliver real results. We will dive deep into behavioral and competency-based strategies that give you a clear picture of a candidate's future performance. You will walk away with the skills to confidently navigate the entire selection process, from asking the right questions to avoiding common legal pitfalls and creating an engaging onboarding

experience. Transform your interviews from a simple conversation into a powerful predictive tool. Learn the secrets to selecting, hiring, and retaining the very best talent. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based HR executive and board-certified coach Dr. Kelly Drummond's work encompasses human resources leadership, university-level professional instruction, and career and professional development coaching.

**Course #26SPPPD1324**

Thu., 4/30/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1324**

Thu., 11/5/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Onboarding: Creating a High Return on Your Hiring Investment

In this course you will learn how to create an onboarding experience that will engage, motivate, and retain new hires and deliver a high return on your recruiting and hiring investment. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Amy Zubko Jordan, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, is a seasoned HR professional, holding an MBA from the Haslam College of Business, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

**Course #26WIPPD161**

Fri., 2/6/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD161**

Fri., 12/4/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

## ELECTIVE COURSES

**NEW Civility in Action: Embracing Diversity & Building Inclusive Workplaces**

In today's diverse workplaces, true leadership means fostering civility, respect, and belonging across differences. This interactive workshop equips professionals with practical skills to engage respectfully with colleagues from varied cultural, linguistic, and religious backgrounds, including newcomers, immigrants, and those with different perspectives or accents. Through guided reflection, real-world scenarios, and actionable strategies, you will learn to recognize and to manage bias, communicate inclusively, and create a welcoming environment for all. Leave with a personalized civility plan and ready-to-use tools to strengthen relationships, enhance collaboration, and build a culture where every voice is valued. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Alexia Georghiou holds an M.A. in counseling and is certified in leadership and management by Wharton Executive Education.

**Course #26WIPPD1328**

Thu., 3/5/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1328**

Thu., 10/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon



**NEW Building a Better Safety Culture**

In this hands-on, minds-on workshop, you will explore what it truly means to build a strong, proactive safety culture, one brick at a time. Using the LEGO® Serious Play® methodology, this interactive session invites team members to reflect on their personal role in safety, to co-create a shared vision for what an ideal safety culture looks like, and to uncover the barriers that may be getting in the way. Through individual and group builds, storytelling, and powerful reflection, you will leave with renewed ownership, actionable insights, and a tangible commitment to make safety a shared priority. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26WIPPD1314**

Wed., 3/18/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD1314**

Wed., 9/30/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**NEW HR as a Strategic Business Partner**

In this hands-on workshop, you will learn what it really means to be a strategic business partner and how to shift their HR work from reactive to proactive. You will learn how to connect HR activities to business goals, build influence with stakeholders, and prioritize work that truly matters. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Preston Sharpston, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, is a talent strategy leader with over 10 years of experience leading HR and recruiting functions. A featured speaker at DisruptHR, RecFest, and industry webinars, Preston's insights have also been featured by publications like *Forbes Advisor*, *Restaurant Dive*, *HR Grapevine*, and more.

**Course #26WIPPD1339**

Thu., 2/19/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD1339**

Thu., 8/20/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon



**NEW From Recruiter to Strategic Talent Partner**

Hiring is more than filling roles: it's a strategic function that drives business success. This hands-on workshop helps company leaders, HR professionals, and recruiters evolve into trusted talent partners. You will learn how to build scalable hiring systems, align recruiting with business goals, and strengthen their partnerships with hiring managers. Through practical tools and real-world exercises, you will leave with the confidence and strategies to truly move the business forward. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Preston Sharpston, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, is a talent strategy leader with over 10 years of experience leading HR and recruiting functions. A featured speaker at DisruptHR, RecFest, and industry webinars, Preston's insights have also been featured by publications like *Forbes Advisor*, *Restaurant Dive*, *HR Grapevine*, and more.

**Course #26WIPPD1338**

Tue., 1/27/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SPPD1338**

Tue., 5/5/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD1338**

Tue., 9/29/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**NEW Discover the Power of DISC: Unlock Better Communication and Teamwork**

This engaging workshop helps you understand the four DISC personality styles—Dominant, Influential, Steady, and Compliant—and how they shape workplace interactions. Through interactive activities, self-reflection, and real-world applications, you will learn to identify your own style, recognize others' behaviors, and adapt your communication for greater impact. The program builds practical skills in teamwork, conflict resolution, and leadership, equipping you to leverage your strengths and flex your style to foster stronger, more effective relationships at work. Each learner will receive his own customized DISC report before the class.

**Fee: \$199 (includes the assessment fee)**

**Important note:** Registration will end 10 business days before the course to allow time for online DISC profiles to be completed.

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26WIPPD1315**

Wed., 2/25/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**NEW Check Your Ego: Working with Difficult People**

This course offers a transformative journey into understanding human behavior, designed to equip professionals with the tools to navigate complex relationships and tricky situations with grace and confidence. You will gain a deeper understanding of your own internal landscape and learn how to effectively interact with others by mastering key psychological concepts. This course is for anyone looking to enhance their communication skills, reduce workplace stress, and foster a more productive and harmonious environment. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Kimberly Bell is a seasoned instructor, REALTOR®/Broker, and speaker dedicated to delivering relevant educational material in today's changing world.

**Course #26SPPD1312**

Thu., 4/16/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1312**

Wed., 11/11/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Aligning HR with Organizational Strategies**

This course helps you develop an understanding of the fundamentals of human resource management and its strategic relevance in business. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Terrence Carter is a purpose-driven leader with a distinguished 35-year career spanning government, quasi-government, nonprofit, and private sectors.

**Course #26WIPPD039**

Tue., 3/31/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD039**

Tue., 8/25/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Building Effective Teams Through Communication**

An essential element of team building is effective communication. In this interactive course, you will discover your way of expressing yourself through verbal and non-verbal communication and learn how to find effective strategies for communicating with those you find more challenging to work with. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** A retired Air National Guard member, Tammie Smeltzer brings more than 20 years of experience in adult education. She has served in a variety of roles, including instructor, course manager, and director of education.

**Course #26WIPPD052**

Tue., 2/17/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD052**

Thu., 9/24/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Business & Financial Concepts**

Acquire the fundamentals of financial reporting and analysis, economics, and corporate finance. You will receive a high-level overview designed to familiarize supervisors with evaluating financial statements, understanding market forces of supply and demand, and making prudent corporate financing decisions.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Maryville-based financial professional Shane Smith, CFA, has worked in financial services for more than 14 years, helping clients with retirement planning, investment management, and tax preparation and planning.

**Course # 26WIPPD1169**

Thu., 3/5/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course # 26FAPPD1169**

Thu., 10/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**The Energy Bus**

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**Required book:** *The Energy Bus*

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26SPPD1291**

Wed., 5/13/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1291**

Wed., 11/18/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**What Am I Doing & Why Am I Doing It?**

This interactive course encourages you to do some self-reflection and gives you tools to better handle the challenges and stressors of the important work you do for your organization. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26SPPD1246**

Wed., 4/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1246**

Wed., 10/7/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**TECHNOLOGY ELECTIVE**

Choose from courses on pages 18 and 19.

# NEW! ESSENTIAL PROFESSIONAL SKILLS MICROCREDENTIAL

Earn a microcredential and digital badge in Essential Professional Skills by completing three courses of your choice and one technology elective within one year. These courses may also be taken individually.

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## **NEW** Burnout Prevention & Brain Health Techniques for Professionals – Lunch & Learn ONLINE

Burnout is increasingly common in professional life, leading to stress, fatigue, and reduced productivity. This one-hour session equips participants with 10 practical, science-backed strategies to prevent burnout, boost focus, and enhance cognitive performance. Through actionable tips on time management, mindfulness, exercise, sleep, nutrition, and social connection, you will leave ready to protect your mental energy and to build long-term resilience. **Fee: \$59**

**Instructor:** Alexia Georghiou holds an M.A. in counseling and is certified in leadership and management by Wharton Executive Education.

### **Course #26WIPPD1326**

Wed., 2/11/2026, 11:45 AM - 1:00 PM - ONLINE

### **Course #26SUPPD1326**

Wed., 8/19/2026, 11:45 AM - 1:00 PM - ONLINE

## **NEW** Essential Marketing Skills for Today's Professionals

Marketing does not have to be overwhelming. This interactive course introduces the core skills every professional and business owner needs to confidently market their brand. You will learn how to define your message, identify the right platforms for your audience, create content that connects, and build a simple 90-day marketing action plan. Walk away with practical tools, fresh ideas, and the confidence to put your marketing into action immediately. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Halee Sprinkle is the owner of Czech Yourself Marketing in Knoxville. She empowers nonprofit organizations and small businesses to thrive by delivering innovative marketing strategies, fostering authentic connections, and inspiring creative growth.

### **Course #26WIPPD1335**

Wed., 2/4/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### **Course #26SUPPD1335**

Wed., 8/12/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

## **NEW** From Blank Page to Branded: Canva Skills for Business

Strong visuals are no longer optional—they are essential for standing out in today's market. This hands-on course introduces professionals and business owners to Canva, a powerful and easy-to-use design platform that makes creating branded graphics simple and effective. You will learn how to apply their brand identity across social media, presentations, and marketing materials, explore time-saving tools and templates, and practice designing polished, professional content. By the end of the session, you will leave with the skills and confidence to turn a blank page into branded visuals that elevate your business. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Halee Sprinkle is the owner of Czech Yourself Marketing in Knoxville. She empowers nonprofit organizations and small businesses to thrive by delivering innovative marketing strategies, fostering authentic connections, and inspiring creative growth.

### **Course #26WIPPD1336**

Wed., 3/4/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### **Course #26SUPPD1336**

Wed., 9/9/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

## **NEW** Adult Stress Management Bootcamp

This course is designed to provide adults with practical tools and strategies to effectively manage stress in their lives. Over six interactive lessons, you will explore the nature of stress, its impact on mental and physical health, and develop personalized stress management plans. Key topics include understanding brain functions related to stress, identifying everyday stressors, exploring the relationship between emotions and stress, and practicing grounding techniques. The course will also incorporate hands-on activities, group discussions, and creative expression to foster a supportive environment. By the end of the bootcamp, you will have gained valuable insights and skills to enhance their overall well-being and resilience in the face of stress. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Feixia Wang has a Master of Science degree in counseling from Carson-Newman University and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in counselor education at the University of Tennessee.

### **Course #26WIPPD1337**

Thu., 3/26/2026-4/9/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes

### **Course #26FAPPD1337**

Thu., 10/15/2026-10/29/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes

## **Basic Project Management**

In this course you will fully understand the basic project planning process. You will learn the terms, techniques, and communication skills needed to keep a project on time and moving forward efficiently, whether small or large. You will also discover how to stop putting out fires and build flexibility for inevitable changes. **Fee: \$169**

### **Course #26WIPPD115**

Wed., 2/11/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### **Course #26SUPPD115**

Thu., 8/27/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

## **Beat the Clock: Learn to Be a Planner**

This interactive course is designed to help you assess your daily interruptions, learn to better manage your time, and increase your level of productivity. Bring your schedule or calendar and learn how you can become a planner, not a procrastinator. During the session, you will learn nine proven time management strategies. We will also discuss how your improved time management skills will positively influence employee performance and productivity. If you are ready to implement some skills into your daily practice, then this course is for you. **Fee: \$169**

### **Course #26WIPPD078**

Thu., 2/12/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### **Course #26SUPPD078**

Thu., 9/17/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

## **Building Effective Teams Through Communication**

An essential element of team building is effective communication. In this interactive course, you will discover your way of expressing yourself through verbal and non-verbal communication and learn how to find effective strategies for communicating with those you find more challenging to work with. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** A retired Air National Guard member, Tammie Smeltzer brings more than 20 years of experience in adult education. She has served in a variety of roles, including instructor, course manager, and director of education.

### **Course #26WIPPD052**

Tue., 2/17/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### **Course #26SUPPD052**

Thu., 9/24/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM



### Business & Financial Concepts

Acquire the fundamentals of financial reporting and analysis, economics, and corporate finance. You will receive a high-level overview designed to familiarize supervisors with evaluating financial statements, understanding market forces of supply and demand, and making prudent corporate financing decisions.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Maryville-based financial professional Shane Smith, CFA, has worked in financial services for more than 14 years, helping clients with retirement planning, investment management, and tax preparation and planning.

**Course # 26WIPPD1169**

Thu., 3/5/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course # 26FAPPD1169**

Thu., 10/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Communicating with Impact

You will learn to identify the characteristics of the four communication styles and to adapt your communication style to best meet others' needs. By recognizing our dominant style and developing the ability to identify traits in others, we can change our behaviors to interact with greater impact.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Randy Harms has over 35 years of professional development experience, building high levels of knowledge, skill, and behaviors that align business objectives with results.

**Course #26WIPPD018**

Wed., 2/25/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD018**

Wed., 9/9/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Conflict Management Through Self Evaluation

This course provides you with the framework for win-win conflict outcomes through self-profile. Learn to approach challenges and balance outcomes with tact, diplomacy, and resolution.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** A retired Air National Guard member, Tammie Smeltzer brings more than 20 years of experience in adult education. She has served in a variety of roles, including instructor, course manager, and director of education.

**Course #26WIPPD749**

Thu., 3/5/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26FAPPD749**

Tue., 10/13/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### Effective Presentations

Presentations can be intimidating, but often necessary. Ease your fears during this course as you discover how to present to a group and be heard.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Naomi Asher is a Knoxville-based leadership and Enneagram coach who helps individuals and teams unlock their potential. With nearly two decades of nonprofit and executive experience, she brings humor, insight, and authenticity to every class.

**Course #26WIPPD092**

Tue., 3/3/2026, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

**Course #26FAPPD092**

Tue., 10/13/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Goal Setting for Success

In this course, you will learn how to set reasonable goals and expectations for long-term and short-term success. We will focus on why to set goals, how to stick to them, and what pitfalls to avoid.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Naomi Asher is a Knoxville-based leadership and Enneagram coach who helps individuals and teams unlock their potential. With nearly two decades of nonprofit and executive experience, she brings humor, insight, and authenticity to every class.

**Course #26SPPPD1173**

Tue., 4/28/2026, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

**Course #26SUPPD1173**

Tue., 9/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Listening to Hear: Enhancing Communication Skills

Communication and problem solving are critical skills for the 21st century. Join Alexia Georghiou, author of *Listening to Hear*, and learn how to develop a strong acumen in listening and utilizing empathy to manage conflict.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Alexia Georghiou holds an M.A. in counseling and is certified in leadership and management by Wharton Executive Education.

**Course #26SPPPD1218**

Tue., 4/7/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD1218**

Thu., 9/3/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Strategic Content Creation

Social media can be tricky. What time should you post content, and how often? Should you include videos or photos? With a plan for strategic content creation, you will be able to manage your accounts without letting them manage you. This course covers the basics of hashtags and posting while diving deep into the insights to create a plan that works for your target audience. You will also create a monthly content calendar, so you will know what you are going to post and when.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville local Holly Rainey is a creative professional that specializes in social media management, content creation and documentary photography.

**Course #26WIPPD1245**

Tue., 2/10/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SPPPD1245**

Thu., 4/2/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD1245**

Tue., 9/8/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Understanding Emotional Intelligence & Performance

Emotional Intelligence (EI) is the ability to manage both your own emotions and understand the emotions of people around you. In this course you will learn your own EI score as determined in the book, *Emotional Intelligence 2.0*. And you will learn how to use your personal and social competencies to improve your work performance, to increase your leadership abilities, how to make better decisions, and how to decrease your stress level in the workplace. By giving yourself permission to feel, you will gain a unique perspective on becoming your best self—personally and professionally.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based HR executive and board-certified coach Dr. Kelly Drummond's work encompasses human resources leadership, university-level professional instruction, and career and professional development coaching.

**Course #26SPPPD1266**

Thu., 5/14/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1266**

Thu., 11/12/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### TECHNOLOGY ELECTIVE

Choose from courses on pages 18 and 19.



# SALES PROFESSIONALS CERTIFICATE

**Certificate Fee: \$999**

**Program requirements:** Attendance and participation on three consecutive days of the course, for a 24-hour total.

Great salespeople do not just sell—they partner with their customers. They listen, solve problems, and build trust that drives lasting results. This course gives you the skills to connect authentically, reduce objections, and close with confidence while keeping the customer at the center of every conversation.

**Instructor:** Randy Harms has over 35 years of professional development experience, building high levels of knowledge, skill, and behaviors that align business objectives with results.

**Program Objectives:**

1. Advance the buying process with proven strategies
2. Build authentic connections that open doors
3. Co-create solutions that deliver real value
4. Overcome objections with ease
5. Gain commitment and close more sales

**Course # 26WIPPDSALE**

Tue.-Thu., 2/17/2026-2/19/2026,  
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Course # 26SUPPSALE**

Tue.-Thu., 9/29/2026-10/1/2026,  
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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# GRANT WRITING CERTIFICATE

**Certificate requirements:** Four courses and four electives. You will have two years from the start of your first course to complete the certificate. These courses may also be taken individually.

**NEW** Earn a microcredential and receive a digital badge by completing the Grant Writing Core Courses within one year.

Once you have completed the requirements for your certificate or microcredential, please complete the **Certificate Program Request Form:** <https://cpell.utk.edu/resources-certificate-request-form/>

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## CORE COURSES

### Grant Budgets

This course teaches you to develop strong budgets that support your grant requests. You will learn about matching requirements and the hard and soft costs of implementing and operating projects. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Terrence Carter. Terrence is a purpose-driven leader with a distinguished 35-year career spanning government, quasi-government, nonprofit, and private sectors.

**Course #26WIPPD076**

Tue, 1/27/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD076**

Mon., 9/28/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### NEW Getting Started with Grants

Ready to kickstart your grant writing journey? This course provides a solid foundation to help you write effective grants that can make a real difference for your organization. Whether you are new to grant writing or looking to build your confidence, you will gain essential skills and practical tools to get started right away. You will learn how to: identify your organization's most urgent needs, gather and organize key documents funders commonly request, and navigate internal and external deadlines. This course will introduce you to the "Grant Life Cycle" model to track, understand, and manage grant applications from start to finish. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Margo Clark is director of membership and grants at Knoxville Museum of Art, with over 20 years of grant writing experience.

**Course #26WIPPD1322**

Tue, 2/10/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD1322**

Tue, 9/15/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### Grant Writing Ethics

There are conflicting schools of thought when it comes to compensating a grant writer. In this course you will look at the perceived and ethical issues associated with the grant writing profession. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Terrence Carter is a purpose-driven leader with a distinguished 35-year career spanning government, quasi-government, nonprofit, and private sectors.

**Course #26WIPPD066**

Tue, 2/17/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD066**

Wed., 9/30/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### NEW Working the Grant: How to Get Grants Done When You're Not in Charge!

Want to play a key role in securing grants, even if you are not the official decision-maker? This course will boost your confidence and equip you with the skills to actively contribute to successful grant applications. You will discover effective strategies for working with your team to craft compelling and persuasive narratives that stand out. We will dive into essential topics like application

development, managing timelines, and using your organization's strategic plan to build a powerful statement of needs. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Margo Clark is director of membership and grants at Knoxville Museum of Art, with over 20 years of grant writing experience.

**Course #26WIPPD1321**

Thu., 1/29/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD1321**

Thu., 8/27/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

## ELECTIVE COURSES

### Program Evaluation

Through this course, you will receive valuable knowledge concerning a results-oriented program evaluation system. We will cover both the design and implementation of this evaluation system, which produces valid, credible, and useful information.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Terrence Carter. Terrence is a purpose-driven leader with a distinguished 35-year career spanning government, quasi-government, nonprofit, and private sectors.

**Course #26WIPPD452**

Mon., 3/30/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Course #26FAPPD452**

Mon., 11/30/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### Grant Funding Research

This course delivers research techniques for matching projects with funders' mission statements and previous activities. You will learn to identify potential funders through online and database research tools. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Terrence Carter is a purpose-driven leader with a distinguished 35-year career spanning government, quasi-government, nonprofit, and private sectors.

**Course #26SPPPD093**

Mon., 4/27/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Course #26FAPPD093**

Mon., 10/26/2026, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### Nonprofit Fundraising Essentials

Create a fundraising strategy that will succeed in your nonprofit organization. This course explores donor relations, sponsorships, membership, and campaigns. You will also learn how to make an "ask." **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Mary Siler Walker is a trainer, consultant, and speaker dedicated to helping nonprofits with the "business side" of their operations. Her areas of expertise include strategic planning, governance, finance, and fundraising.

**Course #26WIPPD1282**

Thu., 2/26/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - ONLINE

**Course #26SUPPD1282**

Thu., 9/10/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Nonprofit Budgeting for Beginners

Learn the fundamental steps to creating an annual budget for your nonprofit. You will learn to avoid common budgeting pitfalls and increase the financial health of your organization. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Mary Siler Walker is a trainer, consultant, and speaker dedicated to helping nonprofits with the "business side" of their operations. Her areas of expertise include strategic planning, governance, finance, and fundraising.

**Course #26SPPPD1286**

Thu., 5/14/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - ONLINE

**Course #26FAPPD1286**

Thu., 11/19/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

## WRITING COURSES - Offered ONLINE only

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### A to Z Grant Writing Series - Online

This online course bundle provides you with hands-on experience and knowledge about writing grants, fundraising, and organizing a grant writing campaign. You will get comprehensive understanding of grant writing fundamentals and learn strategies you can apply to get your proposal funded, help your organization, or enter the in-demand field of grant consulting.

#### A to Z Grant Writing

This course walks you through the process of finding and writing a grant application. You will learn to engage stakeholders in framing a grant application and prepare a grant application draft of your choice step-by-step.

#### A to Z Grant Writing II

Learn to create a fundraising plan for all types of grant makers. You will also explore websites for finding and reviewing corporate, foundation, and government grant funding opportunities and grant application guidelines. **Fee: \$332**

### Advanced Grant Proposal Writing

*Prerequisite: A to Z Grant Writing Series*

Learn from an experienced grant writer how to research and write winning grant proposals. This course provides you with a complete understanding of all the components used to determine whether to fund or reject a proposal and how to give your project an edge over others. You will become proficient in the proposal format used by most public foundations. Learn what to do on your cover sheet, narrative, background page, and your stakeholder and third-party evaluation plan. **Fee: \$185**

# NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE

**Certificate requirements:** Four core courses, three electives, and one technology course. You will have two years from the start of your first course to complete the certificate. These courses may also be taken individually.

**NEW** Earn a microcredential and receive a digital badge by completing the Nonprofit Management Core Courses within one year.

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## CORE COURSES

### Introduction to Nonprofit Management

Explore the fundamentals of nonprofit management including mission and governance. Survey other key strategic areas such as finance, marketing, and fundraising. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Mary Siler Walker is a trainer, consultant, and speaker dedicated to helping nonprofits with the "business side" of their operations. Her areas of expertise include strategic planning, governance, finance, and fundraising.

**Course #26WIPPD1281**

Thu., 1/22/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - ONLINE

**Course #26SUPPD1281**

Tue., 8/11/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Nonprofit Fundraising Essentials

Learn how to create a successful fundraising strategy. Explore donor relations, sponsorships, membership, campaigns, and even "making an ask." **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Mary Siler Walker is a trainer, consultant, and speaker dedicated to helping nonprofits with the "business side" of their operations. Her areas of expertise include strategic planning, governance, finance, and fundraising.

**Course #26WIPPD1282**

Thu., 2/26/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - ONLINE

**Course #26SUPPD1282**

Thu., 9/10/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Nonprofit Finance for Non-Financial Personnel

Learn how to understand your financial statements and use them as an effective management tool. Discuss ways to avoid fraud within your nonprofit.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Mary Siler Walker is a trainer, consultant, and speaker dedicated to helping nonprofits with the "business side" of their operations. Her areas of expertise include strategic planning, governance, finance, and fundraising.

**Course #26SPPPD1284**

Thu., 4/2/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - ONLINE

**Course #26FAPPD1284**

Thu., 10/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon



### Creating Effective Programs & Measuring for Success

Ensure that the programs your nonprofit delivers are effective and on-mission. Learn strategies for growth and how to measure success.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Mary Siler Walker is a trainer, consultant, and speaker dedicated to helping nonprofits with the "business side" of their operations. Her areas of expertise include strategic planning, governance, finance, and fundraising.

**Course #26SPPPD1283**

Thu., 5/7/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - ONLINE

**Course #26FAPPD1283**

Tue., 11/3/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### ELECTIVE COURSES

#### **NEW** Board Governance

A nonprofit organization's success begins with a strong, informed, and engaged board. This interactive training equips board members and executives with the knowledge and tools to govern effectively, foster accountability, and lead their organizations with confidence. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Naomi Asher is a Knoxville-based leadership and Enneagram coach who helps individuals and teams unlock their potential. With nearly two decades of nonprofit and executive experience, she brings humor, insight, and authenticity to every class.

**Course #26WIPPD1311**

Tue., 2/17/2026, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

**Course #26FAPPD1311**

Tue., 11/10/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

#### **NEW** Getting Started with Grants

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**Instructor:** Margo Clark is director of membership and grants at Knoxville Museum of Art, with over 20 years of grant writing experience.

**Course #26WIPPD1322**

Tue., 2/10/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD1322**

Tue., 9/15/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

#### **NEW** Working the Grant: How to Get Grants Done When You're Not in Charge!

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**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Margo Clark is director of membership and grants at Knoxville Museum of Art, with over 20 years of grant writing experience.

**Course #26WIPPD1321**

Thu., 1/29/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD1321**

Thu., 8/27/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

#### **NEW** From Recruiter to Strategic Talent Partner

Hiring is more than filling roles: it's a strategic function that drives business success. This hands-on workshop helps company leaders, HR professionals, and recruiters evolve into trusted talent partners. You will learn how to build scalable hiring systems, align recruiting with business goals, and strengthen your partnerships with hiring managers. Through practical tools and real-world exercises, you will leave with confidence and strategies to truly move the business forward. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Preston Sharpston, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, is a talent strategy leader with over 10 years of experience leading HR and recruiting functions. A featured speaker at DisruptHR, RecFest, and industry webinars, Preston's insights have also been featured by publications like *Forbes Advisor*, *Restaurant Dive*, *HR Grapevine*, and more.

**Course #26WIPPD1338**

Tue., 1/27/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SPPPD1338**

Tue., 5/5/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD1338**

Tue., 9/29/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

#### Mastering Omnichannel Marketing: Videos, Podcasts, & Print

Learn how to create seamless, cohesive marketing strategies that integrate multiple channels to deliver a unified customer experience. Whether you are a marketer looking to enhance your brand's reach or a business owner aiming to streamline

your messaging, this course provides actionable insights into omnichannel marketing. We will begin with the foundational concepts, covering the key differences between multichannel and omnichannel approaches, and why the latter is crucial for engaging today's digitally savvy consumers. You will learn how to map the customer journey by identifying touchpoints across digital, in-store, mobile, and social platforms. We will discuss the importance of consistent messaging, and how to ensure your brand voice remains steady across all channels. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Gavin Baker

**Course #26WIPPD1297**

Tue., 3/3/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

#### Nonprofit Budgeting for Beginners

Discover the fundamental steps to creating an annual budget. Avoid common budgeting pitfalls and increase the financial health of your nonprofit.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Mary Siler Walker is a trainer, consultant, and speaker dedicated to helping nonprofits with the "business side" of their operations. Her areas of expertise include strategic planning, governance, finance, and fundraising.

**Course #26SPPPD1286**

Thu., 5/14/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - ONLINE

**Course #26FAPPD1286**

Thu., 11/19/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

#### Starting a Nonprofit

Turn your good intentions into reality. Learn practical steps for setting up your nonprofit and filing for tax-exempt status. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Mary Siler Walker is a trainer, consultant, and speaker dedicated to helping nonprofits with the "business side" of their operations. Her areas of expertise include strategic planning, governance, finance, and fundraising.

**Course #26WIPPD1285**

Thu., 3/12/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - ONLINE

**Course #26SUPPD1285**

Tue., 9/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

#### What Am I Doing & Why Am I Doing It?

This interactive course encourages you to do some self-reflection and gives you tools to better handle the challenges and stressors of the important work you do for your organization. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26SPPPD1246**

Wed., 4/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1246**

Wed., 10/7/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### TECHNOLOGY ELECTIVE

Choose from courses on pages 18 and 19.

# SUPERVISORY MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE

**Certificate requirements:** Four core courses and four electives. You will have two years from the start of your first course to complete the certificate. These courses may also be taken individually.

**NEW** Earn a microcredential and receive a digital badge by completing the Supervisory Management core courses within one year.

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## CORE COURSES

### Communicating with Impact

You will learn to identify the characteristics of the four communication styles and adapt your communication style to best meet others' needs. By recognizing our dominant style and developing the ability to identify traits in others, we can change our behaviors to interact with greater impact. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Randy Harms has over 35 years of professional development experience, building high levels of knowledge, skill, and behaviors that align business objectives with results.

**Course #26WIPPD018**

Wed., 2/25/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course # 26SUPPD018**

Wed., 9/9/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Effective Coaching Skills

Discover strategies and processes for establishing effective coaching skills in the workplace. We will discuss forging agreements and partnerships with employees, addressing both effective and ineffective performance, and keeping the momentum going. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** A retired Air National Guard member, Tammie Smeltzer brings more than 20 years of experience in adult education. She has served in a variety of roles, including instructor, course manager, and director of education.

**Course #26SPPD015**

Thu., 4/16/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD015**

Thu., 9/10/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### HR Concepts for Supervisors

People are the most valuable resources in your organization. This course builds foundational knowledge and supports the creation of a positive culture in the workplace. You will learn about the impact of human resources in your organization and explore its key functions. This course provides you with relevant information on recruiting, hiring, developing, evaluating, rewarding, and retaining your employees. You will also receive guidelines on employment regulations, job descriptions, succession planning, and performance evaluations. Strong supervisors are the key to employee success. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based HR executive and board-certified coach Dr. Kelly Drummond's work encompasses human resources leadership, university-level professional instruction, and career and professional development coaching.

**Course #26SPPD464**

Thu., 4/9/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD464**

Wed, 10/28/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Preparing for the Role of Supervisor

This interactive course is designed to aid you in your transition to the role of supervisor. We will emphasize leadership, communication, and the writing skills necessary to deal with the new challenges associated with a supervisory position. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** A retired Air National Guard member, Tammie Smeltzer brings more than 20 years of experience in adult education. She has served in a variety of roles, including instructor, course manager, and director of education.

**Course #26WIPPD024**

Thu., 1/22/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26FAPPD024**

Tue., 10/20/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

## ELECTIVE COURSES

### Basic Project Management

In this course, you will fully understand the basic project planning process. You will learn the terms, techniques, and communication skills needed to keep a project on time and move forward efficiently, whether small or large. You will also discover how to stop putting out fires and build flexibility for inevitable changes. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Randy Harms has over 35 years of professional development experience, building high levels of knowledge, skill, and behaviors that align business objectives with results.

**Course #26WIPPD115**

Wed., 2/11/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD115**

Thu., 8/27/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Conflict Management Through Self Evaluation

This course provides you with the framework for win-win conflict outcomes through self-profile. Learn to approach challenges and balance outcomes with tact, diplomacy, and resolution. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** A retired Air National Guard member, Tammie Smeltzer brings more than 20 years of experience in adult education. She has served in a variety of roles, including instructor, course manager, and director of education.

**Course #26WIPPD749**

Thu., 3/5/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Course #26FAPPD749**

Tue., 10/13/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### Creating a Culture of Customer Service

In this course, you will gain the knowledge needed to train your team on improved customer service through empathy, patience, adaptability, and communication. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Randy Harms has over 35 years of professional development experience, building high levels of knowledge, skill, and behaviors that align business objectives with results.

**Course #26WIPPD088**

Wed., 1/28/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD088**

Thu., 9/3/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Negotiating to Win/Win

This course is designed to give learners knowledge and tools about conflict and effective negotiation to reach mutually beneficial solutions. You will have knowledge of sources of conflicts and negotiation tools and strategies to resolve identified differences. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26WIPPD1224**

Wed., 2/11/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1224**

Wed., 10/14/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### The Energy Bus

Discover the transformative power of positive energy with Jon Gordon's Energy Bus Training Program. This engaging and dynamic course is designed to empower individuals and teams to overcome challenges, enhance productivity, and achieve their goals through the principles outlined in Gordon's bestselling book, *The Energy Bus*.

**Required book:** *The Energy Bus*

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based executive coach Paul Boyles designs and delivers customized leadership and employee training programs for companies, organizations, and associations.

**Course #26SPPD1291**

Wed., 5/13/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1291**

Wed., 11/18/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

# UT CULINARY PROGRAM

The University of Tennessee Accelerated Culinary Program is a full-time, 8-week course designed to place learners in much needed culinary positions quickly. You will train not only in a fully equipped commercial kitchen but also in a special classroom designed for culinary education while learning from industry experts. You will focus on honing your skills in the kitchen and learning the business aspects of the culinary industry. The UT Culinary Program has been recognized by the American Culinary Federation Education Foundation (ACFEF) as a quality program. ACFEF Quality Program status recognizes culinary-related programs that meet or exceed industry standards for education and training.

**To learn how to use VA education benefits for this program, please get in touch with our UT Office of Veterans Benefits Administration at [utkva@utk.edu](mailto:utkva@utk.edu) or 865-974-5420. This program may also be paid for with Sallie Mae learner funds.**

## Culinary Program Information Session (Online)

### Course #26WICULIN Fee: Free!

Learn more about the Culinary Program, topics that will be covered, and possible professional opportunities after completion. **Register by February 4. A Zoom link will be sent to all who have registered.**

Wed., 2/4/2026, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

### Course #26WIPPD500-1 Fee: \$6,249

Mon.-Fri., 3/2/2026 - 4/24/2026, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM, 40 classes

**Note:** Class times may vary depending on scheduled content and/or events.

## Culinary Program Information Session (Online)

### Course #26SUCULIN Fee: Free!

Learn more about the Culinary Program, topics that will be covered, and possible professional opportunities after completion. **Register by August 19. A zoom link will be sent to all who have registered.**

Wed., 8/19/2026, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

### Course #26SUPPD500-1 Fee: \$6,249

Mon.-Fri., 9/21/2026 - 11/13/2026, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM, 40 classes

**Note:** Class times may vary depending on scheduled content and/or events.



## CULINARIAN TESTIMONIAL

Being in the UT Culinary Program has impacted my life in so many ways that I didn't know were possible. In the program, you learn so much information in such little time. Chef Greg has amazing chefs teaching us, as well, and they have all had such a positive impact on the students. I thank all of them for the lessons I've learned.

- Jam Goins

# CULINARY LUNCHEONS

All luncheons are held at the UT Conference Center, downtown Knoxville.

Each luncheon includes an assortment of appetizers, entrées, side dishes, and desserts—all for \$14! You must register and pay at least five business days prior to the luncheon, and seating is first come, first serve. No refunds or transfers will be given for culinary luncheons. **Luncheon fee: \$14**

## The Buffet Style Luncheon

### Course # 26SPCULLUN-1

Thu., 4/2/2026, Noon - 1:00 PM

## The Banquet Style Luncheon

### Course # 26SPCULLUN-2

Fri., 4/10/2026, Noon - 1:00 PM

## The Tableside Luncheon

### Course # 26SPCULLUN-3

Fri., 4/17/2026, Noon - 1:00 PM

## The Buffet Style Luncheon

### Course # 26FACULLUN-4

Fri., 10/23/2026, Noon - 1:00 PM

## The Banquet Style Luncheon

### Course # 26FACULLUN-5

Fri., 10/30/2026, Noon - 1:00 PM

## The Tableside Luncheon

### Course # 26FACULLUN-6

Fri., 11/6/2026, Noon - 1:00 PM

# SOCIAL MEDIA & MARKETING CERTIFICATE

**Certificate requirements:** Eight courses of your choice. You will have two years from the start of your first course to complete the certificate. These courses may also be taken individually.

**NEW** Earn a microcredential and receive a digital badge by completing four courses within one year.

Once you have completed the requirements for your certificate or microcredential, please complete the **Certificate Program Request Form:** <https://cpell.utk.edu/resources-certificate-request-form/>

All courses are held at the UT Conference Center, downtown Knoxville, unless otherwise noted.



## **NEW** Canva Masterclass: Branding & Marketing for Professionals

Ready to transform your brand? This hands-on Canva course will take you from beginner to pro, helping you create stunning, professional designs with ease. Whether you're just starting your business or refining your brand, you'll master Canva's powerful tools like the Brand Kit, Magic Resize, and background remover to elevate your visual content. Learn how to define your brand's voice, craft a unique logo, and design eye-catching social media templates and marketing materials—all while getting personalized feedback every step of the way. Dive into advanced Canva features like AI tools and video editing, while mastering key design principles like typography, color theory, and layout. By the end of the course, you'll be able to create a cohesive brand and execute polished, standout designs quickly and confidently. This course is perfect for business owners or anyone looking to level up their branding game! **Fee: \$499**

**Earn a microcredential and digital badge upon completion of this course.**

**Instructor:** Kimberly Bell has taught Canva for five years. She has witnessed the platform's evolution firsthand and can offer insights into the latest features, tips, and best practices.

**Course #26SPPPD1313**

Wed., 4/8/2026-4/22/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1313**

Wed., 10/21/2026-11/4/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

## **AI in Marketing**

Dive into the transformative power of artificial intelligence in the realm of marketing. This course unravels the intricacies of AI's role in current marketing strategies. Witness firsthand the innovative ways brands are harnessing AI's capabilities to create unparalleled customer experiences, drive sales, and forge lasting relationships. From understanding the core concepts to practical applications, equip yourself with knowledge that can be instantly applied in today's dynamic marketplace.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Gavin Baker is the president and founder of Baker Marketing Laboratory, leading the only digital marketing agency in Tennessee exclusively focused on healthcare.

**Course #26WIPPD1267**

Thu., 2/5/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Get Found - Navigating the New Rules of SEO

Search engines now understand more about searchers than ever before. As a result, specific keywords are out, and topics are in. Learn how to implement this innovative approach that is necessary for achieving long-term success.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Gavin Baker is the president and founder of Baker Marketing Laboratory, leading the only digital marketing agency in Tennessee exclusively focused on healthcare.

**Course #26SPPPD730**

Fri, 4/24/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Google Ads: Your New Superpower

In this beginner-friendly course, you will learn the fundamentals of Google Ads, including campaign setup, keyword research, targeting strategies, and ad copy creation. You will also explore key performance metrics and optimization techniques, gaining the skills to confidently launch and manage successful Google Ads campaigns for better ROI. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Gavin Baker is the president and founder of Baker Marketing Laboratory, leading the only digital marketing agency in Tennessee exclusively focused on healthcare.

**Course #26SUPPD701**

Thu., 9/10/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Instagram & TikTok for Business

Instagram and TikTok are becoming essential for gaining the attention your business deserves online. In this course we will explore the best practices for these channels, as well as what not to do, so that you can make the most of them for your business.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Gavin Baker is the president and founder of Baker Marketing Laboratory, leading the only digital marketing agency in Tennessee exclusively focused on healthcare.

**Course #26FAPPD1228**

Thu., 10/15/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Marketing Makeover Workshop

Discover the importance of a message that resonates with customers and what changes to make to your marketing and website for your business to thrive.

**Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Gavin Baker is the president and founder of Baker Marketing Laboratory, leading the only digital marketing agency in Tennessee exclusively focused on healthcare.

**Course #26WIPPD741**

Thu., 2/12/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon



### Mastering Omnichannel Marketing: Videos, Podcasts, & Print

Learn how to create seamless, cohesive marketing strategies that integrate multiple channels to deliver a unified customer experience. Whether you are a marketer looking to enhance your brand's reach or a business owner aiming to streamline your messaging, this course will provide actionable insights into omnichannel marketing. We will begin with the foundational concepts, covering the key differences between multichannel and omnichannel approaches, and why the latter is crucial for engaging today's digitally savvy consumers. You will learn how to map the customer journey, identifying touchpoints across digital, in-store, mobile, and social platforms. We will discuss the importance of consistent messaging, and how to ensure your brand voice remains steady across all channels. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Gavin Baker is the president and founder of Baker Marketing Laboratory, leading the only digital marketing agency in Tennessee exclusively focused on healthcare.

**Course #26WIPPD1297**

Tue., 3/3/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Social Media Photography

Learn the basic concepts of photography and videography for social media. This course guides you through fundamental concepts, including effective lighting techniques for both lay flat and vertical compositions. You will learn the art of styling your shots, optimizing your phone settings on both iPhone and Android, and post-processing to ensure your photos and videos look their best. **Fee: \$189**

**Instructor:** Tiffany Lawson is an experienced social media director with a demonstrated history of working in the marketing and social media industry.

**Course #26WIPPD1299**

Mon., 2/2/2026 & 2/9/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

**Course #26FAPPD1299**

Mon., 8/24/2026 & 8/31/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

### Strategic Content Creation

Social media can be tricky. What is the point of posting? What time should you post content, and how often? Should you include video or photos? With a plan for strategic content creation, you will be able to manage your accounts without letting them manage you. This course covers the basics of posting, including new features and latest trends, while diving deep into the insights to create a plan that works for your target audience. During this course, you will create a monthly content calendar, so you will know what you are going to post and when. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Knoxville local Holly Rainey is a creative professional that specializes in social media management, content creation and documentary photography.

**Course #26WIPPD1245**

Tue., 2/10/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**NEW Course #26SPPPD1245**

Thu., 4/2/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD1245**

Tue., 9/8/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Visual Storytelling for Businesses

You will explore the art and science of visual storytelling, learning how to create powerful narratives that captivate and inspire your audience. Whether you are a marketer, designer, or content creator, this course will teach you how to convey complex ideas through visuals that resonate emotionally and leave a lasting impact. Through hands-on exercises, you will develop skills to create impactful visual stories that engage audiences, enhance brand messaging, and make your content more memorable. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Gavin Baker is the president and founder of Baker Marketing Laboratory, leading the only digital marketing agency in Tennessee exclusively focused on healthcare.

**Course #26FAPPD1298**

Thu., 11/12/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

# NEW! WORKPLACE TECHNOLOGY ESSENTIALS CERTIFICATE

**Certificate requirements:** Complete eight courses of your choice.. You will have two years from the start of your first course to complete the certificate. These courses may also be taken individually.

**NEW** Earn a microcredential and receive a digital badge by completing **any four courses** in one year.

**NEW** Earn a microcredential and receive a digital badge by completing **all three Excel courses** in one year.

Once you've completed the requirements for your certificate or microcredential, please complete the **Certificate Program Request Form**:

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**NEW Digital Citizenship & Online Safety for Adults - ONLINE**

This three-week virtual course empowers adult learners to navigate the digital world with confidence, safety, and purpose. Designed for individuals who want to strengthen their online awareness and protect their digital presence, the course covers essential topics such as privacy, misinformation, respectful communication, and digital wellness. You will explore real-world scenarios, practice using free tools, and engage in thoughtful discussions that promote responsible and informed digital behavior. Whether using the internet for personal, professional, or community engagement, learners will leave with practical strategies to stay safe and thrive online. **Fee: \$189**

**Instructor:** James Brown, Ed.D., has a degree in instructional technology and has taught technology classes for several years to adults and children.

**Course #26WIPPD1316**

Tue., 1/13/2026-1/27/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes, ONLINE

**Course #26SUPPD1316**

Tue., 8/11/2026-8/25/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes, ONLINE

**NEW Getting Your Digital Life in Order - ONLINE**

Are you an adult overwhelmed by digital clutter?

This three-week virtual course is designed to help adult learners take control of their digital lives by organizing essential tools and platforms they use every day. From taming the chaos of email to managing files and streamlining digital workflows, you will gain practical strategies to reduce digital clutter, to improve productivity, and feel more confident navigating their tech environment. Each week focuses on a different area of digital organization, with hands-on activities, live demonstrations, and real-world tips tailored for novice users. **Fee: \$189**

**Instructor:** James Brown, Ed.D., has a degree in instructional technology and has taught technology classes for several years to adults and children.

**Course #26WIPPD1317**

Tue., 2/10/2026-2/24/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes - ONLINE

**Course #26SUPPD1317**

Tue., 9/8/2026-9/22/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes - ONLINE

**NEW Adobe Creative Cloud Express - ONLINE**

This engaging and supportive three-week course introduces adult learners to the powerful yet accessible world of Adobe Creative Cloud Express. Designed for those with little to no design experience, the course empowers you to create visually compelling content for social media, personal projects, community events, and more. Through hands-on activities, live demonstrations, and collaborative virtual sessions, learners will explore the fundamentals of graphic design, visual storytelling, and multimedia creation—all using Adobe's free, browser-based platform. **Fee: \$189**

**Instructor:** James Brown, Ed.D., has a degree in instructional technology and has taught technology classes for several years to adults and children.

**Course #26WIPPD1318**

Tue., 3/17/2026-3/31/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes - ONLINE

**Course #26FAPPD1318**

Tue., 10/6/2026-10/20/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes - ONLINE

**NEW** **Google Workplace Essentials - Productivity Tools for Everyday Use - ONLINE**

This three-week virtual course introduces adult learners to the core tools within Google Workspace, empowering them to confidently create, organize, and collaborate online. Designed for lifelong learners with limited digital experience, the course focuses on practical applications of Google Docs, Drive, Slides, Forms, and Sheets to support personal, professional, and community tasks. Through guided instruction, hands-on activities, and peer collaboration, you will build foundational skills in document creation, file management, presentation design, and basic data handling—all using free tools available with a standard Google account. **Fee: \$189**

**Instructor:** James Brown, Ed.D., has a degree in instructional technology and has taught technology classes for several years to adults and children.

**Course #26SPPPD1319**

Tue., 4/14/2026-4/28/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM,  
3 classes - ONLINE

**Course #26FAPPD1319**

Tue., 10/27/2026-11/10/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM,  
3 classes - ONLINE

**NEW** **Intro to AI Tools - Everyday Uses for Artificial Intelligence - ONLINE**

This three-week virtual course empowers adult learners to navigate the digital world with confidence, safety, and purpose. Designed for learners who want to strengthen their online awareness and protect their digital presence, the course covers essential topics such as privacy, misinformation, respectful communication, and

digital wellness. You will explore real-world scenarios, practice using free tools, and engage in thoughtful discussions that promote responsible and informed digital behavior. Whether using the internet for personal, professional, or community engagement, learners will leave with practical strategies to stay safe and to thrive online. **Fee: \$189**

**Instructor:** James Brown, Ed.D., has a degree in instructional technology and has taught technology classes for several years to adults and children.

**Course #26SPPPD1320**

Tue., 5/5/2026-5/19/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM,  
3 classes - ONLINE

**Course #26FAPPD1320**

Tue., 11/17/2026-12/1/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM,  
3 classes - ONLINE

**Microsoft Excel 2021: Basics**

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to create and develop Excel worksheets and workbooks to work with and analyze the data critical to your organization's success. **Fee: \$199**

**Instructor:** Deborah Johnson has taught computer courses since 1989, including several versions of Windows and almost every version of Microsoft Office products.

**Course #26WIPPD677**

Fri., 1/23/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Course #26WIPPD677-1**

Fri., 2/27/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Course #26SUPPD677**

Mon., 7/20/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**NEW** **Course #26SUPPD677-1**

Fri., 9/11/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Microsoft Excel 2021: Intermediate**

*Prerequisite: Microsoft Excel 2019: Basics*

Through this course you will learn to create advanced workbooks and worksheets that will deepen your understanding of organizational intelligence. **Fee: \$199**

**Instructor:** Deborah Johnson has taught computer courses since 1989, including several versions of Windows and almost every version of Microsoft Office products.

**Course #26SPPPD678**

Fri., 4/10/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**NEW** **Course #26SPPPD678-1**

Fri., 5/8/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Course #26FAPPD678**

Fri., 10/30/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Microsoft Excel 2021: Advanced**

*Prerequisite: Microsoft Excel 2019: Intermediate*

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to perform advanced data analysis, collaborate on workbooks with other users, and automate workbook functionality. **Fee: \$199**

**Instructor:** Deborah Johnson has taught computer courses since 1989, including several versions of Windows and almost every version of Microsoft Office products.

**Course #26FAPPD666**

Fri., 11/13/2026, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM



# LANDSCAPE & GARDEN DESIGN CERTIFICATE

**Program requirements:** Two core courses and six elective courses. You will have three years from the start of your first course to complete the certificate. All certificate candidates must have at least 75 percent attendance. These courses may also be taken individually.

Once you have completed the requirements for your certificate, please complete the **Certificate Program Request Form:**

<https://cpell.utk.edu/resources-certificate-request-form/>

**Certificate Instructor:** David Montgomery holds a degree in plant and soil science and has more than 35 years of experience as a landscape designer. He is highly knowledgeable in horticultural sales, landscape maintenance, and installation.



## CORE COURSES

### Home Landscape Design & Installation

*Prerequisite:* Landscape Plant Selection for East Tennessee

In this course we will discuss all aspects of home landscape design, including the design process, planning process, and installation process—each with an emphasis on practicality and minimal maintenance. **Fee: \$139**

**Course #26SPPPD580**

Thu., 4/2/2026-5/7/2026, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, 6 classes

**Course #26FAPPD580**

Thu., 10/1/2026-11/5/2026, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, 6 classes

### Landscape Plant Selection for East Tennessee

Poor plant selections for landscapes is a frequent problem that plagues neighborhoods and even your own house. In this course you will discover how to prevent this growing problem and learn what specific plants are perfect not only for your home but also for the East Tennessee area. **Fee: \$119**

**Course #26WIPPD585**

Thu., 3/5/2026-3/26/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, 4 classes

**Course #26SUPPD585**

Thu., 9/3/2026-9/24/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, 4 classes

## ELECTIVE COURSES

### Composting: Life from Dead Stuff

Do you realize how valuable those leaves, twigs, and other garden debris you put by the curb are? This course explores and extols the benefits of organic gardening, of which composting is the foundation, and reviews the creation and practical usage of this amazing free resource. **Fee: \$79**

**Course #26FAPPD610**

Sat., 11/7/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon (Date will change if a UT home football game is scheduled.)

### Home Hardscapes: Construction Tips & Techniques

In this course you will learn the essentials of using stone, brick, boards, and railroad ties to create beautiful and sturdy walks, walls, borders, and steps. We will also emphasize the importance of design, scaling, and practicality. **Fee: \$79**

**Course #26SPPPD586**

Sat., 4/25/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Home Lawn Care & Fertilization: Beyond the Basics

Keeping a green lawn is not easy in East Tennessee, but if you plant the right type of grasses and keep them fertilized and maintained, it can be a whole lot easier. Learn about the distinct types of grasses, fertilizers, watering, aeration, mowing, and more.

**Fee: \$79**

**Course #26WIPPD581**

Sat., 3/28/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26SUPPD581**

Sat., 9/12/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon (Date will change if a UT home football game is scheduled.)

### Pruning: Art & Science

In this course we will demonstrate various forms of pruning, from the mundane hedge trim to the artistic expressions of topiary shaping, and we will discuss pruning practices for specific plants, which will ensure continued plant health and beauty.

**Fee: \$79**

**Course #26SPPPD595**

Sat., 4/11/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

**Course #26FAPPD595**

Sat., 10/17/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon (Date will change if a UT home football game is scheduled.)



### Residential Landscape Renovation

Our busy schedules and hectic lives often leave us little time to take care of our landscape. If your landscape has outlived its design, join us for this handy course and receive tips on time and money-saving that will help you complete a successful renovation. **Fee: \$79**

**Course #26SPPPD584**

Sat., 5/30/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### **NEW** Advanced Landscape Design: Beyond the Ordinary

Landscape design is a practice that takes many years to develop into an art form. It also takes an intimate knowledge of many different skill sets pertaining to landscaping to make a practical, yet visually stimulating landscape. This learning experience is a crash course of all sorts of design considerations beyond the basic plant-and-paver layout; such as topography issues, drainage solutions, working around existing conditions, in-depth visual effect analysis, and even a word or two on the use of pink flamingos and garden gnomes. If you are seeking to set your landscape apart from the rest of the neighborhood, then this course will help. If you are a landscape designer who wants to sharpen the tools of your trade, consider having a distinct set of eyes on some of your work, or just get a hefty dose of out-of-the-box thinking. **Fee: \$99**

**Course #26FAPPD583**

Thu., 11/12/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### Soil Analysis, Amendment & Fertilization

New technological and scientific studies and findings have made it possible to enhance the fertility, bio effectiveness, and productivity of soil. This course takes full advantage of and digs even deeper into some of those scientific finds. We will go underground to analyze the soil and recommend improvements, and review the specifics on fertilizer types, usage, and benefits. **Fee: \$79**

**Course #26WIPPD596**

Sat., 3/14/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### Tree Selection: Attributes, Issues, & Maintenance

Trees provide shade, pictorial views, and clean air, and yet we often seem to think of them as expendable or temporary, rather than as the kings of the forest. During this course we will get up-close and personal with dozens of trees—their features, uses, fall color, flowers, fruits, care, and pruning. **Fee: \$89**

**Course #26FAPPD618**

Tue., 10/20/2026 & 10/27/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM,  
2 classes

### Watergardens, Features and Fountains

Through this course you will discover the soothing sounds and visual interest created by water features and learn what water features will work for your landscape design, lifestyle, and budget. We will also discuss planning, installation, maintenance, costs, plants, and suppliers. **Fee: \$79**

**Course #26SPPPD587**

Sat., 5/16/2026, 9:00 AM - Noon

### **FREE!** Building a Mountain Park Landscape: 'Rising from the Ashes'

This presentation is the story of the building of the Anakeesta park gardens, from burnt forest ruins to beautiful gardens, as told by the designer and landscape foreman David Montgomery. Through the many photos taken of the challenging and rewarding process, you will experience all the spectacular views, plethora of plants, dangerous deeds (plenty of bear stories), and the culmination of the first phases of the expansive gardens. Get the behind-the-scenes take of how a regional tragedy made way for a regional treasure in the form of beautiful gardens created for everyone to explore, experience, and share.

**Fee: FREE!**

**Note:** This course does not count toward the certificate. Registration is limited to 40 participants.

**Instructor:** David Montgomery

**Course #26WIPPD1292**

Tue., 3/3/2026, 6:45 PM - 9:00 PM

# UT PHOTOGRAPHY CERTIFICATE

The UT Photography Certificate provides fundamental and specialty skills for achieving success in photography and related professions. Developed by a committee of Knoxville-area photographers, these courses provide the opportunity to develop new skills or build existing skills in this rapidly changing field. Courses may be taken by learners who are not in the certificate program.

**Program Requirements:** Fundamentals of Digital Photography plus other elective photography courses and workshops totaling a minimum of 160 hours. All certificate candidates must have at least 70 percent attendance. You have three years from the start of your first course to complete the certificate. These courses may also be taken individually.

Once you have completed the requirements for your certificate please complete the **Certificate Program Request Form:**

<https://cpell.utk.edu/resources-certificate-request-form/>

All photography courses are held at the UT Conference Center, downtown Knoxville, unless otherwise noted.



## Basic Lighting & Posing for Family & Friends

This hands-on course explores the use of natural light, basic flash, and constant lights to enhance lifestyle images of family and friends. We will combine flattering lighting with basic tips for everyday posing that will help you create images your family members will treasure. Please do not purchase anything in preparation for this course; we will explore a variety of lighting options during class, which will allow you to make an informed decision about what to buy later. You will need a camera capable of shooting in manual mode.

**Total hours: 15**

**Fee: \$209**

**Instructor:** Jennifer Willis

**Course #26FAPPD123**

Tue., 10/6/2026-11/10/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, 6 classes

## Close-Up Photography

**Prerequisite:** Fundamentals of Digital Photography

This course introduces you to the basics of close-up photography. Subjects are furnished for each class session with the emphasis on learning by making photographs a hands-on approach. You will be asked to submit some digital files of the photographs you take during class for critique and sharing. You must have a digital camera and lens combination that make close-up photographs of at least 1/10 life size to life size or larger (close-up accessories can be used). There will be discussions/demonstrations of available close-up accessories that can be used with your current equipment. Your camera should be capable of using your own shoe-mounted flash unit(s). A suitable tripod is also required. **Total hours: 15**

**Fee: \$209**

**Note:** There will be five classroom sessions and one field trip (date TBD).

**Instructor:** Kendall Chiles

**Course #26SUPPD250**

Tue., 7/14/2026-8/11/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, 6 classes

## Fine Art Photography - ONLINE

**Prerequisite:** Fundamentals of Digital Photography or instructor's approval

Fine Art Photography places a strong emphasis on expanding your creative skills as a photographer. You will gain a better understanding of the elements and principles of art that make images more powerful and how to apply these principles to your own work. The course includes information on the history of fine art photography and its pioneers as well as the works of contemporary fine art photographers. Through guest speakers, you will learn how successful local fine art photographers have developed their artistic style. You will also learn how to get your work displayed at galleries and art guilds, prepare your photos for galleries and artistic competitions, develop your ability to market and see fine art photography, and how to create and manage a faithful following. As a bonus, you will have the option to receive a one-on-one review and critique of your photography.

**Total hours: 18**

**Fee: \$219**

**Note:** There will be six Zoom sessions and one field trip (date TBD).

**Instructor:** Jack Retterer

**Course #26WIPPD191**

Thu., 1/15/2026-2/19/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, 7 classes

## Fundamentals of Digital Photography (Required)

Learn the basics of DSLR camera operation in this interactive course. We will discuss camera controls, lenses, tripods, accessories, and photo composition. We will also focus on manual exposure and the fundamentals of digital file management.

**Total hours: 24**

**Fee: \$259**

**Note:** There will be eight classroom sessions and one Saturday field trip (date TBD). For this course we recommend you have a digital SLR-type camera and access to the internet.

**Instructor:** Kendall Chiles

**Course #26WIPPD203**

Mon., 1/26/2026-3/23/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, 9 classes

**Course #26SUPPD203**

Thu., 9/10/2026-11/5/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, 9 classes

**Note:** One night will be skipped (date TBD).

## **NEW** Essentials of Wildlife Photography

**Prerequisite:** Fundamentals of Digital Photography or instructor's approval

This course highlights the art and skill of wildlife photography. You will learn how to use your camera effectively, compose striking images, and locate wildlife at home or while traveling abroad. Topics include equipment basics, ethical field practices, strategies for photographing animals, techniques for capturing motion and behavior, and editing in Adobe Lightroom Classic. By the end of the course, you will create a small portfolio that reflects both technical growth and artistic expression. **Total hours: 18**

**Fee: \$219**

**Instructor:** Hill Henry

**Note:** There will be classroom sessions and 1-2 field trips.

**Course #26SPPD1330**

Wed., 4/8/2026-5/20/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, 6 classes

**Note:** No class on April 29.

**Course #26FAPPD1330**

Wed., 10/7/2026-11/11/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, 6 classes

## Nature & Travel Photography

In this course you will discover the skills and techniques to take stunning photographs of the natural world that surrounds us. We will also cover the basic principles of exposure, metering, light, and composition and information on equipment and films used for nature photography. **Total hours: 24**

**Fee: \$259**

**Instructor:** Kendall Chiles

**Note:** There will be eight classroom sessions and one field trip (TBD).

**Course #26WIPPD874**

Thu., 3/12/2026-5/7/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, 9 classes



### Photoshop Tools & Techniques for Photography

Dive into enhancing your images in Photoshop with J. Wade Tipton, a masterful Photoshop artisan. With an emphasis on portrait photography, this course equips you with a better understanding of the “how to’s” and the “why’s” of Photoshop, from simple retouching to image extractions as well as image compositing while following along on your laptop. Learn keyboard shortcuts and exposure compensation while understanding the most used tools in Photoshop. Learn how to enhance eyes and retouch skin. Learn how to color correct and how not to over-retouch an image. Learn the theory and power of layers and masks and new skills such as A.I. This course will help you take your Photoshop skills to a new level. **Note:** You will need a laptop already loaded with Photoshop. A pen and tablet are recommended but not required.

**Total hours: 18**

**Fee: \$229**

**Instructor:** J. Wade Tipton

**Course #26WIPPD1280**

Tue., 1/13/2026-2/24/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, 7 classes

### Portrait Photography

*Prerequisite: Fundamentals of Digital Photography*

Several key elements make up a successful photographic portrait, including exposure, composition, color, and lighting. There is much room for creativity in the making of a beautiful portrait, and this hands-on course gives you the opportunity to learn and develop the skills needed. We will explore the use of natural light, reflectors and gobos, and strobe lighting—both on location and in a studio setting. **Total hours: 20**

**Fee: \$239**

**Note:** There will be six classroom sessions and two field trips (date TBD).

**Instructor:** Wade Tipton

**Course #26SUPPD230**

Tue., 8/18/2026-10/6/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, 8 classes



### Street Photography

This course teaches you to find or grow your style by pushing you out of your comfort zone and into the wild world of street photography. You will train your eye to find art in mundane and order and composition in the daily hustle and bustle surrounding you. This course furthers your abilities by utilizing fundamental compositional elements and delving into the technical aspects of photography and gear to achieve your creative vision. This course aims to inspire you through introducing new ways to see and perceive the world around you. **Total hours: 20**

**Fee: \$239**

**Instructor:** Grayson Martin

**Course #26WIPPD1295**

Tue., 3/10/2026-4/28/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, 8 classes



### UT Photography Weekend

Join us for the UT Photography Weekend and go beyond the technical side of photography to create images that capture a sense of place for the subject or scene. You will have an opportunity to take evening cityscape images in Knoxville, visit Fort Loudoun State Historic Park in Vonore, Tennessee, and visit Great Smoky Mountains National Park. A final class session will be used for critiquing each person's images from the previous weekend.

**Total hours: 18 / Fee: \$239**

**Instructor:** Kendall Chiles

**Course # 26FAPPD254**

Fri.-Sun. & Mon., 11/6/2026-11/8/2026 & 11/16/2026, 4 classes

Fri., 11/6/2026, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, UT Conference Center, downtown Knoxville

Sat., 11/7/2026, 7:45 AM, Meet at designated location in Knoxville, 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Roundtrip to Ft. Loudoun State Historic Park

Sun., 11/8/2026, 6:45 AM, Meet at designated location in Knoxville, 7:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Roundtrip to Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Mon., 11/16/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, UT Conference Center, downtown Knoxville

# PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

Satisfy your curiosity by enrolling in one of our popular personal enrichment courses! Taking courses just for fun is a wonderful way to explore new interests, learn new skills, and expand your knowledge base. It is also a wonderful way to meet new people and connect with others who share similar interests. Additionally, these courses can provide a sense of personal fulfillment and satisfaction and can serve to relieve stress and promote mental health. Whether you love the outdoors, are interested in getting better control of your finances, or just want to develop a fun new skill, like photography – we have a course for you.



# PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

## **NEW** Your Recipe for Success: From Stuck to Successful in 8 Weeks!

Are you ready to take the next step toward a more fulfilling life and career?

Whether you are navigating a career pivot, exploring what is next, or seeking deeper clarity and confidence in your path forward – this powerful course will help you unlock your Purpose, Passion, and Potential and apply them to create a life you love. Led by professional speaker Kevin Green, this course draws from his four signature keynote frameworks used to inspire thousands of students, professionals, and athletes nationwide. Through guided reflection, practical tools, and live facilitation, you will learn how to align who you are with what you do, integrate your life story, and develop the mindset of a champion. Learners will create a capstone project and personalized roadmap, their recipe for success! A 45-page workbook is included for each learner. You will need to bring a laptop to each class.

**Fee: \$229**

**Instructor:** Knoxville-based chef Kevin Green's work includes prestigious, regional fine dining establishments, corporate research and development, private chef work, culinary education, and career motivation and coaching.

**Course #26WIPPD1329**

Tue., 1/20/2026-3/10/2026, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, 8 classes

## **NEW** Adult Stress Management Bootcamp

This course is designed to provide adults with practical tools and strategies to effectively manage stress in their lives. Over six interactive lessons, you will explore the nature of stress, its impact on mental and physical health, and develop personalized stress management plans. Key topics include understanding brain functions related to stress, identifying everyday stressors, exploring the relationship between emotions and stress, and practicing grounding techniques. The course will also incorporate hands-on activities, group discussions, and creative expression to foster a supportive environment. By the end of the bootcamp, you will have gained valuable insights and skills to enhance their overall well-being and resilience in the face of stress. **Fee: \$169**

**Instructor:** Feixia Wang has a Master of Science in counseling from Carson-Newman University and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in counselor education at the University of Tennessee.

**Course #26WIPPD1337**

Thu., 3/26/2026-4/9/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes

**Course #26FAPPD1337**

Thu., 10/15/2026-10/29/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 3 classes

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# JUST FOR FUN

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## **NEW** Beginner Pickleball

This is a beginner pickleball course covering the fundamental aspects of the sport, including basic rules, scoring, court positioning, and essential techniques for serving, returning, and volleying. This course is designed for individuals with little to no experience in pickleball, providing a supportive environment to learn the fundamentals and build confidence for casual play. All equipment will be provided. All classes will be held at Pickleville Tennessee, 2639 Topside Road, Louisville, TN 37777

### **Course #26WIPPD1309**

Tue., 2/3/2026-2/24/2026, 4 sessions, Noon - 1:30 PM

### **Course #26SUPPD1309**

Tue., 8/4/2026-8/25/2026, 4 sessions, 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

## **NEW** Intermediate Pickleball

Refine your pickleball skills and master advanced shots. This course is for players who understand the rules and want to develop consistency in their dinks, drives, and third shot drops. You will also practice tactical court positioning and doubles strategy. All classes will be held at Pickleville Tennessee, 2639 Topside Road, Louisville, TN 37777

### **Fee: \$139**

### **Course #26WIPPD1310**

Tue., 3/17/2026-4/7/2026, 4 sessions, Noon - 1:30 PM

### **Course #26SUPPD1310**

Tue., 9/8/2026-9/29/2026, 4 sessions, 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

## **NEW** Sourdough Masterclass

Join our hands-on sourdough bread-making course, designed for beginners to intermediate bakers. You will experience the complete sourdough process through guided instruction and practical experience. Learn to create and maintain a sourdough starter, mix and shape your own loaf, score and bake a rested dough, and craft homemade butter. Leave the class with the confidence and skills to bake artisan sourdough bread at home.

### **Fee: \$149**

Dress code required: Long pants and closed toe shoes  
**Instructor:** Chef Darien Clure is a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America, professional sourdough baker, and guest instructor with the UT Culinary Program.

### **Course #26WIPPD1323**

Tue., 2/17/2026, 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM, held at the UT Conference Center, 4th Floor

### **Course #26FAPPD1323**

Tue., 11/17/2026, 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM, held at the UT Conference Center, 4th Floor



## **NEW** Introduction to Landscape Painting & Creating Illusionist Space - ONLINE

This online studio art course will introduce you to the basic concepts of depicting landscape space and creating the illusion of depth on a two-dimensional surface. We will focus on the most important aspects of creating illusionistic space that is necessary for painting and drawing landscape imagery. You will approach each new topic by first making quick copies of some master artists' works, focusing on one artist per week, which exemplify specific illusionistic "tricks." You will then create their own interpretations of these same techniques while working from memory, from photos or from a landscape view for inspiration.

### **Fee: \$199**

**Instructor:** Lily Prince, MFA, is an accomplished artist with her work appearing in *The New York Times* and *New York Magazine*. She has lectured at Yale University, Vassar College, and Cornell University. She was a tenured professor of painting for many years and now teaches courses online.

### **Course #26WIPPD1333**

Thu., 2/5/2026-3/12/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, 6 classes - ONLINE

### **Course #26SUPPD1333**

Thu., 9/3/2026-10/8/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, 6 classes - ONLINE

## **NEW** Hidden Influences: Lost Literary Gems of the Twentieth Century - ONLINE

*The Ugly American*, *Peyton Place*, *The Jungle* - What do these novels have in common? They are works of fiction from the 20th century that are pivotal and enduring in the literary lexicon and the culture at large but have been unread! We will discuss these books in the context of their time as well as consider their relevance to our current era and the odd perch on which these stories have alighted. You will be required to read the books ahead of the course in any manner that is convenient to you (purchased book, Kindle, borrow, etc.).

### **Fee: \$149**

**Instructor:** Richard Klin

**Course #26WIPPD1332** Books: *The Ugly American*, Eugene Burdick and William Lederer; *The Jungle*, Upton Sinclair; *Babbitt*, Sinclair Lewis; *The Man in the Gray Flannel Suit*, Sloan Wilson  
Thu., 2/5/2026-2/26/2026, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM, 4 classes - ONLINE

**Course #26SUPPD1332** Books: *On the Road*, Jack Kerouac; *Peyton Place*, Grace Metalious; *The Stepford Wives*, Ira Levin; *Ragged Dick*, Horatio Alger  
Thu., 9/3/2026-9/24/2026, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM, 4 classes - ONLINE

### An Exploration of Artificial Intelligence - ONLINE

Dive into the world of artificial intelligence and learn about the capabilities of A.I. technology in this curiosity-inducing five-session course. Each week we will focus on a new topic, from the fundamentals, facts, and how to detect AI in everyday life to pop culture representations, culminating in a look at the future of the technology.

**Fee: \$119**

**Instructor:** John Cooper

**Course #26FAPPD1279**

Tue., 11/3/2026-12/1/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM,  
5 classes - ONLINE

### The Animated Screen

This five-session course surveys evolving animation techniques for film and television. The late-19th and early 20th century saw the development of animation from Stuart Blackton and "Chalk Talks," Winsor McCay's shift from magazine illustrator to animator of short subjects, the Bray Studios' contributions to cel animation, and Fleischer Studios cementing the bond between newspaper comics and the animated screen with Betty Boop and Popeye. Through the 1920s, Disney Studios began its incredible run, pioneering work in sound and color as well as perfecting the feature-length animated film. We will also cover television studios and animator/producers including Hanna-Barbera, Chuck Jones, Filmation (Star Trek: The Animated Series), Depatie-Freleng (The Pink Panther), Jay Ward (Rocky and Bullwinkle), and Bob Clampett (Beany and Cecil).

**Fee: \$119**

**Instructor:** John Cooper

**Course #26FAPPD1278**

Mon., 11/2/2026-11/30/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM,  
5 classes

### Music for Movies

Join us for a grounding in the historical, technical, and aesthetic dimensions of music in film. The focus will be on the musical score in dramatic and comedic films. We will examine the many ways a composer prepares to score a film as well as the many uses of music for film. Ours will be an historical perspective as we trace the changes in film music from the days of silent cinema to the "way-out, a-go-go films" of today.

**Fee: \$119**

**Instructor:** John Cooper

**Course # 26WIPPD1268**

Mon., 2/2/2026-3/9/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM, 6 classes



### Exploring the Night Sky

Learn to navigate the heavens with binoculars and telescopes, observing galaxies, globular and open clusters, star-forming regions, planets, and Earth's moon. You will also learn about the latest research expeditions and receive tips on buying telescopes, binoculars, and cameras for astrophotography.

**Fee: \$99**

**Instructor:** Paul Lewis

**Course #26FAPPD685**

Mon., 11/2/2026-11/23/2026, 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM, 4 classes, held at UT Nielsen Physics Building, Room 108



### Urban Hiking Tour of Knoxville

This course includes four guided tours through Knoxville's most fascinating areas, including a surprise destination during one session. We will visit the University of Tennessee campus, discover the sculpture and biography of National Cemetery and Old Gray Cemetery, and explore downtown Knoxville. Each walk will last about two hours, and we will conduct them rain or shine. (If the weather is terrible, we will find a place inside to talk.)

**Fee: \$139**

**Instructor:** Jack Neely

**Course #26SPPPD299**

Wed., 4/8/2026-4/29/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM,  
4 classes

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Call 865-523-1135 for more information.

**Course # 26WISCL**

**Fee: \$40 per person or \$65 per couple**

Tue. & Thu., 3/24/2026-5/7/2026,  
1:00 PM - 3:30 PM, 14 classes

**Course # 26FASCL**

**Fee: \$40 per person or \$65 per couple**

Tue. & Thu., 9/15/2026-10/29/2026,  
1:00 PM - 3:30 PM, 14 classes

# PERSONAL FINANCE & BUSINESS



## Financial Survival for Retirement

If you are retired or planning to retire soon, this course teaches you how to better manage and control your investments, how to develop an income plan that can provide income security for life, and how to reduce taxes on IRA/401(k) distributions.

**Fee: \$79**

**Instructor:** Jim Brogan

**Course #26WIPPD515**

Thu., 2/5/2026 & 2/12/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM,  
2 classes

## Planning for Retirement

This course is necessary for anyone thinking about retiring. There are many challenges to retirement, including maximizing social security benefits, healthcare, structuring your investments to minimize taxes, and shifting your mindset from growth to preservation of assets and income creation and investment strategies. This course helps you design a sustainable retirement income strategy and address the challenges of retirement. **Fee: \$79**

**Instructor:** John Fawaz, CFP®

**Course #26WIPPD513**

Tue., 2/17/2026 & 2/24/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM,  
2 classes

**Course #26FAPPD513**

Tue., 10/20/2026 & 10/27/2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM,  
2 classes

## **NEW** How To Value a Business & Build a Sellable Business

We will walk through the process of maximizing the value of a business and help owners discover the secrets of running an efficient and profitable business. The workshop will give an overview of seller's discretionary earnings (what it is and how to find it for each business) and examining industry multiples to understand how businesses can know their worth. Then we review the process of building a business that is attractive and sellable in the marketplace. **Fee: \$199**

**Instructor:** Doug Kose, CBI (Certified Business Intermediary)

**Course #26WIPPD1230**

Thu., 2/26/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

## **Tax 101: Self-Employment Income - ONLINE**

Are you interested in starting your own business, earning additional income (through Uber or Lyft, for example), or considering a work opportunity where you would be paid on Form 1099? In this course you will learn how this income is taxed, how to record your income, and how to claim expenses incurred.

**Fee: \$179**

**Instructor:** Evonne Kautz, EA

**Course #26SPPPD456**

Tue. & Thu., 4/21/2026-5/7/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM,  
6 classes

## **Tax 101: Rental Income - ONLINE**

Are you considering making your home a rental property, buying property and turning it into a rental, or offering property for rent on Airbnb? In this course you will learn basic tax concepts for rental property, best practices for recording your income and expenses, and what documentation is required.

**Fee: \$179**

**Instructor:** Evonne Kautz, EA

**Course #26FAPPD1597**

Tue. & Thu., 10/20/2026-11/5/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM,  
6 classes

## **NEW** Tax 101: What's New - OBBBA

### Tax Act - ONLINE

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act was enacted into law on July 4, 2025, containing 100+ tax provisions. What is in it for you? Learn details about the headlines you have heard...New Deduction for Seniors, No Tax on Tips, No Tax on Overtime, No Tax on Car Loan Interest, plus Increased Child Tax Credit and Increased State and Local Tax (SALT) Deduction. What is in it for your business? Tax wins include return of 100% Bonus Depreciation expenses, Deductions for Research and Development (R&D) expenses, and changes to the thresholds for issuing Forms 1099. Sign up now to get all the details to maximize your tax savings!

**Fee: \$179**

**Instructor:** Evonne Kautz, EA

**Course #26WIPPD1331**

Tue. & Thu., 1/20/2026-2/5/2026, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM,  
6 classes



# LANGUAGE & WRITING

All courses are held at the UT Conference Center, downtown Knoxville, unless otherwise noted.

## Spanish for Beginners I

Spanish is one of the easiest foreign languages for an English speaker to learn. Explore the language for yourself and discover if you have an aptitude for learning languages. You will learn basic grammar and vocabulary, common phrases, and useful expressions. Required textbook: Madrigal's *Magic Key to Spanish*.

Fee: \$139

Instructor: Ronald Browning

Course #26WIPPD624

Tue, 1/27/2026-3/10/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, 7 classes

## Spanish for Beginners II

Prerequisite: Spanish for Beginners I

In this course you will begin to grasp the Spanish language even better, understand the practicality of knowing Spanish, and discover the satisfaction of speaking a second language. You will learn more grammar, vocabulary, common phrases, and useful expressions. Required textbook: Madrigal's *Magic Key to Spanish*. Fee: \$139

Instructor: Ronald Browning

Course #26WIPPD630

Mon, 1/26/2026-3/9/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, 7 classes

**NEW** Course #25FAPPD630

Mon, 9/14/2026-10/26/2026, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, 7 classes

## **NEW** Write Your Book!

Has anyone ever told you that you should write a book? Do you feel compelled to teach, inspire, encourage, or entertain others with your ideas or life experiences? Learn how to finally write the story only

you can tell. In this workshop, publisher Jody Dyer, who has helped over 400 writers reach their goals, will help you develop ideas, organize content, and discover writing methods that fit your style. You will learn how to avoid common mistakes and leave with practical tools and a clear plan to begin and FINISH writing your book. Fee: \$99

Instructor: Jody Dyer

Course #26WIPPD1231

Thu, 1/22/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Course #26SUPPD1231

Tue, 8/18/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

## **NEW** Publish Your Book

Publish with confidence by learning your options. Are you ready to share your book with the world but not sure how to publish it? Publisher Jody Dyer will walk you through the three modern publishing paths and share the pros, cons, stats, costs, profitability, and steps for each so you can make the best choice for your goals, budget, and timeline. Fee: \$99

Instructor: Jody Dyer

Course #26WIPPD1258

Thu, 2/19/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Course #26SUPPD1258

Tue, 9/15/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

## **NEW** Market Your Book!

Find readers and grow your book sales by learning the basics of book promotion. Whether you have an idea, a manuscript in process, or a published book, marketing starts now. Publisher Jody Dyer will show

you how to identify your audience, create simple marketing tools, and use practical strategies to get your book noticed. You will leave with a step-by-step plan to start and keep promoting your work. Fee: \$99

Instructor: Jody Dyer

Course #26WIPPD1259

Thu, 3/19/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Course #26FAPPD1259

Tue, 10/20/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

## **NEW** Write Your Children's Book

You can write a children's book that inspires young readers. Do you dream of writing a story that will spark imagination and joy for young readers? In this workshop, author and publisher Jody Dyer will guide you through the unique process of creating children's books. You will learn how to develop story ideas, shape characters, and write in a style that speaks to children while also appealing to parents and teachers. The course will cover how to choose age-appropriate content, how illustrations and text work together, and how to avoid common mistakes that keep children's books from connecting with readers. Whether your goal is to create a picture book, an early reader, or a chapter book, you will leave with the tools and confidence to begin writing your children's book.

Fee: \$99

Instructor: Jody Dyer

Course #26SPPD1325

Thu, 4/23/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Course #26FAPPD1325

Tue, 11/17/2026, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

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# SMOKY MOUNTAIN FIELD SCHOOL



The Smoky Mountain Field School is a unique educational partnership between the UT Center for Professional Education & Lifelong Learning and Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Now in its 48th season, the program gives adult learners the opportunity to explore one of America's most treasured natural landscapes while gaining in-depth knowledge about its ecology, history, and cultural significance. Through expert-led, half-day courses, the Field School provides an immersive learning experience that connects you with the beauty and complexity of the Smokies. Whether you're a nature enthusiast, a lifelong learner, or someone seeking adventure, the program caters to all levels of interest and expertise.

Each year, the Smoky Mountain Field School offers a diverse range of courses covering topics such as flora, fauna, geology, photography, and Appalachian history. You will have the chance to learn from experienced instructors who bring a wealth of knowledge and passion to their teaching.

**The fee for each Field School course is \$69.**

## Hiking with Confidence

### Course #26WISMFS859

Sat., 3/21/2026, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Instructor:** Liz Domingue

## White Oak Sink

### Naturalist Ramble

### Course #26WISMFS853

Sat., 3/28/2026, 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

**Instructor:** Liz Domingue

## Birds of Cades Cove

### Course #26SPSMFS979

Sat., 4/18/2026, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**Instructor:** Liz Domingue

## Foraging for Food & Farmacy

### Course #26SPSMFS881

Sat., 4/25/2026, 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

### Course #26SPSMFS881-1

Sat., 6/13/2026, 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

### Course #26SUSMFS881-2

Sat., 8/15/2026, 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

**Instructor:** Ila Hatter

## Spring Climbs the Mountain

### Course #26SPSMFS1300

Sat., 4/18/2026, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

**Instructors:** Joel & Kathy Zachry

## Community Science

### Course #26SPSMFS1273

Sat., 4/25/2026, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Instructor:** Wanda DeWaard

## Trees of the Cove Hardwood Trail

### Course #26SPSMFS1274

Sat., 5/23/2026, 9:30 AM - Noon

**Instructors:** Joel & Kathy Zachry

## Photography for Naturalists: Capturing

### Nature Through the Lens

### Course #26SPSMFS907

Sat., 5/16/26, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Instructor:** Liz Domingue

## A Night Walk with the Fireflies

### Course #26SPSMFS866

### Course #26SPSMFS866-1

Final course dates will not be set until the firefly lottery dates are announced by Great Smoky Mountains National Park, in April 2026. Once you are registered, we will contact you with dates.

**Instructor:** Wanda DeWaard

## Sensational Salamanders

### Course # 26SUSMFS882

Sat., 7/11/2026, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**Instructor:** Liz Domingue



Scan the QR code for full descriptions of each course and to learn more!



## Plant Diversity of the Smokies

### Course # 26SUSMFS999

Sat., 8/8/2026, 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Instructor:** Liz Domingue

## Monarchs, Butterflies, & Flutterbies in Cades Cove

### Course # 26SUSMFS910

Sat., 9/26/2026, 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM

**Instructor:** Wanda DeWaard

## Cherokee Plant Lore & More

### Course #26FASMFS738

Sat., 10/3/2026, 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

**Instructor:** Ila Hatter

## Elkmont: Transition & Change

### Course #26FASMFS938

Sat., 11/14/2026 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

**Instructor:** Arthur "Butch" McDade

# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

UT Center for Professional Education & Lifelong Learning reserves the right to cancel, postpone, or combine courses/camps and substitute qualified instructors when necessary.

## AGE RESTRICTIONS

You must be 18 or older to register for and attend a UT CPELL course. If you register anyone younger than 18 years old for a regular non-credit course, we will automatically cancel the registration and issue a refund minus the \$25 processing fee.

## CANCELLATION/REFUND/TRANSFER POLICY

Requests for course cancellations must be made in writing by emailing [professionaled@utk.edu](mailto:professionaled@utk.edu).

**Course cancellation requests made at least five (5) business days prior to the first course session are eligible for a refund of the course fee(s) minus a \$25 or three percent processing fee (whichever is greater) for credit card charges and administrative costs for each registration cancelled.** We are happy to transfer you from one course to another, within the same quarter, or you may send a substitute in your place. If we cancel a course for any reason, you are eligible for a refund, upon request. **PLEASE NOTE: The UT fee waiver policy for faculty and staff does not apply to non-credit courses.**

**UT CULINARY LUNCHEONS** - There are no refunds for UT Culinary Luncheons. Please check your schedule carefully.

**SMOKY MOUNTAIN FIELD SCHOOL** - Requests for cancellation must be made in writing at least ten (10) business days prior to the course's start to meet the requirements for a refund, minus a \$25 or three percent processing fee.

## RETURNED CHECKS

For all returned checks there is a \$30 fee that increases to \$40 if the check is not redeemed within two weeks of notification. All returned checks must be paid with a money order or cashier's check in our office: UT Conference Center, 600 Henley Street, Suite 211, Knoxville, TN 37902.

## WINTER WEATHER POLICY

CPELL follows the University's official Inclement Weather Policy: <https://prepare.utk.edu/emergency-management/inclement-weather-policy/>. If you have questions, please call us during office hours (8:00 AM to 5:00 PM) or visit our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/UTNonCreditPrograms/>

## CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS (CEUS)

All courses will provide Continuing Education Units (CEUs). One CEU is equal to 10 hours of instruction. CEUs are provided on request. Please verify its applicability with your professional board. Your signature is required on the class roster followed by a phone/written request to our office. You will receive credit for classes attended.

## CERTIFICATES AND MICROCREDENTIALS

Once you have completed the requirements for your certificate or microcredential, please complete the [Certificate Program Request Form](#).

## IRS 1098-T FORM

The 1098-T form is the tuition statement that your college or career school uses to report qualified tuition and related education expenses to you and the IRS. Non-credit courses and programs offered by CPELL do not qualify for 1098-T credit, so we do not issue such forms to our learners. For detailed information please consult IRS Publication 970, Tax Benefits for Higher Education, which describes the tax credits along with other tax savings opportunities related to the higher cost of education. It may be obtained at any IRS office, by calling 1-800-829-1040, or <https://www.irs.gov/publications/p970/ch03.html>.

## OFFICE HOURS

Our office hours are 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Mon.-Fri. Our office will be closed on 1/1, 1/19, 4/3, 5/25, 6/19, 7/3, 9/7, 11/26-27, & 12/21-25. This information is current as of October 2025 and may change based on the official UT holiday schedule.

## DISABILITY STATEMENT

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### Online

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### Telephone

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### In Person

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**UT Conference Center:** 600 Henley St, Knoxville, TN 37902

**Locust Street Garage:** 540 Locust St SW, Knoxville, TN 37902

For all courses in the Conference Center, learners are responsible for their own parking.

**As of October 2025,** Locust Street Garage offers free parking on weeknights after 6 p.m. and weekends. You can enter garage from Locust St or Walnut St. Hourly rate: \$1/hour, \$7 max/day.

For more information, visit <https://www.knoxparking.org/parking/locust-street-garage>.



## CAMPUS PARKING

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