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UH West O'ahu offers professional development course for facilities management professionals Course open to the public

KAPOLEI --- The University of Hawai'i – West O'ahu is pleased to offer a four-day professional development certificate course *Cost Estimating for Decision Makers*, designed for current facility management practitioners who use cost estimating and engineering economics for rational decision making.

This course (1.5 continuing education units (CEU)) will help participants:

- develop and evaluate cost estimates before implementing projects
- become competent practitioners and informed consumers of cost estimates
- understand the strengths and weaknesses of the cost estimate approach, the role of risk and uncertainty, and sensitivity analysis
- know the right questions to ask when receiving cost estimates

Instructor Dan Nussbaum holds a Ph.D. in mathematics from Michigan State University, and has a fellowship from the National Science Foundation in Econometrics and Operations Research at Washington State University. As director of the Naval Center for Cost Analysis in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Navy in Washington, D.C., Nussbaum worked as the chief advisor to the Secretary of the Navy on all aspects of cost and schedule estimating and control.

Who should attend

Cost Estimating for Decision Makers is designed for facility managers, property managers, general managers, sustainability directors, resource managers and practitioners who review cost estimates and are responsible for making decisions that involve resource allocations and policy choices. The course is also geared for contractors and others who want to understand how facilities managers make financial decisions.

Date

Sept. 28 - Oct. 1 from 1-5 p.m. at UH West O'ahu.

Cost

\$250 for Hawai'i residents and IFMA Hawai'i members \$500 for non-Hawai'i residents

How to register

Call (808) 689-2384 or email Sherry Proper at sproper@hawaii.edu to receive a course registration form.

Cost Estimating for Decision Makers at UH West Oʻahu is funded by a grant from the Office of Naval Research and support from the International Facility Management Association (IFMA) Hawaii Chapter and Hawaii Energy, the conservation and efficiency program.

UH West Oʻahu also offers a <u>Bachelor of Applied Science concentration in Facilities Management</u>. To apply to UH West Oʻahu, visit <u>uhwo.hawaii.edu/admissions</u>, call (808) 689-2900 or email uhwo.admissions@hawaii.edu.

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