Materials Management Concepts

The “Materials Management Concepts” curriculum is a series of five courses that prepare a candidate to take and pass the Basics of Supply Chain Management (BSCM) entry level exam for the Certified in Inventory and Production Management (CPIM) credential. The five courses and topics of the concepts curriculum are:

Continuous Improvement Methods
- Products and Processes
- Just-In-Time/lean Production
- Total Quality Management (TQM)

Demand and Distribution Planning
- Forecasting
- Warehousing
- Physical Distribution
- Distribution Planning

Introduction to Materials Management
- Operating environments
- Supply chain management and metrics
- Materials management defined
- Production planning system
- Master Scheduling
- Material Requirements Planning (MRP)

Inventory Management
- Inventory Fundamentals
- Order Quantities
- Replenishment Systems
- Physical Inventory Accuracy

Production and Capacity Management
- Introduction to Capacity Management
- Production Activity Control
- Purchasing

All Materials Management Concepts course are 8 hours in length. Each session will be 4 hours in duration one day per week. Take the course at your computer, there’s no need to travel and the entire course is 100% instructor led. A computer headset will be provided for all participants. All of the necessary materials are included.

Each course’s price is $495 for APICS members and $595 for non-members. This APICS training qualifies for Employer Worker Training (EWT) and Incumbent Worker Training (IWT) training grants, and Individual Training Accounts (ITA) for the unemployed. If you are interested in any Concepts course or if you have any questions call or e-mail:

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