

PROFESSIONAL LAND MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM
 SYLLABUS MODULE 1 – INTRODUCTION TO LAND MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

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Course Name and Overview	Module 1: Introduction to Land Management Practices Introduction to Land Management practices introduces students to the laws and principles that govern the work of a land professional. The course emphasizes knowledge of the oil and gas industry as a whole as well as an understanding of the various laws that impact a land professional including Real Property Law and Louisiana law. The course also introduces students to the basics of land work including a review of the American Association of Professional Landman (AAPL) Code of Ethics. The course concludes with a history of Legal Descriptions and Land Measurements including how to plot legal descriptions in a township, range and section. Finally, Calculations are offered in each Module. In Module 1, we cover calculations of acreage in legal descriptions.
Recommended Text	American Association of Professional Landman (AAPL) Land Reference Guide
Objectives	By the end of Module 1, students will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the role, duties and qualifications of a landman • Identify the Canons of Ethics of the AAPL, its purpose, and impact • Evaluate the benefits of Membership in the AAPL • Recognize and distinguish the various AAPL certifications and exams • Understand the Real Property Laws of the U.S. • Define the 5 Steps of Petroleum • Understand the History of the U.S. Land Survey Systems • Plot acreage using section, township and range in the Congressional Survey System. • Calculate acreage in various property descriptions.
Forums	Discussion Boards or Forums are on-line chats or group discussions that are required upon the completion of webinars or DVD's. Please post a comment in each forum and comment on the posts of three of your fellow students.
Final Exam	Available On-line.