



Professional Land Management (PLM) Certificate Program

MODULE 1: INTRODUCTION TO LAND MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Course conducted in April and October.

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Overview	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 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.
Text	<u>American Association of Professional Landman (AAPL) Land Reference Guide</u>
Objective	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

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Forum	Discussion Boards or Forums are on-line chats or group discussions that are required upon the completion of webinars or DVDs. Please post a comment in each forum and comment on the posts of three of your fellow students.
Exam	Available Online

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The PLM Certificate Program is an online, self-paced program with six total modules. Each module spans one month and requires approximately 12 hours to complete. The fee per module is \$525.00

Module	Course Title	Session Start
1	Introduction to Land Management Practices	April & October
2	Running Title and Interpreting Conveyance Instruments	May & November
3	Negotiating the Oil and Gas Lease and Lease Calculations	June & December
4	Oil and Gas Law and Its Impact on Land Practices	July & January
5	Legally Enforceable Oil and Gas Contracts	August & February
6	Federal and State Laws that Impact Land Ownership	September & March

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