

Distance learning courses qualify public servants and municipal council members

To promote improved public services by qualifying the service provider is one of the aspects prioritized by the Federal Court of Accounts over the last years. For doing so, the court continues offering distance learning qualifying courses on subjects that are directly connected with the daily activities of the servants and with the public managers.

The purpose of the courses is to disseminate legal rules and good administrative practices that must be complied with by all servants in their duties and, thus, contribute to the proper and regular investment of public funds.

The courses are introductory in areas of governmental relevance and interest. In 2014, for example, classes, such as “Government management structures”, “Controls in the Government and Governmental Planning” and “Budgetary and Financial Management”, are offered.

The program for qualifying public servants and managers was

created in 2009. Since then, more than 94,000 vacancies were already offered for all Brazilian territory. For 2014, there is expectation of additional 14,400 vacancies, but the purpose is to increase such number by means of partnerships and by offering self-instructing courses.

Federal, state and municipal servants may participate, regardless of their place of performance, since classes are given online.

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another public served by the distance education actions are the members of the municipal councils of social assistance. The course “Control Exercised by Councils of Social Assistance” intends to reinforce and update information so that they may optimize the provision of services to society.

The Municipal Councils of Social Assistance are liable for exercising the guidance and

control of the Social Assistance Funds, in addition to overseeing social assistance entities and organizations, among other duties.

Among the subjects discussed in the qualification, there are: social assistance in Brazil, control models, performance of members of the municipal councils of social assistance and follow-up of the management of Bolsa Família Program (a social welfare program), as well as of the Social Assistance Local Fund.

The course is intended for council members, but any citizen interested in the subject may enroll himself or herself. The courses offered by TCU are free of charge and since they are online, there is no expense with transportation related to classes or assessments. For more information or enrollment in one of the courses offered by TCU, just go to www.tcu.gov.br and click at “Corporate education”.