

2024 Louisiana General Contractors Seminar

By Louisiana Economic Development

Registration is now open for the Louisiana Contractors Accreditation Institute's (LCAI) General Contractors Seminar. The ten-week course is a key component of Louisiana's nationally recognized training institute for construction professionals. The seminar provides foundational technical knowledge that is essential to a general contractor in order to sustain a business within the construction industry.

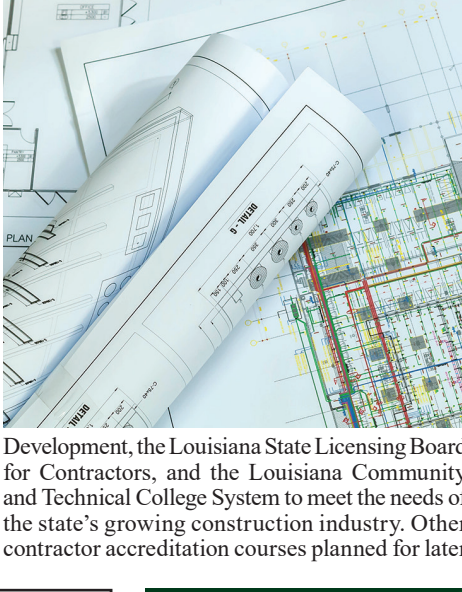
The course will take place via Zoom from February 26 to May 1, consisting of two-hour sessions twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Registration is underway and will continue through February 23. A \$350 fee covers the cost of the course and materials. To register, visit OpportunityLouisiana.gov/LCAI-GC and click the "Apply Now" button.

"The LCAI General Contractors course is a program to help any current or new contracting companies and their key employees learn more about the business," Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors Executive Director Michael

McDuff said. "The partnership of LED, LCTCS, and the Licensing Board for Contractors is a collaborative effort to help the construction industry build better and safer in Louisiana."

The General Contractors Seminar is one of three LCAI programs and is designed for small and emerging construction businesses. Topics to be covered include:

- Print reading
 - Building calculations
 - Site work, demolition, and construction
 - Foundations, formwork, and retaining walls
 - Concrete and masonry
 - Steel construction
 - Finishes
 - Roof structures
 - Structural loads
 - Related trades
 - Special construction and equipment
 - Fire protection systems
 - Safety codes
- Since 2016, more than 1,600 participants have been graduated from LCAI seminars. These seminars are offered by Louisiana Economic



Development, the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors, and the Louisiana Community and Technical College System to meet the needs of the state's growing construction industry. Other contractor accreditation courses planned for later

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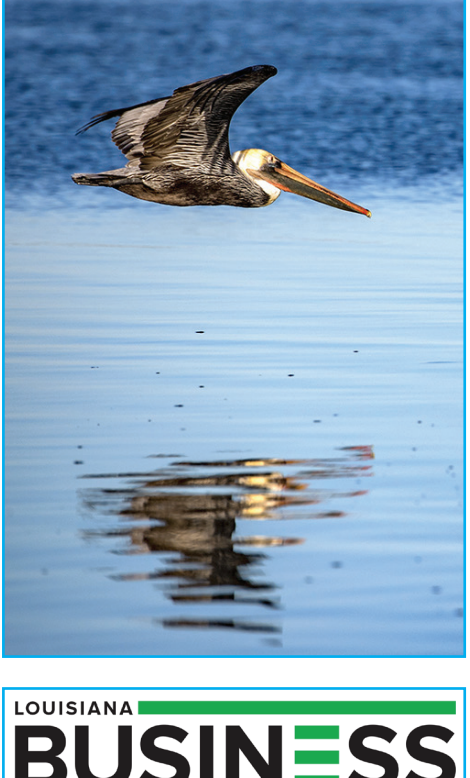
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Thursday, February 15, 2024, 9:00 am–10:00 am CDT Online
Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration
Contact: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/welcome-to-wosb-webinar-tickets-482397041537>
Fee: Free; registration required

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8(a) Orientation and SAM Registration Webinar
Wednesday, February 21, 2024, 9:30 am–10:30 am CDT Online
Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration
Contact: SBA Illinois District Office, 312-353-4528, illinois.do@sba.gov
Fee: Free; registration required
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Selling to the Federal Government Webinar
Thursday, March 28, 2024, 12:00 pm–3:00 pm CDT Online
Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration
Contact: George Tapia, 610-382-3086, george.tapia@sba.gov
Fee: Free; registration required

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