

Awareness of finance in government

If you've never dealt with it before, finance can be a confusing topic. Yet with increasing pressure for public services to deliver excellent value for money, finance is a topic that none of us can afford to ignore.

Description

If you are new to the Civil Service, or have little or no finance expertise, this topic will provide you with insight into how public finances operate. For example, you will learn about the sources of finance and the importance of managing public money. You will be introduced to the main concepts of financial budget management, financial processes and controls and what this all means for your area of work. The issue of accountability will be addressed, alongside the requirements of regularity and propriety.

The learning activities included in this topic will help you understand the role that finance plays in government decision-making.

What does it involve?

This topic is delivered through a number of bite-sized online learning activities, none of which last more than 30 minutes, followed by two short tasks and a face-to-face session with a tutor.

You can also choose to do this topic in a [digital-only](#) format. This comprises a series of online learning activities alongside practical exercises for you to complete in the workplace

What's the outcome?

This topic is designed to improve your confidence when dealing with finance professionals in your day-to-day role. It should also make you more aware of the government's budgetary cycle and processes and how these will affect your work.

A more financially aware Civil Service will result in more informed decision-making across all government departments. In turn, this should deliver public services which provide even greater value for money.

Learning activities




Online
resources



Discussion

Delivery method:

F2F 

VLE 

DGTL 

Estimated learning time:

5 hours

How to book

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