

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR CERTIFICATE TRAINING!

The Land Policy Institute's [Planning & Zoning Center](#) at Michigan State University is offering the **Zoning Administrator Certificate Program** in two locations in Jan-Feb, 2015. The certificate-based training is recommended for all new and current Zoning Administrators, along with private consultants and county planners who consult with local Zoning Administrators. There are eight modules included in each training program leading to a certificate of completion for those that pass an exam associated with each module. Each module is about three hours of instruction (24 hours total). Dates and locations include:

<p>Three-Days-in-a-Row Training: Frankenmuth, MI Tuesday-Thursday: January 20-22, 2015 Bavarian Inn Motor Lodge</p>	<p>Four Days of Training: Plainwell, MI Tuesdays: January 27, February 3, 10, and 17, 2015 Plainwell location: TBD</p>
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Registration information will be available soon, so mark your calendars now. For those unable to attend the dates offered in early 2015, the series will be offered again in 2016. Please let us know if you are interested in the 2016 program, so you can be added to the contact list.

Did you know that there is a prerequisite (if you want to receive the certificate)?

To be eligible for a certificate upon completion of this program, participants will need to have also completed the [MSUE Michigan Citizen Planner](#) program, either classroom-based or online (or be American Institute of Certified Planners certified) and successfully pass a multiple choice examination. The prerequisites section of the forthcoming registration brochure will supply complete details.

Starting September 9th, there are multiple opportunities for the classroom-based Citizen Planner training program.

In addition to the online version which can be taken at any time, there are multiple Michigan Citizen Planner classroom courses being offered prior to the Zoning Administrator Certificate course which will make acquiring that prerequisite easier and timely.

<p>Citizen Planner: Fundamentals of Planning & Zoning - Muskegon County Date: Tuesdays, 6:30pm-9:30pm, September 9, 2014 - October 21, 2014 Location: Laketon Township Hall, Muskegon</p>	<p>Citizen Planner: Fundamentals of Planning & Zoning - Berrien County Date: Wednesdays, 6:00pm-9:00pm, September 10, 2014 - October 22, 2014 Location: Berrien County MSU Extension</p>
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	Office, Benton Harbor
<p><u>Citizen Planner: Fundamentals of Planning & Zoning - Kent County</u></p> <p>Date: Tuesdays, 6:00pm-9:00pm, September 16, 2014 - October 28, 2014</p> <p>Location: Kent County MSU Extension Office, Grand Rapids</p>	<p><u>Citizen Planner - Upper Peninsula Classroom Program</u></p> <p>Date: Tuesdays, 6:00pm-9:00pm, September 30, 2014 - November 11, 2014</p> <p>Location: Hancock, Iron Mountain, and Munising</p>
<p>During the <u>Michigan Association of Planning's 2014 Annual Conference</u></p> <p>Date: October 8, 2014 - October 10, 2014</p> <p>Location: Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island</p>	<p><u>Michigan Citizen Planner - St. Clair County</u></p> <p>Date: Tuesdays, 6:00pm-9:00pm, January 13, 2015 - February 24, 2015</p> <p>Location: St. Clair County Building, Port Huron</p>

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