

Below is a list of auditor training courses available to GroupGAP Internal Auditors in 2019. These training courses are only available to auditors who are affiliated with groups that applied for GroupGAP certification. If your group wants to apply, please contact GroupGAP@ams.usda.gov.

Please note that these classes also are offered to Federal and State personnel, and class sizes are limited. Registration for each class closes 3 weeks prior to the start date of the class.

This year we plan on holding 4 classes for the Harmonized GAP/Harmonized GAP Plus+ standard. Each of these classes are 3.5 days of instruction. **Current auditors or students who wish to be trained in USDA GAP&GHP will need to complete (or have completed) a Harmonized Auditor Class**, and then attend one of our online USDA GAP&GHP transition training 2-day, online class. These classes will be held April 2/3 and June 25/26.

Auditor Training Dates

Dates	Location	Class
Tuesday January 15 – Friday January 18	Parma, ID	Harmonized/Harmonized GAP Plus+
Tuesday February 26 – Friday March 1	Sacramento, CA	Harmonized/Harmonized GAP Plus+
Tuesday April 9 – Friday April 12	Albany, GA	Harmonized/Harmonized GAP Plus+
Tuesday June 18 – Friday June 21	Olathe, KS	Harmonized/Harmonized GAP Plus+

Costs

3.5 day auditor training classes will cost \$900 per participant. The cost for each student includes the training only. All attendees are responsible for their own travel arrangements including hotels, meals, and all transportation. Shuttles will not be provided.

Registration

To register for a class please submit the following information to GroupGAP@ams.usda.gov:

Name
Email Address
Phone Number
Group Name
Class you wish to attend
Current auditor status/prerequisites already completed

Prerequisite

Prior to attendance at any of these classes, **new auditors will need to complete 2 prerequisite class** - an online Fundamentals of Auditing session and the Produce Safety Alliance (PSA) Grower course. There may be costs associated with these courses.

- PSA classes will not be offered onsite this year. More information about the Produce Safety Alliance courses can be found here:
<https://producesafetyalliance.cornell.edu/training/grower-training-courses>
- Information about the online Fundamentals of Auditing course will be provided when student register for their GAP or Harmonized class

Students who have already attended USDA GAP&GHP or Harmonized Auditor training do not need to complete these classes prior to the 2019 training.

Logistics

All attendees are responsible for their own travel arrangements including hotel and transportation to and from the class location. No shuttles will be provided.

All class will be 8am – 5pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and 8am – 12pm on Friday.

Parma, ID Class

Tuesday January 15 through Friday January 18, 8am to 5pm

- Location: JC Watson Packing Company – 201 E Main St, Parma ID
- Nearest Airports: Boise Airport – 42 miles

Sacramento, CA Class

Tuesday February 26 through Friday March 1, 8am to 5pm

- Location: California Department of Food and Agriculture Office – 2800 Gateway Oaks, Sacramento CA
- Nearest Airport: Sacramento International Airport – 9 miles

Albany, GA Class

Tuesday April 8 through Friday April 12, 8am to 5pm

- Location: Georgia Federal-State Inspection Services Office – 951 Pecan Grove Drive, Albany GA
- Nearest Airport: Southwest Georgia Regional Airport – ½ mile

Olathe, KS Class

Tuesday June 18 through Friday June 21, 8am to 5pm

- Location: K-State Olathe Campus – 22201 W. Innovation Dr, Olathe KS
- Nearest Airport: Kansas City International Airport – 40 miles