Attached is a list of auditor training courses available to GroupGAP Internal Auditors in 2018. Additional classes may be offered later in the year. 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.

Auditor Training Dates

Dates	Location	Class
Tuesday February 13 th –	Fresno, CA	USDA GAP&GHP
Friday February 16 th		
Week of March 5 th (Details TBA)	Albuquerque, NM	Harmonized
Tuesday April 3 rd –	Albany, NY	USDA GAP&GHP
Friday April 6 th		
Tuesday April 24 th –	Albany, NY	Harmonized
Friday April 27 th		

Costs

3.5 day auditor training classes (USDA GAP&GHP or Harmonized) 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, <u>new auditors will need to complete 2 prerequisite class</u> - 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 2018 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.

Fresno, CA Class (USDA GAP&GHP)

Tuesday February 13th through Friday February 16th, 8am to 5pm

- Location: USDA AMS Office, 2202 Monterey St. Suite 102A, Fresno, CA 93721
- Phone: (559) 487-5212
- Nearest Airports: Fresno International (FAT): 7 miles

Sacramento (SMF): 182 miles Oakland (OAK): 170 miles San Francisco (SFO): 189 miles

- Nearby Hotels:
 - Radisson Hotel Fresno
 1055 Van Ness Ave, Fresno, CA 93721
 (559) 233-6650
 (Not advisable for walking)
 - Residence Inn Fresno
 5322 N Diana Ave, Fresno, CA 93710
 (559) 222-8900
 - Best Western Plus Fresno480 E Shaw Ave, Fresno, CA 93710

(559) 229-5811

Best Western Clovis Cole415 Clovis Ave, Clovis, CA 93612(559) 299-1547

Please note: Agricultural show is in town – hotel rooms are booking fast

Albuquerque, NM Class (Harmonized)

Week of March 5th

Exact Dates and Located TBA

- Location:
- Nearest Airport
- Nearest Hotels:

Albany, NY Class (USDA GAP&GHP)

Tuesday April 3rd to Friday April 6th, 8am to 5pm

- Location: New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, 10B Airline Drive, Albany, NY 12235
- Nearest Airport: Albany (ALB): 2 miles
- Nearest Hotels:
 - Hilton Garden Inn Albany Airport
 800 Shaker Rd, Latham NY 12211
 (518) 464-6666
 - **Free shuttle to and from airport, training location, and anywhere within 5 miles of hotel**
 - Best Western Albany Airport
 200 Wolf Rd, Albany NY 12205
 (518) 458-1000
 - Courtyard by Marriott Albany Airport 168 Wolf Rd, Albany NY 12205 (518) 482-8800

Albany, NY Class (Harmonized)

Tuesday, April 24th through Friday April 27th, 8am to 5pm

See Information Above

If you have any questions, please contact your Federal Program Manager or the Audit Services Branch