

Personal Financial Planning - Consumer Protection Information

Below are links to programs that provide general information on financial literacy. *Please note: These links are to general financial planning websites only and are not the U.S. Trustee approved providers of the court required financial management courses, which are listed on the following link:*
<http://www.justice.gov/ust/eo/bapcpa/ccde/index.htm>

Billed as C.A.R.E.'s financial literacy partner and endorsed by the National Association of Consumer Advocates, **FoolProof®** provides online newspapers and modules for all age groups: high school (15 hours and 6 modules), home-schooled, community groups, parents, college-age students, young adults, and adults. Go here:
www.aboutfoolproof.com/programs.php

Fundamentals of Personal Financial Planning, an online course hosted by the University of California-Irvine. Go here:
<http://ocw.uci.edu/courses/course.aspx?id=12>

Money 101, an online series of 23 easy lessons hosted by CNNMoney.com. Go here:
<http://money.cnn.com/magazines/moneymag/money101/>

Money Management International general financial information.
www.moneymanagement.org/Financial-Education.aspx

Managing Your Finances, an online course with animation, narration, and music hosted by the University of Texas-San Antonio. Go here:
<http://training.txsbdc.org/course/category.php?id=3>

Three online **courses deal with retirement planning** are offered by Rutgers, the University of Illinois, and Purdue:

www.extension.org/pages/10984/investing-for-your-future

www.retirewell.uiuc.edu/

www.ces.purdue.edu/retirement/

Materials available through the **National Financial Literacy Month Home Page**. The home page includes 30 steps to financial wellness. The steps include such things as a quiz, suggestions for clearing out financial clutter, correcting credit reports, planning savings accounts, and creating a spending plan. In addition, the home page includes a link to Tools for Success, which then links to different resources, such as different worksheets and an eBook titled “Tips for Change.” Go here for the home page: www.financialliteracymonth.com/Default.aspx. Go here for the “Tips” page: www.financialliteracymonth.com/Tools-for-Success.aspx

MyMoney.gov is the U.S. government's website dedicated to teaching all Americans the basics about financial education. The site boasts that “[w]hether you are buying a home, balancing your checkbook, or investing in your 401(k), the resources on MyMoney.gov can help you maximize your financial decisions.” The site includes a collection of resources for all kinds of people – kids, teachers, parents, caregivers, the military, women, retirees, and employers. Go here: www.mymoney.gov

Get Rich Slowly is a site that features articles about basic financial skills, such as budgeting, handling bank accounts, credit and credit cards, and investing. <http://www.getrichslowly.org/blog/about/>

National Endowment for Financial Education, the organization which started the annual Financial Literacy celebration. Go here: www.smartaboutmoney.org/ResourceLibrary/tabid/268/Default.aspx

For college kids: **Forty Money Management Tips Every College Student Should Know**

www.smartaboutmoney.org/ResourceLibrary/SearchResults/tabid/442/Default.aspx?q=forty%20money%20management%20tips&m=832&rc=0

Consumer Finance Protection Bureau website: The central mission of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) is to make markets for consumer financial products and services work for Americans—whether they are applying for a mortgage, choosing among credit cards, or using any number of other consumer financial products.

<http://www.consumerfinance.gov/the-bureau/>