

Excel Formula and Function Basics

Duration: ½ Day

Description

This half day course provides participants with the knowledge to be able to create formulas in Excel, understand the difference between relative and absolute cell references and use the AutoSum button. Participants will also learn how to use the SUM, COUNT and AVERAGE functions, rounding functions, some date functions and the IF and VLOOKUP functions.

Prerequisites

Excel Introduction

Who Should Take This Course?

Anyone who is currently or is expecting to be creating formulas in Excel worksheets and wants to have a good understanding of how to create formulas and how to use the numerical Excel functions.

Objectives

- ✓ Create formulas
- ✓ Understand relative and absolute referencing
- ✓ Understand formula rules
- ✓ Use Excel functions
- ✓ Use the SUBTOTAL function
- ✓ Understand worksheet rounding functions
- ✓ Use dates in calculations
- ✓ Use date functions
- ✓ Use the conditional functions
- ✓ Use the multiple criteria functions
- ✓ Use the IF function
- ✓ Use the VLOOKUP function

Course Outline

Writing Formulas in Excel

- Writing and re-using formulas
- Using multiple cell references
- Relative and absolute cell references
- Creating linked formulas

Working with Formulas

- Order of precedence
- Showing, hiding and evaluating formulas

Exploring Excel Functions

- What are functions?
- Using the AUTOSUM button to SUM, COUNT and AVERAGE
- Using functions in a worksheet
- Using the SUBTOTAL function

Basic Worksheet Rounding

- Rounding using formatting
- Using the rounding functions ROUND, ROUNDUP, ROUNDDOWN
- Rounding to a multiple of a number using MROUND, CEILING and FLOOR
- Removing the decimal part of a number using INT and TRUNC

Working with Dates

- Calculating with dates
- Displaying the current date and time using TODAY and NOW
- Creating a list of dates
- Calculating the month end date using EOMONTH

Conditional Functions

- Using SUMIF, AVERAGEIF and COUNTIF
- Using the multiple criteria functions SUMIFS, AVERAGEIFS and COUNTIFS

Logical Functions

- Using the IF function
- Create nested IF formulas
- Using IFERROR

Using the VLOOKUP function

- Using the VLOOKUP function
- Finding the closest match
- Finding an exact match