The PNY Core is a set of program series that builds the up-to-date skills and knowledge that every philanthropic professional needs to be effective. Designed to meet your needs at every stage of your career, these interactive and skills-based programs are offered year-round at Philanthropy New York.

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“Attending the first Philanthropy 101 class gave me the opportunity to dive deeper into our country’s giving culture. I walked away with a robust overview on philanthropy in the U.S., but I also left with key questions that philanthropy professionals should consider as they go through their careers.”

- Past PNY Core Participant

Are you or your colleagues looking to strengthen your philanthropic core? We invite you to review these PNY Core offerings, register yourself and/or a colleague. This is a stellar opportunity for staff professional development to strengthen everyone’s core.

To learn more about PNY Core, obtain up-to-date information on course offerings and dates, or to register for upcoming sessions, visit our website.
PHILANTHROPY 101
Fall
If you are just getting started in the sector, Philanthropy 101 is for you. The curriculum is relevant to any new staff at any professional level and in any role (grantmaking, administrative or operational) working in a foundation. This five-part interactive series helps participants gain the working knowledge they need to understand and navigate the field of philanthropy.

FINANCIAL SERIES
Winter / Spring
The Finance Fundamentals strengthens understanding of how to assess organizational health through financial analysis. Designed for any role, from trustee to staff, funders will build their skills to analyze grantee financial documents. We recommend taking the entire set of six fundamental programs for those seeking a refresher or learning about finances for the first time, but you may also choose to just participate in a specific offering, such as the four-part mini-series on how to analyze and evaluate grantee IRS Form 990s and financial statements.

LEGAL SERIES
Fall / Winter (offered every other year)
Aimed at program officers, executive directors of small foundations, grants managers as well as legal and/or general counsels looking for a refresh, this series offers insight to a wide range of philanthropic organizations that may not have their own in-house counsel. Participants will learn the nuance of legal statutes affecting philanthropy and the nonprofit sector to better navigate complex terrain.

POLICY CORE
Spring (offered every other year)
The Policy Core Series helps funders navigate the legal, strategic and governance activity necessary to incorporate advocacy and amplify their work. The in-depth series is structured to allow participants at different levels of knowledge and responsibility to engage as they choose through topical sessions. Past programs have focused on implementation and administrative advocacy after a campaign, New York State-level campaigns and the work with foundation boards.

EVALUATION SERIES
Spring
The Measuring What Matters: Funder Evaluation Series encourages funders to look internally at their foundation’s values, practices and strategies in service of building a culture of quality improvement. This three-part program helps funders better align their work with the impact they wish to see in the world. The program is designed to orient experienced professionals with limited evaluation expertise to both academic knowledge and field-based lessons so they can more successfully engage in evaluation processes. This program is not intended to teach the basics of evaluating grantee programs.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS AND STRATEGIES
for New Program Officers
Winter
ESS orients new program staff (with less than three years of experience) to their roles. This intensive course is led by experienced grantmaking and legal experts and prepares you for the “art and science” of philanthropy. The comprehensive curriculum is cohort-based, so you can build relationships with peers and develop a peer-learning framework to enhance your practice for the long-term.

Got Questions? (or suggestions?)
Contact Yi-Ching Lin, Senior Director of Learning Services, at ylin@philanthropynewyork.org or 212-714-0699 ext. 210

We are deeply committed to offering sessions that meet your needs. If there are other areas of programming that you think we should add to the PNY Core, please share your ideas with us.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support.