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## Course Information

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**Course Title:** *Tax Guide to Education Planning #491315*

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### CLU, ChFC/PACE Recertification: 2

#### Course Description:

Advance Preparation: None

Today taxpayers must plan for their children's education. Touching on various topics such as qualified tuition programs (QTPs), scholarships and fellowships, this mini-course examines the tax treatment of costs related to education. Practitioners will learn the ins and outs of the tax benefits concerning education and will be able to identify those educational expenses that are deductible. Additionally, financial planning strategies and techniques are outlined to better prepare taxpayers for future educational costs.

**Program Delivery Method:** Self-Study (NASBA QAS Self-Study/interactive)

**Subject Codes/Field of Study:**

NASBA (CPA), CFP Board of Standards, Inc.: Taxes.

IRS (EA, OTRP): Federal Tax Law.

NAPFA: Taxes

**Course Level, Prerequisites, and Advance Preparation Requirements**

Program Level: CFP Board: Intermediate; NASBA/CPA, IRS: Overview.

This program is appropriate for professionals at all organizational levels.

Prerequisites: Basic familiarity with federal taxation

Advance Preparation: None

**Course Content**

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Final exam (online): Twenty questions (multiple-choice).

**Instructions for taking this course**

In order to receive CPE credit for this course, you must complete the course within one year of the date of purchase. This includes achieving a passing grade of at least 70% on the final exam. The exam may be retaken at no charge if not passed in the first attempt.

Complete the course by following the learning assignments and objectives listed at the beginning of the text and studying the review questions located after each major section. Once you have completed each learning assignment and you are confident that the learning objectives have been met, answer the final exam questions (online).

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## **Learning Assignment & Objectives**

As a result of studying the assigned materials, you should be able to meet the objectives listed below.

### **ASSIGNMENT**

At the start of the materials, participants should identify the following topics for study:

- \* Work-related educational expenses
- \* Educational expense credits
- \* Education savings accounts
- \* Deduction for student loan interest
- \* Qualified tuition programs
- \* Higher education expense deduction
- \* IRA withdrawals for education expenses
- \* Scholarships & fellowships
- \* Educational savings bonds
- \* Educational incentives & financial aid

### **Learning Objectives**

After reading the materials, participants will be able to:

1. Identify deductible education expenses and travel costs under the requirements of §162.
2. Determine the qualified credit amounts under the HOPE (“American Opportunity”) Credit and the requirements of Coverdell education savings accounts.
3. Identify the deductible amount to be claim for §221 student loan interest and recognize the permissible benefits of §529 qualified tuition programs.
4. Specify the tax-free benefits of §117 scholarships and fellowships and who is eligible for a §132 qualified tuition reduction.
5. Identify educational incentives and financial aid requirements to meet college funding needs.

After studying the materials, answer the exam questions 1 to 20.

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