



Preconference Workshops | Tuesday, May 2, 2006 <http://www.greentrends.org/2006/events.htm>

Energy Analysis for Obtaining Tax Credits & Energy-Efficient Mortgages | \$139

As part of the 2005 Energy Bill passed by Congress, new tax credits for builders, design professionals, businesses and homeowners were passed, including credits for:

- Residential [solar photovoltaic and hot water heating systems](#).
- Highly efficient [commercial buildings](#) & [new homes](#).
- Improvements to [existing homes](#) including high-efficiency [HVAC equipment](#).
- [Residential fuel cell systems](#).
- [Fuel cell and microturbines used in a business](#).

The student will learn who is eligible to receive credits and how to determine the level of credit available. This course will demonstrate *EnergyGauge*® software tools that can help students calculate many tax credits. Sample (time-limited) software will be provided to students who bring laptop computers to the course.

Low Impact Development (LID) Practices for Florida: Stormwater | \$25 (or) \$50 for CEUs *Approved for CEUs = 8 PE, 6.3 AICP & CPD*

This workshop includes an overview of Florida's fast growing urbanization, its impact on water quality and quantity, and the laws regulating water quality and quantity. Stormwater considerations in residential developments are addressed. Topics include: stormwater volume, time, pollutants and sediments. Best low impact development practices in terms of landscape designs (i.e. preservation of existing vegetation, riparian buffers, etc.) and methods (i.e. water catchment devices, bioretention areas, etc.) are covered in detail. Permeable pavers will be discussed. The benefits of integrating wetlands and stormwater basins and improving stormwater ponds for wildlife and aesthetics are explained, and, a final review of permitting standards - what's in place today in Florida and tomorrow's outlook.

Green\$mart® Pro 101 - Green Professional Design Course | \$250 *Approved for CEUs = 7 FREC*

This full day course is designed to teach you how to maximize the power of green marketing and sales, effectively convey the VALUE of Green and empower your team to build the green close. You will discover the hidden green profit centers, learn how you can qualify more buyers with green mortgages, and master green sale strategies in order to sell more homes.

Trends in "Green" Affordable Housing | Free

The next great chapter in Florida's affordable housing story is being written right now by pioneering nonprofit housing developers and local government officials. Join your colleagues from the nonprofit and public sectors to learn how you can be part of these exciting and important developments and create a new TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE - housing that is affordable, financially feasible and environmentally sustainable. This FREE workshop will showcase the successful efforts of nonprofit housing organizations in designing and financing "green" affordable housing projects.