

ACL Certified Training



AX 173 Introduction to AuditExchange and Analytics for Experienced ACL Users

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Focus and Features

Designed specifically for experienced *ACL*[™] users, this three-day hands-on course introduces the audit or business assurance team to the complete AuditExchange (AX) solution. Using examples that follow the traditional assurance cycle from initial planning through reporting and follow-up, your team will learn how to interact with AX to increase team efficiency and effectiveness using the AX platform. Hands-on examples used in the class will illustrate how ACL software can provide immediate value to your audits and other business reviews

In addition to introducing the fundamentals of using AX, this course also teaches basic *ACL* scripting to be used for developing analytics optimized for use in the AX environment. You will learn how to import data and results tables into AX for ad-hoc server analysis or continuous auditing and monitoring use, and how to transfer the results of tests performed offline into AX for team collaboration and further server-side analysis. Instructors will share best practices for designing, testing, and managing Analytic logic, both for analytics intended to be run interactively by a wide range of AuditExchange users, and those designed to be scheduled for automatic server processing. Through hands-on exercises, you will have the chance to design a set of useful analytics that can be applied immediately to your environment.

If your organization has licensed the AX Gateway web interface, you will gain basic skills for accessing and managing audit content, running analytics, and sharing your findings with your team in AX Gateway. You will learn to use add-ins for Microsoft Office to leverage existing productivity tools to directly open, edit, save and link content within the AuditExchange repository.

Delivered onsite by an ACL certified trainer, this course provides the opportunity for you to determine how technology-enabled auditing will work best in your environment. The instructor will guide you through the new skills necessary for experienced *ACL* users to quickly become productive with the AX platform and extend the value of analytics across your team. You will learn how to build automated tests into individual audit program steps, prepare engagements for team use, save results for further analysis and review, develop interactive and scheduled analytics, and document and manage findings and supporting content.

Prerequisites

Each participant must have completed ACL 105 or have at least 6 months experience using ACL Desktop / Network.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, you will be able to:

- Integrate AuditExchange capabilities to your team's audit or assurance processes
- Set up engagements and engagement templates, and assign appropriate access rights for your team
- Import tables into AuditExchange for secure storage, ad-hoc server-based analysis, or continuous auditing and monitoring
- Understand the capabilities and differences between AX Core Client and ACL Desktop
- Share findings and results with other team members by importing Tables, *ACL* Command Logs and supporting audit evidence of any type into AuditExchange
- Explain the advantages of server-based analytics over traditional *ACL* Desktop/Network scripts
- Create, edit and document basic *ACL* Desktop / Network scripts and server analytics
- Understand the role of variables, variable substitution and analytic parameters for creating analytics that can be run and customized by non-specialist users
- Convert existing *ACL* scripts into AX analytics
- Design analytics that can be run against different tables based on user input
- Initiate, schedule and troubleshoot analytics running on the server
- Describe best practices for planning, designing, building, testing and maintaining analytics
- Run and schedule pre-configured analytics for continuous auditing and monitoring

AX GatewayOptional:

- Use Gateway to access AX Core repository items
- Work with repository items in MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Project and Visio
- Open ACL Tables in MS Excel
- Run pre-configured analytics with Gateway and follow-up on results



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Who Should Participate

Experienced *ACL* Desktop / Network users who will be working with AX or managing teams that work with AX.

Program Level

Introductory / Intermediate

To Take This Course

This course is offered on-site at your organization. For more information and to schedule your session, please contact your ACL representative.

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