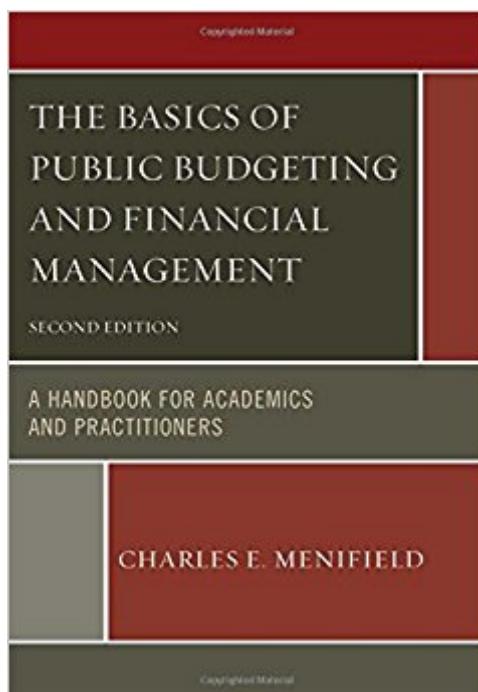


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# The Basics Of Public Budgeting And Financial Management: A Handbook For Academics And Practitioners



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and written communication skills. The book also provides partially filled Excel spreadsheets which are instrumental in providing students an opportunity to acquire experience in revenue estimation and budget preparation. Last, the book is accompanied with power point presentations and an instructor's manual which further makes the course easier to teach. (LaShonda M. Stewart, assistant professor, Southern Illinois University Carbondale)

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It is a good and easy read, especially for a textbook. I was able to highlight and search when needed. The authors used great examples that related to real life situations.

Easy to understand

Well written and easy to understand for a beginner in budgets.

This was one of the textbooks used for a Governmental Budgeting and Finance course I completed as a Public Administration student. This is a great book that well explains the aspects of the budgeting process for city, county, and state governments. Menifield also well explains the step by step process of developing a budget. This book is a keeper for the Public Administration library.

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