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## **BEHIND-THE-SCENES PEEK AT CITY GOVERNMENT OFFERED IN GLENDALE UNIVERSITY CLASSES**

**Glendale, Ariz.** – Glendale University, a 10-session program that offers a behind-the-scenes look at how city government works, is accepting applications through March 8 to attend its ‘101’ classes that begins Monday, March 18.

Glendale residents and those who own businesses in the city can sign up for Glendale University 101 (GU) to learn more about city government directly from the Mayor, Councilmembers and top city staff. In the 17 years since the program was started, more than 800 people have attended.

The program’s continued popularity is credited to the one-on-one interactions among attendees and the core curriculum that focuses on everything from the City Court to Water Services.

“Glendale University is a unique opportunity to meet the city’s decision makers and talk about everyone’s role in our local democracy,” said organizer Angie Wilkie of Glendale’s Neighborhood & Human Services Department.

GU 101 classes are held 6 to 9 p.m. every Monday, March 18 through May 20. The series kicks off with a night of getting to know Glendale’s Mayor and Councilmembers. Subsequent sessions cover the inner workings of a variety of city services including: public safety, city court, public works, community services, finance and budget and much more.

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The classes, which are free, are limited in size to encourage interaction between attendees and the elected officials and city staff who teach each unit.

To participate in Glendale University, you must be 16 or older, a resident of Glendale or own a business in Glendale. Attendees who complete eight of the 10 classes in the series will be honored with a graduation ceremony on May 20.

The deadline for registering for Glendale University 101 is Friday, March 8. Register on-line at [www.glendaleaz.com](http://www.glendaleaz.com) or call Laura DiGioia in the Neighborhood and Human Services Department at 623-930-3611 for an application by mail.

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