

2026 Event Calendar

Training and workshops

Utility Resilience Workshop: Safeguarding against physical and digital threats

January 20, 2026
MMUA Office

Governance in Action: The view from a commissioner's chair

January 23, 2026
Holiday Inn, St. Cloud

Meter School and Pre-conference Workshop

February 3–6, 2026
MMUA Training Center

Emergency Preparedness and Restoration Conference

February 17–18, 2026
Holiday Inn, St. Cloud

Substation School

March 10–12, 2026
New Ulm

Electrical Skill Training for Water/Wastewater Operators

March 18–19, 2026
MMUA Training Center

Generation School

April 7–9, 2026
Fairmont

Underground School

May 5–8, 2026
MMUA Training Center

Locating Workshop

May 19–20, 2026
MMUA Training Center

Minnesota Public Power Walleye Tournament

May 30, 2026
Rush Lake, Otter Tail

Tree Trimming Workshop

August 4–6, 2026
Elk River

Minnesota Lineworker's Rodeo

September 8, 2026
MMUA Training Center

Overhead School

September 8–11, 2026
MMUA Training Center

Gas School

October 6–8, 2026
MMUA Training Center

Transformer School and Pre-conference Workshop

December 14–17, 2026
MMUA Training Center

Conferences

Legislative Conference

March 24–25, 2026
Drury Plaza Hotel, St. Paul

Summer Conference

August 17–19, 2026
River's Edge, St. Cloud

Technical & Operations Conference

December 8–10, 2026
Holiday Inn, St. Cloud

National events to note:

APPA Legislative Rally

February 23–25, 2026
Mayflower Hotel,
Washington, D.C.

Public Power Lineworkers Rodeo

March 28, 2026
Huntsville, AL

APPA Engineering & Operations Conference

March 30–April 1, 2026
Huntsville, AL

APPA National Conference

June 26–July 1, 2026
Boston, MA



Developing Utility Expertise and Leadership™ (DUEL)

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DUEL foundations Cohort #1

Thriving together: leadership for dynamic teams and evolving challenges
January 21–22, 2026
MMUA Office

DUEL foundations Cohort #2

Building bridges: connecting plans, projects and people
February 11–12, 2026
MMUA Office

Thriving together: leadership for dynamic teams and evolving challenges
June 24–25, 2026
MMUA Office

DUEL foundations Cohort #3

Leadership Lens: your utility, your style, your path forward
April 22–23, 2026
MMUA Office

Building bridges: connecting plans, projects and people
September 30–October 1, 2026
MMUA Office

Thriving together: leadership for dynamic teams and evolving challenges
January 20–21, 2027
MMUA Office

Visit www.mmua.org/events/leadership to view event details and register.

Virtual electives

In addition to the foundational courses offered by DUEL, there is variety of virtual elective educational courses. Program participants select eight courses that align with their individual needs and interests. Additional classes can be chosen and registered for separately. It is not necessary to be enrolled in the DUEL program to attend an elective class; everyone is welcome to register.

HR basics and employment law
January 14, 2026

Mastering grant writing for utilities
February 19, 2026

Building a strategic utility budget
March 26, 2026

Telling the municipal utilities story
April 16, 2026

Strategic risk management in the utility sector
May 13, 2026

Succession planning and cross training
May 21, 2026

Critical thinking for effective decision making
May 21, 2026

Bonding and financial tools for municipal utilities
July 16, 2026

Collaborative leadership: working with councils and commissions
September 2, 2026

Navigating the interview process
September 17, 2026

Regulatory knowledge and compliance in municipal utilities
October 14, 2026

Strategic risk management in the utility sector
October 28, 2026

Crisis communications and media relations
November 19, 2026