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you itemize your taxes (Schedule A), you can take a deduction for the costs associated with attending a "Your Moment to Shine!" workshop. Simply review the following information that comes courtesy of Ms. Amanda Hamm, an e-how contributor. This workshop

qualifies as a tax-deductible expense because it will help you improve your outlook, which will translate into developing a more positive mindset on your job, at home, and in life in general. \heartsuit

Job-related Education

If you choose to itemize deductions, you can deduct job-related education expenses on Schedule A. You can only deduct these expenses if they are required by your employer to keep your present job or for education that improves your skills in your current job -- for example, to keep up with changing technology. Expenses you may deduct include tuition and fees as well as books and course supplies. You may also deduct travel expenses, such as mileage on your car. You may not deduct these expenses if they are reimbursed to you.

Limits

 Most of the deductions you are entitled to claim from education expenses are limited by your income level. The limits are subject to change from year to year, so be sure you read the forms for the proper year. IRS publication 970 provides details on education deductions and credits and is an excellent source for additional information.