

Geospatial Data Science with Python/R Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Research and Data Analysis	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

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

1. Understand the fundamentals of geospatial data science and GIS principles.
2. Use Python and R libraries for spatial data manipulation and visualization.
3. Conduct spatial data wrangling and feature engineering.
4. Perform spatial joins, buffering, and clipping techniques.
5. Analyze raster and vector data for remote sensing applications.
6. Build interactive geospatial dashboards and maps.
7. Apply machine learning algorithms to spatial data.
8. Model spatial dependencies using spatial econometrics.
9. Integrate big geospatial data with open-source cloud services.
10. Leverage web-based GIS platforms for publishing maps.
11. Develop workflows for automated spatial data pipelines.
12. Conduct spatial-temporal analysis for urban development.
13. Evaluate case studies in environmental science, epidemiology, and urban analytics.

Target Audience

This course is ideal for:

1. GIS analysts and geospatial professionals
2. Data scientists transitioning into spatial data science
3. Urban planners and smart city developers
4. Environmental researchers and ecologists
5. Public health analysts using spatial epidemiology
6. Remote sensing specialists and earth observation experts
7. Academic researchers and graduate students
8. Government agencies and policy makers using location data

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Geospatial Data Science

- Fundamentals of GIS and spatial thinking
- Types of spatial data: raster vs vector
- Coordinate systems and projections
- Overview of Python and R in geospatial workflows
- Spatial data sources and repositories
- **Case Study: Mapping COVID-19 Spread by Region**

Module 2: Spatial Data Handling with Python

- Working with GeoPandas and Fiona

- Data cleaning and geocoding
- Merging shapefiles with tabular data
- Spatial joins and queries
- Visualization with Matplotlib and Folium
- **Case Study: Urban Green Spaces Analysis Using Python**

Module 3: Geospatial Analysis with R

- Introduction to sf and raster packages
- Spatial data frames and manipulations
- Visualizing maps with ggplot2 and leaflet
- Geostatistical methods in R
- Raster calculations and zonal statistics
- **Case Study: Deforestation Trends in the Amazon Using R**

Module 4: Raster Data Processing and Remote Sensing

- Satellite imagery fundamentals
- Using Rasterio and GDAL for preprocessing
- NDVI and land cover classification
- Multi-band raster analysis
- Remote sensing applications in agriculture and forestry
- **Case Study: Crop Health Assessment from Sentinel-2 Data**

Module 5: Spatial Statistics and Modeling

- Introduction to spatial autocorrelation (Moran's I)
- Hotspot and cluster analysis
- Spatial regression models
- Spatial interpolation techniques
- Integrating spatial stats in R/Python
- **Case Study: Air Quality Prediction Across Urban Areas**

Module 6: Spatial Machine Learning

- Machine learning workflow for spatial data
- Random Forest and SVM for land cover classification
- Feature selection and validation
- Spatial cross-validation
- Supervised vs unsupervised learning in GIS
- **Case Study: Urban Expansion Prediction Using ML**

Module 7: Building Interactive Maps and Dashboards

- Introduction to web mapping frameworks
- Creating dashboards with Dash, Shiny, and Leaflet
- Plotly and Bokeh for spatial visualization
- Embedding maps in web applications
- Deploying dashboards on the web
- **Case Study: Disaster Impact Visualization Dashboard**

Module 8: Advanced Topics and Cloud-based Geospatial Processing

- Google Earth Engine (GEE) for massive-scale processing
- Spatial data on the cloud with AWS and GEE
- Batch processing and automation with Python/R

- API integration and real-time mapping
- Trends in big spatial data analytics
- **Case Study: Flood Risk Mapping Using Google Earth Engine**

Training Methodology

- Hands-on coding in Python and R using Jupyter and RStudio
- Live demonstrations and guided tutorials
- Real-world datasets and scenarios
- Interactive quizzes and challenges
- Capstone project with mentorship
- Post-training support and access to code repositories

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

- The participant must be conversant with English.
- Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
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