

Human Dimensions of Wildlife Training course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Wildlife Management	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Participants will gain a deeper understanding of economic tools such as Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES), green taxation, subsidies reform, and carbon credit trading, while also learning about practical applications through global case studies. This course integrates trending concepts like climate finance, natural capital accounting, and sustainable livelihoods to equip participants with relevant knowledge and strategies for implementing economic incentives in conservation projects.

Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the social, cultural, and economic factors affecting human-wildlife interactions.
2. Analyze public perceptions and attitudes toward wildlife management.
3. Develop effective stakeholder engagement strategies.
4. Apply conflict resolution techniques in wildlife management scenarios.
5. Integrate human dimensions into wildlife policy and planning.
6. Conduct research on community-based wildlife conservation programs.
7. Evaluate human behavior impacts on wildlife populations.
8. Enhance communication strategies for public awareness campaigns.
9. Design sustainable wildlife management initiatives.
10. Assess the effectiveness of educational outreach programs.
11. Promote ethical practices in human-wildlife interactions.
12. Utilize case studies to apply theoretical concepts in real-world settings.
13. Foster interdisciplinary collaboration among wildlife professionals.

Organizational Benefits

- Improved human-wildlife conflict management strategies.
- Enhanced public engagement and community participation.
- Better informed policy development and decision-making.
- Increased sustainability of wildlife conservation initiatives.
- Strengthened organizational reputation and credibility.
- Higher employee competency in human dimensions integration.
- Greater efficiency in stakeholder collaboration and partnerships.
- Access to practical tools and case studies for on-ground implementation.
- Reduced negative human-wildlife interactions and incidents.
- Promotion of ethical and socially responsible wildlife management practices.

Target Audiences

- Wildlife managers and conservationists
- Environmental policy makers
- Ecologists and biologists
- Non-governmental organization (NGO) staff
- Community engagement officers

- Environmental educators and trainers
- Research scholars and students in wildlife studies
- Government officials involved in wildlife and natural resource management

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Human Dimensions of Wildlife

- Overview of human dimensions in wildlife management
- Historical context and evolution of human-wildlife interactions
- Key theories and models in human dimensions
- Role of social, cultural, and economic factors
- Ethical considerations in wildlife management
- Case study: Successful integration of human dimensions in community-based conservation

Module 2: Public Perceptions and Attitudes

- Methods for assessing public attitudes
- Factors influencing perceptions of wildlife
- Role of media and social networks
- Understanding conflicts arising from differing perceptions
- Techniques for changing negative attitudes
- Case study: Public perception survey for large carnivore conservation

Module 3: Stakeholder Engagement and Collaboration

- Identifying stakeholders in wildlife management
- Communication strategies for engagement
- Negotiation and conflict resolution approaches
- Building trust and collaborative networks
- Participatory decision-making in conservation
- Case study: Multi-stakeholder collaboration in wetland preservation

Module 4: Conflict Resolution Strategies

- Types and sources of human-wildlife conflicts
- Risk assessment and mitigation strategies
- Mediation and facilitation techniques
- Integrating conflict resolution into management plans
- Evaluating conflict resolution outcomes
- Case study: Resolving crop-raiding elephant conflicts

Module 5: Community-Based Wildlife Management

- Principles of community-based conservation
- Designing and implementing programs
- Monitoring and evaluation techniques
- Empowering local communities
- Leveraging traditional ecological knowledge
- Case study: Community-led wildlife monitoring program

Module 6: Policy Integration and Planning

- Policy frameworks for wildlife management
- Legal and regulatory considerations
- Incorporating human dimensions into planning
- Evaluating policy effectiveness
- Tools for adaptive management
- Case study: Integrating social data into national wildlife policy

Module 7: Research Methods in Human Dimensions

- Qualitative and quantitative research techniques
- Surveys, interviews, and participatory approaches
- Data analysis and interpretation
- Reporting and dissemination strategies
- Ethical considerations in human research
- Case study: Human dimensions research influencing protected area management

Module 8: Education, Outreach, and Communication

- Developing wildlife education programs
- Communication strategies for diverse audiences
- Using social media and technology for outreach
- Measuring program impact and effectiveness
- Promoting behavioral change in communities
- Case study: Public awareness campaign for urban wildlife conservation

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and expert presentations
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions
- Hands-on field exercises and simulations
- Case study analysis and problem-solving exercises
- Role-playing stakeholder engagement scenarios
- Field visits to wildlife reserves and community programs

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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

- a. The participant must be conversant with English.
- b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

- c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- f. 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
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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