

Journalism Research in the AI Age 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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Course Objectives

1. Master AI-driven investigative journalism techniques.
2. Develop proficiency in automated data collection and analysis.
3. Utilize AI-powered fact-checking tools to combat misinformation.
4. Harness predictive analytics for trend identification and reporting.
5. Apply natural language processing (NLP) to analyze large datasets.
6. Enhance multimedia storytelling using AI tools for video, audio, and visual content.
7. Strengthen digital literacy and information verification skills.
8. Explore ethical frameworks for AI use in journalism.
9. Leverage AI-driven sentiment analysis for audience insights.
10. Integrate machine learning algorithms for investigative reporting.
11. Optimize newsroom workflow using AI automation tools.
12. Understand AI bias, transparency, and its implications in journalism.
13. Create data-backed, compelling, and audience-centric stories.

Target Audience

1. Investigative journalists and reporters.
2. Digital media professionals.
3. Data journalists and analysts.
4. Editors and content strategists.
5. Media researchers and academics.
6. Social media journalists.
7. Newsroom technology managers.
8. Journalism students aspiring to integrate AI into their careers.

Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to AI in Journalism

- Overview of AI applications in media
- History and evolution of AI-assisted journalism
- Key AI technologies
- Understanding AI ethics and bias
- Case Study: AI-assisted reporting in global newsrooms

Module 2: AI-Driven Research and Data Analysis

- Collecting structured and unstructured data
- Data mining and predictive analytics
- Using AI to identify news trends
- Evaluating sources and data reliability
- Case Study: Investigative reporting using big data

Module 3: Fact-Checking and Verification with AI

- AI tools for real-time fact verification
- Combatting misinformation and fake news
- Automating source verification
- NLP for detecting inconsistencies in text
- Case Study: AI in election coverage verification

Module 4: Automated Journalism and Reporting

- AI-generated news writing
- Summarizing reports using NLP
- Personalization of news content
- Automated data visualization
- Case Study: Financial reporting with AI automation

Module 5: Sentiment Analysis and Audience Insights

- Social media trend analysis
- Detecting public sentiment using AI
- Predicting viral topics and engagement
- Enhancing reader interaction and targeting
- Case Study: Political campaign coverage using sentiment analysis

Module 6: Multimedia Storytelling with AI

- AI tools for video, audio, and graphics
- Automating content creation for digital platforms
- Interactive visual storytelling techniques
- Enhancing user experience through AI
- Case Study: AI-driven multimedia documentary production

Module 7: Ethical AI and Bias Management

- Understanding algorithmic bias in journalism
- Ethical reporting with AI assistance
- Ensuring transparency and accountability
- Regulatory and legal considerations
- Case Study: Addressing AI bias in news coverage

Module 8: Practical Applications and Case Studies

- Hands-on exercises using AI journalism tools
- Creating a data-backed investigative report

- Peer review and AI-assisted editing
- Developing a newsroom AI integration plan
- Case Study: Successful AI adoption in top global newsrooms

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
- Analysis of case studies to bridge theory and practice.
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking.
- Expert-led Q&A sessions.
- Continuous feedback and personalized guidance.

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

- 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
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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