

Professional Standards for M&E Practitioners Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Monitoring and Evaluation	Duration	10 Days
Base Fee	\$3,000 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

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

1. Understand and apply global professional M&E standards.
2. Integrate ethical frameworks into evaluation practices.
3. Develop high-quality monitoring and evaluation plans.
4. Ensure data integrity and reliability in evaluations.
5. Apply evidence-based decision-making techniques.
6. Conduct stakeholder-focused evaluations.
7. Implement quality assurance frameworks in M&E systems.
8. Enhance reporting and communication of evaluation findings.
9. Utilize impact-oriented performance measurement tools.
10. Align M&E activities with organizational strategic goals.
11. Apply risk assessment and mitigation in evaluation projects.
12. Strengthen professional credibility and accountability.
13. Integrate innovative and digital solutions for efficient M&E.

Target Audience

1. Junior and senior M&E practitioners
2. Project managers and program coordinators
3. Development professionals and analysts
4. Policy advisors and consultants
5. Nonprofit and NGO evaluation staff
6. Government monitoring officers
7. Academic researchers in evaluation studies
8. Data analysts and performance improvement officers

Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Professional M&E Standards

- Overview of global M&E standards
- Importance of professional ethics in M&E
- International evaluation frameworks
- Role of M&E in program accountability

- Case Study: Evaluating UNDP projects

Module 2: Ethical Principles and Integrity in M&E

- Codes of conduct for evaluators
- Data privacy and confidentiality
- Avoiding conflicts of interest
- Ensuring transparency and accountability
- Case Study: Ethical dilemmas in health program evaluations

Module 3: Designing Quality M&E Systems

- Developing M&E plans and frameworks
- Selecting appropriate indicators
- Integrating M&E into project cycles
- Performance measurement strategies
- Case Study: Designing M&E for a national education program

Module 4: Data Collection Methods and Best Practices

- Quantitative and qualitative methods
- Sampling and survey design
- Ensuring data accuracy and reliability
- Using digital tools for data collection
- Case Study: Digital surveys in rural development

Module 5: Data Management and Analysis

- Cleaning, organizing, and storing data
- Statistical and qualitative analysis techniques
- Using dashboards and visualization tools
- Ensuring reproducibility of results
- Case Study: M&E data analysis for donor-funded projects

Module 6: Quality Assurance in Evaluation

- Standards for evaluation quality
- Audit and review processes
- Peer review and validation methods
- Corrective action plans
- Case Study: Quality assurance in NGO program audits

Module 7: Stakeholder Engagement and Communication

- Identifying key stakeholders
- Communicating findings effectively
- Building stakeholder trust
- Participatory evaluation approaches
- Case Study: Community engagement in water projects

Module 8: Performance Measurement and Results-Based M&E

- Key performance indicators (KPIs)

- Outcome vs. output measurement
- Performance dashboards and scorecards
- Linking M&E to strategic objectives
- Case Study: Results-based management in health initiatives

Module 9: Risk Assessment and Mitigation in M&E

- Identifying M&E-related risks
- Mitigation strategies
- Contingency planning
- Ethical and operational risk management
- Case Study: Risk assessment in humanitarian programs

Module 10: Reporting and Documentation Standards

- Structuring M&E reports
- Evidence-based reporting
- Visualizing data effectively
- Dissemination strategies
- Case Study: Reporting for donor compliance

Module 11: Advanced Tools and Digital Solutions for M&E

- Power BI, Tableau, and other visualization tools
- Mobile data collection apps
- Cloud-based M&E platforms
- Automation of M&E processes
- Case Study: Digital M&E transformation in NGO programs

Module 12: Evaluation of Programs and Projects

- Formative and summative evaluations
- Impact assessment techniques
- Process evaluation methods
- Case Study: Evaluating a community health program

Module 13: Building Professional Credibility in M&E

- Certification and professional development
- Networking and knowledge sharing
- Mentoring and coaching in M&E
- Continuous learning approaches
- Case Study: Professional growth in UN evaluation teams

Module 14: Innovative Practices in M&E

- Big data analytics in evaluation
- AI-driven evaluation methods
- Participatory and adaptive evaluation approaches
- Emerging trends and technologies
- Case Study: AI in public sector performance evaluation

Module 15: Integrating M&E into Organizational Strategy

- Aligning M&E with strategic planning
- Linking M&E outputs to decision-making
- Evaluating organizational performance
- Sustainability and long-term impact assessment
- Case Study: Strategic M&E integration in a multinational NGO

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.

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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 commencement 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	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$3,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
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