

Strategic Portfolio Hedging and Risk Reduction Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Risk Management	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

Upon completion, participants will be able to:

1. Quantify and Model Tail Risk and Systemic Risk using advanced statistical tools.
2. Design and implement Cost-Effective Hedging Strategies using Derivatives
3. Apply Dynamic Hedging techniques to maintain a desired Delta or Beta exposure.
4. Master the valuation and application of Option Greeks in risk management.
5. Develop an integrated Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) framework for portfolio oversight.
6. Perform rigorous Stress Testing and Scenario Analysis to assess portfolio resilience against Black Swan events.
7. Optimize the Hedge Ratio and manage Basis Risk across different asset classes.
8. Implement Cross-Asset Hedging to mitigate risks from interconnected global markets.
9. Utilize Volatility Products for sophisticated market-wide protection.
10. Integrate ESG Risk factors into the overall portfolio risk assessment and mitigation plan.
11. Construct a Capital Preservation oriented portfolio using Protective Put and Collar Strategies.
12. Navigate Liquidity Risk and Counterparty Risk in the Over-The-Counter (OTC) derivatives market.
13. Formulate a cohesive Risk Budgeting policy aligned with the firm's Risk Appetite and regulatory requirements

Target Audience

1. Portfolio Managers
2. Chief Risk Officers (CROs) and Risk Managers
3. Financial Analysts and Quantitative Analysts (Quants)
4. Institutional Investors (Pension Funds, Endowments, Sovereign Wealth Funds)
5. Treasury Professionals and Corporate Finance Executives
6. Hedge Fund Professionals and Asset Allocators
7. Investment Committee Members and Financial Consultants
8. Regulators and Compliance Officers

Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Portfolio Risk & Hedging Concepts

- Modern Portfolio Theory and its limitations in extreme market conditions.
- Distinguishing between Idiosyncratic Risk and Systemic Risk
- Volatility, Value-at-Risk (VaR), and Expected Shortfall
- The trade-off between Hedging Cost and Risk Reduction.
- Case Study: The 2008 Global Financial Crisis.

Module 2: Derivative Instruments for Hedging

- In-depth mechanics of Forwards, Futures, and Swaps in risk transfer.
- Advanced use of Options as a non-linear risk management tool.
- Understanding and applying the Greeks for precision hedging.
- Structuring and pricing common strategies.
- Case Study: Long-Term Capital Management (LTCM).

Module 3: Strategic Equity and Index Hedging

- Calculating and managing Portfolio Beta and its relationship to market exposure.
- Implementing Index Futures and ETF Puts for cost-effective market-wide protection.
- Designing an Overconcentration Hedge for large single-stock positions.
- Introduction to Hedge Ratios and their dynamic adjustment.
- Case Study: The 1987 Black Monday.

Module 4: Fixed Income and Interest Rate Risk Mitigation

- Measuring Interest Rate Risk using Duration and Convexity.
- Using Interest Rate Futures and Swaps for immunization and hedging debt portfolios.
- Managing Credit Risk and Default Risk with Credit Default Swaps.
- Hedging against adverse Yield Curve shifts.
- Case Study: Procter & Gamble and Bankers Trust.

Module 5: Currency and Commodity Hedging

- Identifying and measuring Foreign Exchange (FX) Risk
- Applying FX Forwards and Currency Options for cash flow and balance sheet protection.
- Hedging exposure to volatile Commodity Prices using Futures Contracts.
- Cross-Currency Basis Swaps and their role in global funding risk.
- Case Study: Airline Fuel Hedging during the Gulf War/2008 Oil Spike.

Module 6: Advanced Risk Modeling and Stress Testing

- Implementing Extreme Value Theory (EVT) for estimating Tail Risk.
- Developing and applying Monte Carlo Simulation for portfolio scenario generation.
- Conducting Historical and Hypothetical Stress Tests.
- Calibrating and back-testing Risk Models for accuracy.
- Case Study: The European Sovereign Debt Crisis.

Module 7: Dynamic Hedging and Volatility Strategies

- Principles of Delta Hedging and its practical implementation challenges
- Volatility Arbitrage and the use of VIX Derivatives for tactical hedging.

- Implementing Overlay Strategies to separate alpha generation from risk management.
- The concept and management of Dynamic Basis Risk.
- Case Study: The "Volmageddon" Event (February 2018).

Module 8: Governance, Regulation, and Future Trends

- Establishing a sound Risk Governance framework and Risk Appetite statements.
- Understanding the impact of regulation.
- The role of Fintech and AI/Machine Learning in predictive risk modeling.
- Integrating ESG and Climate Risk into long-term hedging strategies.
- Case Study: The Archegos Collapse.

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.
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- 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

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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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