

The Politics of Blockchain and Cryptocurrency Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Political Science and International Relations	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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1Course Objectives

- Analyze the political and ideological foundations of blockchain and cryptocurrency.
- Evaluate the impact of decentralization on national sovereignty and state authority.
- Identify and interpret key global regulatory frameworks for digital assets.
- Examine the geopolitical implications of digital currencies and cross-border payments.
- Understand the role of blockchain in advancing digital identity and data governance.
- Assess the potential of DeFi to disrupt traditional financial systems.
- Explore the challenges and opportunities of blockchain for financial inclusion.
- Debate the ethical and social dimensions of Web3 and the metaverse.
- Study the political economy of crypto mining and its environmental impact.
- Critique the security and privacy implications of public blockchains.
- Analyze the dynamics of blockchain adoption by corporations and governments.
- Formulate strategies for managing crypto compliance and legal risks.
- Forecast future trends in the blockchain governance landscape.

Organizational Benefits

- Equip your team with a forward-looking perspective on how blockchain and crypto will impact your industry, enabling proactive strategic planning.
- Mitigate legal and regulatory risks by developing a deep understanding of evolving global frameworks for digital assets.
- Foster a culture of innovation by understanding new business models and opportunities presented by decentralized technologies.
- Empower leaders and policymakers to make sound decisions regarding cryptocurrency adoption, investment, and policy engagement.

Target Audience

1. Government Officials & Policymakers.
2. Financial Services Professionals.
3. Legal & Compliance Officers.
4. Corporate Strategists & Executives.
5. International Relations & Diplomacy Experts.
6. Technology & Security Professionals.
7. Journalists & Researchers.
8. Venture Capitalists & Investors.

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Module 1: The Ideological Roots of Blockchain

- Introduction to Decentralization.
- The Cypherpunk Movement.
- State vs. Code.
- Anarcho-Capitalism and Libertarianism.
- **Case Study:** The rise of Bitcoin as a response to the 2008 financial crisis.

Module 2: The Regulatory Arena

- Global Regulatory Landscape.
- Securities vs. Commodities.
- Anti-Money Laundering (AML) & Know Your Customer (KYC).
- Taxation and Reporting.
- **Case Study:** The US SEC's lawsuits against major crypto exchanges and the legal battles over securities classification.

Module 3: Geopolitics of Digital Currencies

- Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDCs).
- Financial Sanctions & Cross-Border Payments.
- Economic War and Digital Currencies.
- The US Dollar's Role in a Crypto World.
- **Case Study:** The digital yuan project in China and its geopolitical implications.

Module 4: Blockchain and Governance

- Decentralized Autonomous Organizations (DAOs).
- Digital Identity & Self-Sovereign Identity.
- Voting and Elections.
- Governance Models.
- **Case Study:** The governance of MakerDAO and its decision-making processes.

Module 5: The Political Economy of Web3 and the Metaverse

- Ownership and Property Rights.
- Data Colonialism.
- The Creator Economy.
- Labor and Work.
- **Case Study:** The political and economic ecosystem of the Sandbox and Decentraland metaverses.

Module 6: Security, Privacy, and Human Rights

- Cryptographic Privacy.
- Surveillance vs. Anonymity.
- Digital Authoritarianism.
- The Right to Exit.
- **Case Study:** The use of crypto by protestors and dissidents in nations with strict capital controls.

Module 7: Environmental Politics of Crypto Mining

- Energy Consumption of Proof-of-Work (PoW).
- Proof-of-Stake (PoS) as an Alternative.
- Renewable Energy and Mining.
- Global Climate Policy.
- **Case Study:** The debate over Bitcoin mining in Texas and its impact on the state's energy grid.

Module 8: The Future of Blockchain and Power

- The Financialization of Everything.
- Regulation of Decentralized Finance.
- The Future of Money.
- Interoperability and the Multichain Future.
- **Case Study:** The political debate in El Salvador over the country's adoption of Bitcoin as legal tender.

Training Methodology

This course utilizes an **interactive, blended learning approach** designed to stimulate critical thinking and active participation.

- **Live Discussions:** Facilitated group discussions to debate controversial topics and share diverse perspectives.
- **Case Studies:** In-depth analysis of real-world events and their political, legal, and economic consequences.
- **Expert Interviews:** Exclusive insights from leading policymakers, technologists, and legal experts in the field.
- **Interactive Workshops:** Hands-on exercises to apply theoretical concepts to practical scenarios, such as analyzing a smart contract or tracing a transaction.
- **Group Presentations:** Participants will present their findings on specific topics, fostering a collaborative learning environment.
- **Q&A Sessions:** Dedicated time for direct interaction with instructors and guest speakers.

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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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