

Training Course on Succession Planning and Leadership Development in Education

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the principles of succession planning in education systems.
2. Develop strategies for leadership pipeline development.
3. Identify and nurture high-potential future leaders in education.
4. Apply transformational leadership models for educational improvement.
5. Analyze the role of talent management in succession planning.
6. Design customized leadership competency frameworks for institutions.
7. Implement strategic workforce planning in educational settings.
8. Address leadership diversity and inclusion in succession planning.
9. Strengthen institutional governance and leadership continuity.
10. Apply evidence-based decision-making for leadership development.
11. Foster a culture of leadership accountability and performance management.
12. Leverage change management strategies for educational leadership transitions.
13. Create actionable succession plans aligned with institutional goals.

Target Audience

1. University Chancellors & Vice Chancellors
2. School Principals & Head Teachers
3. Educational Policy Makers
4. HR Managers in Educational Institutions
5. Board of Governors & Trustees
6. Education Administrators & Planners
7. Training & Development Officers
8. Talent Management Consultants in Education

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Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Succession Planning in Education

- Understanding the need for leadership continuity
- Key elements of effective succession planning
- Aligning succession plans with institutional strategies
- Assessing leadership readiness within institutions
- Common challenges in educational succession planning
- **Case Study:** Harvard University's Leadership Pipeline Strategy

Module 2: Identifying and Developing Leadership Potential

- Talent identification frameworks in education
- Competency-based leadership assessments
- Building leadership capabilities through mentorship
- Creating leadership development pathways
- Tracking leadership growth and progress
- **Case Study:** The Wallace Foundation's Principal Pipeline Initiative

Module 3: Leadership Development Models in Education

- Transformational leadership theory in education
- Distributed leadership approaches
- Coaching and leadership capacity building
- Personal development plans for leaders
- Leadership styles and their impact on educational outcomes
- **Case Study:** Ontario Leadership Strategy in Canada

Module 4: Strategic Talent Management and Succession Alignment

- Strategic workforce planning in education
- Integrating talent management with succession plans
- Role of HR in leadership sustainability
- Leadership diversity and inclusion strategies
- Data analytics for informed talent decisions
- **Case Study:** Talent Management in Finland's Education System

Module 5: Institutional Governance and Leadership Continuity

- Governance structures that support leadership succession
- Ethical leadership and institutional values
- Risk management in leadership transitions
- Policies for leadership continuity
- Building governance and leadership synergy
- **Case Study:** Governance and Succession at University of Oxford

Module 6: Change Management in Educational Leadership

- Fundamentals of change management theories
- Navigating leadership transitions smoothly
- Stakeholder engagement in leadership change
- Building adaptive leadership cultures
- Overcoming resistance to leadership change
- **Case Study:** Kenya's Education Reforms and Leadership Shift

Module 7: Leadership Performance and Accountability

- Performance metrics for educational leaders
- Linking leadership performance to institutional success
- Accountability frameworks in education
- Incentivizing leadership excellence
- Performance reviews and succession impacts
- **Case Study:** Singapore's Leadership Accountability in Education

Module 8: Designing and Implementing Succession Plans

- Steps in crafting a succession plan
- Best practices for succession planning in education
- Monitoring and evaluating succession plans
- Sustaining leadership pipelines long-term
- Technology tools supporting succession plans
- **Case Study:** South Africa's National Education Leadership Strategy

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and expert facilitation

- Group discussions and participatory learning
- Role-playing and leadership simulations
- Real-life case study analysis
- Practical succession planning exercises
- Personal leadership development plans

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

- The participant must be conversant with English.
- Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- 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
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