

User-Centric Design for Financial Inclusion Products Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Microfinance & Financial Inclusion	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand key principles of user-centric design in financial inclusion.
2. Conduct user research using trending customer insight tools.
3. Apply design thinking methodologies for inclusive product development.
4. Map user journeys for underserved customer segments.
5. Develop user personas based on qualitative and quantitative data.
6. Prototype financial products using rapid testing techniques.
7. Integrate digital inclusion and accessibility principles.
8. Apply behavioral insights to improve product adoption.
9. Use data analytics to guide product improvement.
10. Strengthen customer experience (CX) through iterative design.
11. Evaluate product risks and compliance considerations.
12. Implement feedback loops for continuous product refinement.
13. Develop actionable strategies for scaling user-centric solutions.

Organizational Benefits

- Improved customer satisfaction and stronger product adoption
- Reduced product failure rates through evidence-based design
- Enhanced understanding of underserved and vulnerable users
- Stronger competitive advantage in digital financial services
- Reduced operational and compliance risks
- More efficient product development cycles
- Better alignment with financial inclusion priorities
- Increased customer retention and loyalty
- Improved brand reputation and trust
- Data-driven innovation and continuous learning culture

Target Audiences

- Financial inclusion program designers
- Digital finance and mobile money practitioners
- Microfinance institution product teams
- UX/UI and human-centered design professionals
- Fintech innovators and product developers
- Government and regulatory officers

- Development finance practitioners
- Customer experience and insights teams

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Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of User-Centric Design

- Understanding user-centricity in financial inclusion
- Principles of human-centered design and accessibility
- Barriers faced by underserved financial consumers
- Research ethics and responsible product design
- Tools for identifying user needs
- Case Study: User insights transforming microfinance product uptake

Module 2: User Research Tools and Techniques

- Qualitative and quantitative user research methods
- Conducting interviews, surveys, and field studies
- Segmenting underserved users and communities
- Leveraging digital research tools for insights
- Synthesizing findings for product decisions
- Case Study: Research-driven redesign of a mobile savings product

Module 3: Design Thinking for Inclusive Finance

- Design thinking process and mindset
- Problem framing for financial inclusion challenges
- Idea generation and co-creation techniques
- Low-fidelity and high-fidelity prototyping
- Testing prototypes with real users
- Case Study: Design sprint improving agent banking experience

Module 4: User Journey Mapping

- Mapping customer touchpoints in financial ecosystems
- Identifying pain points and service gaps
- Applying behavioral insights to journey analysis
- Designing end-to-end inclusive financial flows
- Integrating digital and physical user experiences
- Case Study: Journey mapping for improving loan application usability

Module 5: Prototyping and Product Testing

- Principles of rapid prototyping
- Creating wireframes and mockups for financial tools
- Low-cost testing approaches for underserved users
- Gathering feedback and iterating
- Ensuring accessibility and usability
- Case Study: Prototype iteration improving digital wallet adoption

Module 6: Inclusive Digital Financial Services

- Designing for digital inclusion and accessibility
- Addressing literacy, gender, and disability barriers
- Building user-friendly mobile interfaces
- Strengthening trust and security through design
- Ensuring high usability across diverse environments
- Case Study: Inclusive mobile money interface boosting rural usage

Module 7: Behavioral Design for Financial Inclusion

- Applying behavioral insights to product development
- Reducing friction and cognitive burdens
- Encouraging positive financial behaviors
- Nudging strategies for savings and repayment
- Enhancing engagement through tailored messaging
- Case Study: Behavioral nudges improving repayment consistency

Module 8: Scaling User-Centric Financial Solutions

- Scaling strategies for inclusive financial products
- Strengthening partnerships with ecosystem players
- Incorporating real-time data and analytics
- Monitoring performance and user outcomes
- Ensuring sustainability and alignment with national goals
- Case Study: Scale-up journey of a community-led savings solution

Training Methodology

- Instructor-led presentations and concept briefings
- Hands-on design thinking exercises and prototyping labs
- Group research activities and co-creation workshops
- Real-world case study discussions and scenario analysis
- Demonstrations of digital design and research tools
- Continuous feedback, peer learning, and reflective sessions

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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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