

Building a Customer Beta Program for New Features Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Customer Service and Customer Experience	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

1. Understand the foundations of a high-impact customer beta program.
2. Apply product-led growth (PLG) strategies to support early feature adoption.
3. Build a beta-ready customer segmentation and persona model.
4. Design a structured beta recruitment funnel using engagement analytics.
5. Implement effective customer onboarding and activation workflows.
6. Utilize usage telemetry and behavioral analytics to measure feature value.
7. Develop scalable feedback collection frameworks
8. Master A/B experimentation and controlled rollout techniques.
9. Manage participant expectations using transparent communication and SLAs.
10. Convert beta feedback into actionable product roadmaps.
11. Apply change management and customer advocacy principles.
12. Build a sustainable continuous beta ecosystem for ongoing innovation.
13. Use AI-powered analysis to prioritize insights and accelerate release decisions.

Target Audience

1. Product Managers
2. UX/UI Designers
3. Customer Success Managers
4. Product Marketing Managers
5. Engineering & QA Leads
6. Innovation & R&D Teams
7. Startup Founders / Entrepreneurs
8. Data Analysts & Growth Teams

Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Customer Beta Programs

- Purpose and value of beta testing
- Closed vs. open beta models
- Beta lifecycle stages
- Key operational risks
- Success metrics
- **Case Study:** How Slack's early beta cohort shaped its collaboration ecosystem.

Module 2: Customer Selection & Segmentation Strategy

- Creating beta personas

- Identifying early-adopter profiles
- Building customer selection criteria
- Recruitment messaging and outreach
- Incentive models that increase participation
- **Case Study:** Airbnb's segmented beta rollout for host-side features.

Module 3: Designing the Beta Experience

- Crafting beta onboarding journeys
- Activation playbooks and communication scripts
- Creating learning paths and tutorials
- Setting expectations and scope
- Documentation and knowledge base setup
- **Case Study:** Notion's guided onboarding for power-user betas.

Module 4: Data Collection & Feedback Frameworks

- Role of qualitative and quantitative data
- Survey design and micro-feedback prompts
- Product analytics tools
- Beta participant interviews
- Feedback triage systems
- **Case Study:** Figma's utilization of analytics to refine multi-player editing features.

Module 5: Experimentation & Controlled Rollouts

- Designing A/B and multivariate tests
- Cohort-based feature toggles
- Safety checks and rollback mechanisms
- Usage thresholds and KPI tracking
- Statistical significance basic
- **Case Study:** Facebook's controlled rollout process for new newsfeed features.

Module 6: Communication & Engagement Management

- Building trust through transparent communication
- Progress updates and community forums
- Handling negative feedback
- Gamification for participation longevity
- Beta ambassador programs
- **Case Study:** HubSpot's super-user community driving early adoption insights.

Module 7: Translating Insights into Product Roadmaps

- Prioritization frameworks
- Aligning teams around insights
- Engineering feasibility scoring
- Executive reporting templates
- Release readiness documentation
- **Case Study:** Asana's insight-driven roadmap refinement for workflow automation.

Module 8: Scaling a Continuous Beta Ecosystem

- Building long-term beta communities
- Automating feedback cycles
- Integrating AI for insight clustering
- Beta governance & compliance considerations
- Measuring long-term ROI
- **Case Study:** Google's continuous beta program supporting iterative Gmail enhancements.

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.

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

- 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
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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