Continuous Auditing and Data Analytics for Auditors 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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Course Objectives

1. Articulate the strategic imperative for adopting CA and DA to drive audit innovation and digital transformation within the audit function.
2. Design and implement a structured Continuous Auditing framework and strategy, including roles, responsibilities, and governance.
3. Master techniques for effective Big Data acquisition, cleansing, transformation, and validation to ensure data integrity for analysis.
4. Apply the full Data Analytics Lifecycle from defining objectives to interpreting results in core audit areas.
5. Utilize predictive modeling and advanced statistical methods to perform anomaly detection, risk scoring, and targeted testing for fraud prevention.
6. Develop automated routines for Continuous Controls Monitoring to provide real-time assurance over key internal controls effectiveness.
7. Employ compelling data visualization techniques and dashboards to translate complex analytical results into clear, actionable insights for management and the Board.
8. Gain hands-on proficiency with essential audit analytics tools
9. Integrate Robotic Process Automation (RPA) and scripting to automate routine audit tests, enhancing audit efficiency and focusing resources on high-risk areas.
10. Understand the implications, ethics, and governance of deploying Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning models in the audit process.
11. Use DA to proactively monitor transactions for adherence to regulatory requirements and compliance mandates, improving regulatory assurance.
12. Develop skills for effective communication and collaboration with IT, data owners, and business process owners regarding data governance and analytical findings.
13. Produce data-driven audit reports that shift the focus from merely reporting deficiencies to providing value-added insights and process improvement recommendations.

Target Audience

1. Internal Auditors (Staff, Senior, and Managers)
2. External Auditors and Assurance Professionals
3. IT Auditors and Information Systems Auditors
4. Chief Audit Executives (CAEs) and Audit Directors
5. Risk Management Professionals and Compliance Officers
6. Finance and Accounting Managers seeking to strengthen controls
7. Fraud Examiners and Investigative Analysts
8. Business Analysts focused on process improvement and controls

Course Modules

Module 1: Foundational Concepts of Continuous Auditing (CA)

- Continuous Auditing (CA) and Traditional Auditing.
- Differentiating Continuous Auditing, Continuous Controls Monitoring, and Continuous Monitoring.
- CA Strategy & Roadmap.
- Technology Landscape.
- Case Study: Implementing CA in a P2P (Procure-to-Pay) Cycle.

Module 2: Audit Data Analytics (ADA) Lifecycle

- The DA Process.
- Data Sourcing & ETL.
- Data Cleansing & Validation.
- Types of Analytics.
- Case Study: Revenue Recognition Analysis.

Module 3: Core Audit Analytics Techniques

- Statistical Sampling and Full Population Testing.
- Anomaly Detection
- Segmentation and Clustering.
- Relational Database & SQL Fundamentals.
- Case Study: General Ledger Anomaly Detection.

Module 4: Advanced Data Analytics & Predictive Modeling

- Introduction to Machine Learning.
- Predictive Analytics in Risk.
- Text Mining & Natural Language Processing.
- AI & Ethical Considerations.
- Case Study: Fraud Prediction Model.

Module 5: Continuous Controls Monitoring (CCM) Implementation

- Key Controls Identification.
- Developing Automated Tests.
- Thresholds and Alert Management.
- Integration with GRC.
- Case Study: Automated SoD Monitoring.

Module 6: Audit Automation and Tool Proficiency

- Tool Selection.
- Robotic Process Automation (RPA) for Auditors.
- Visualization Software
- Cloud Auditing & Data Security.
- Case Study: Automating Confirmation Process.

Module 7: Reporting, Communication, and Value Delivery

- Visualizing Audit Results.
- Data Storytelling
- From Findings to Actionable Insights.
- Metrics and Value Measurement.
- Case Study: Executive Risk Dashboard.

Module 8: Future of Audit and Advanced Topics

- Integrated Assurance
- Blockchain and Distributed Ledger Technology.
- Advanced Data Governance.
- Agile Auditing.
- Case Study: Continuous Compliance Monitoring.

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.

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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
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000

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