

Digital Research Skills Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Library Institute	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

By the end of this course participants will be able to:

1. Apply advanced digital research methodologies.
2. Conduct effective online information searches.
3. Evaluate digital information credibility.
4. Utilize AI-powered research tools responsibly.
5. Perform systematic literature reviews.
6. Manage digital references efficiently.
7. Apply research ethics in digital environments.
8. Analyze digital data using modern tools.
9. Visualize research findings professionally.
10. Improve evidence-based decision-making.
11. Strengthen digital collaboration in research.
12. Produce high-quality research reports.
13. Enhance knowledge management and innovation.

Organizational Benefits

- Improved research quality.
- Faster evidence collection.
- Better strategic decisions.
- Increased staff productivity.
- Enhanced innovation capacity.
- Stronger data governance.
- Improved policy development.
- Better knowledge sharing.
- Reduced research errors.
- Increased organizational competitiveness.

Target Audience

- Researchers
- University Lecturers
- Graduate Students
- Monitoring and Evaluation Officers

- Policy Analysts
- Development Practitioners
- Data Analysts
- Project Managers

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Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Digital Research

- Principles of digital research.
- Research planning techniques.
- Digital research lifecycle.
- Types of digital information sources.
- Research quality standards.
- Case Study: OECD Digital Government Research Practices.

Module 2: Advanced Online Search Techniques

- Search engine optimization for research.
- Academic database searching.
- Boolean and advanced search operators.
- Finding open-access resources.
- Evaluating online credibility.
- Case Study: Google Scholar Research Strategy.

Module 3: AI Tools and Digital Research

- AI-assisted literature review.
- Responsible AI applications.
- Digital note-taking platforms.
- Research automation tools.
- Productivity enhancement techniques.
- Case Study: AI-supported research in higher education.

Module 4: Literature Review and Reference Management

- Systematic literature reviews.
- Citation management software.
- Reference organization methods.
- Avoiding plagiarism.
- Research documentation.

- Case Study: PRISMA Literature Review Framework.

Module 5: Digital Data Collection and Analysis

- Online survey platforms.
- Digital data collection methods.
- Data cleaning techniques.
- Basic analytical tools.
- Data interpretation skills.
- Case Study: World Bank Digital Data Collection Projects.

Module 6: Data Visualization and Research Reporting

- Visual presentation principles.
- Dashboard development basics.
- Infographics for research.
- Digital reporting tools.
- Evidence-based storytelling.
- Case Study: United Nations Sustainable Development Reports.

Module 7: Research Ethics and Cybersecurity

- Digital research ethics.
- Privacy and data protection.
- Cybersecurity awareness.
- Intellectual property rights.
- Responsible information sharing.
- Case Study: GDPR Compliance in Research Institutions.

Module 8: Digital Collaboration and Knowledge Management

- Cloud-based collaboration.
- Research project management.
- Knowledge-sharing platforms.
- Digital teamwork strategies.
- Research dissemination techniques.
- Case Study: Global Research Collaboration through Open Science.

Training Methodology

- Interactive facilitator-led presentations.

- Guided practical exercises.
- Hands-on digital research workshops.
- AI research tool demonstrations.
- Individual and group assignments.
- Real-world case study analysis.
- Group discussions and peer learning.
- Digital platform simulations.
- Knowledge assessments.
- Action planning for workplace implementation.

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

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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
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0

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