GIS Mapping for Humanitarian Response Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Migration and Refugee	**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. To understand the fundamentals of GIS in humanitarian response.
2. To analyze geospatial data for disaster preparedness and risk reduction.
3. To apply GIS mapping techniques in real-time emergency response.
4. To develop skills in crisis mapping for displaced populations and refugee tracking.
5. To utilize satellite imagery for humanitarian decision-making.
6. To integrate GIS with mobile data collection tools for rapid assessments.
7. To evaluate case studies on GIS applications in conflict and disaster zones.
8. To enhance skills in creating interactive maps for humanitarian stakeholders.
9. To strengthen capacity in resource allocation through GIS-based analysis.
10. To apply spatial analysis in monitoring and evaluating humanitarian projects.
11. To understand ethical considerations in humanitarian GIS applications.
12. To learn best practices in GIS collaboration for humanitarian organizations.
13. To design and implement GIS workflows tailored to humanitarian response.

Organizational Benefits

1. Improved decision-making through geospatial intelligence.
2. Enhanced coordination during emergency responses.
3. Increased efficiency in resource allocation and logistics.
4. Stronger preparedness for natural disasters and conflicts.
5. Greater accountability and transparency in humanitarian projects.
6. Strengthened monitoring and evaluation frameworks.
7. Better collaboration across humanitarian agencies.
8. Reduced response time during crises.
9. Increased staff capacity in modern GIS technologies.
10. Enhanced global reputation as a technologically advanced organization

Target Audiences

1. Humanitarian response coordinators.
2. Disaster risk management professionals.
3. Emergency response teams.
4. Refugee and migration specialists.
5. NGO and INGO staff members.
6. Government disaster response agencies.
7. Academic researchers in humanitarian studies.
8. Technology specialists in mapping and data analysis.

Course Duration: 5 days

Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of GIS for Humanitarian Response

- Introduction to GIS concepts and applications.
- Understanding spatial data and mapping tools.
- Humanitarian use cases of GIS technology.
- Digital cartography and crisis mapping essentials.
- Practical session on GIS software.
- Case study: Mapping flood-affected populations.

Module 2: Data Collection and Integration in Humanitarian GIS

- Mobile data collection for emergency response.
- Integrating GPS data into GIS.
- Use of satellite imagery for disaster mapping.
- Real-time data visualization.
- Challenges in data accuracy and reliability.
- Case study: Using GIS for earthquake rapid assessment.

Module 3: Crisis Mapping and Refugee Response

- Techniques for mapping displaced populations.
- Real-time refugee camp monitoring.
- GIS in humanitarian logistics.
- Ethical considerations in crisis mapping.
- Digital storytelling through maps.
- Case study: Refugee tracking during conflict.

Module 4: GIS for Disaster Risk Reduction

- Risk assessment using GIS tools.
- Mapping vulnerable communities.
- Predictive modeling for disaster scenarios.
- Use of geospatial data in preparedness planning.
- Collaboration with stakeholders using GIS maps.
- Case study: Cyclone early-warning systems.

Module 5: Spatial Analysis for Humanitarian Decision-Making

- Principles of spatial analysis.
- Identifying priority intervention areas.
- Using GIS to optimize humanitarian supply chains.
- Overlay analysis for decision support.
- Building interactive dashboards.
- Case study: Food security mapping in drought zones.

Module 6: GIS for Conflict and Security Mapping

- Conflict zone mapping essentials.

- Risk mapping for security planning.
- Integrating social media data in GIS.
- Detecting hotspots and migration flows.
- Humanitarian access mapping.
- Case study: GIS in armed conflict zones.

Module 7: Monitoring and Evaluation with GIS

- Role of GIS in project monitoring.
- Impact assessment through spatial data.
- Visualization of humanitarian indicators.
- Creating maps for donor reporting.
- Data-driven evaluation tools.
- Case study: Post-disaster housing reconstruction.

Module 8: Future Trends and Innovations in Humanitarian GIS

- AI and machine learning in GIS.
- UAVs and drones in humanitarian mapping.
- Cloud-based GIS platforms.
- Virtual and augmented reality in crisis response.
- Big data integration with GIS.
- Case study: Drone mapping for flood management.

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and guided discussions.
- Practical GIS lab sessions using software and tools.
- Group exercises on crisis mapping.
- Real-world case study analysis.
- Simulations of humanitarian response scenarios.
- Hands-on projects with geospatial data.

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
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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