Groundwater Modelling in Mines Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	General Training	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Master 3D groundwater flow modelling in mining environments
2. Understand mine dewatering design and optimization techniques
3. Apply MODFLOW-based numerical groundwater simulation
4. Develop skills in hydrogeological conceptual model building
5. Perform aquifer parameter estimation and calibration techniques
6. Evaluate mine water inflow prediction and risk assessment
7. Integrate GIS and remote sensing in groundwater modelling
8. Conduct contaminant transport modelling and plume analysis
9. Design sustainable mine water management systems
10. Apply ESG-compliant groundwater impact assessments
11. Implement digital twin approaches for mine hydrogeology
12. Improve decision-making using predictive simulation scenarios
13. Strengthen capability in climate-resilient mine water planning

Target Audience

1. Mining Engineers
2. Hydrogeologists
3. Geotechnical Engineers
4. Environmental Engineers
5. Mine Planning Professionals
6. Water Resource Specialists
7. Geoscientists and Geologists
8. ESG and Sustainability Consultants

Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of Groundwater Flow in Mines

- Principles of hydrogeology and groundwater systems
- Darcy’s Law and flow dynamics in mining zones
- Aquifer types and geological controls
- Mine hydrostratigraphy interpretation
- Groundwater recharge and discharge processes

- **Case Study:** Dewatering challenges in a deep underground gold mine

Module 2: Hydrogeological Conceptual Model Development

- Data collection and geological interpretation
- Conceptual model building techniques
- Boundary conditions in mine environments
- Structural controls on groundwater flow
- Uncertainty analysis in conceptualization
- **Case Study:** Conceptual model failure in a copper open-pit mine

Module 3: Numerical Groundwater Modelling (MODFLOW)

- Introduction to MODFLOW software environment
- Grid design and discretization methods
- Hydraulic conductivity and parameter setup
- Steady-state vs transient simulations
- Model execution and troubleshooting
- **Case Study:** Predicting inflow in a coal mining operation

Module 4: Mine Dewatering Systems Design

- Dewatering strategies for open-pit mines
- Pumping wells and drainage systems
- Sump and barrier systems design
- Flow optimization techniques
- Operational water control systems
- **Case Study:** Dewatering optimization in a large iron ore mine

Module 5: Groundwater Calibration and Validation

- Sensitivity analysis methods
- Calibration techniques and parameter tuning
- Validation against field data
- Error minimization techniques
- Model reliability assessment
- **Case Study:** Calibration of groundwater model in a diamond mine

Module 6: Contaminant Transport and Environmental Impact

- Solute transport modelling principles
- Pollution pathways in mining environments
- Tailings leakage and seepage modelling
- Risk assessment frameworks
- Environmental compliance modelling
- **Case Study:** Acid mine drainage impact simulation

Module 7: GIS, Remote Sensing & Data Integration

- GIS-based groundwater mapping
- Remote sensing for hydrogeological studies
- Spatial data integration techniques

- Digital elevation model usage
- Data visualization for mine planning
- **Case Study:** GIS-supported groundwater mapping in a platinum mine

Module 8: Advanced Applications & Digital Mine Water Systems

- Digital twin modelling in hydrogeology
- AI and machine learning in groundwater prediction
- Climate change impact modelling
- ESG reporting integration
- Future trends in mine water management
- **Case Study:** Smart groundwater monitoring system in a modern lithium mine

Training Methodology

- 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
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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