

PFM for Urban and Municipal Governments Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Public Financial Management & Budgeting	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Strengthen municipal budgeting and expenditure management.
2. Apply public financial management reforms for improved accountability.
3. Implement fiscal decentralization strategies to empower local governments.
4. Enhance revenue mobilization and taxation systems.
5. Improve urban infrastructure financing and investment planning.
6. Strengthen financial reporting, audit, and compliance frameworks.
7. Integrate digital transformation in public financial management.
8. Develop climate-resilient municipal financing models.
9. Apply public-private partnerships (PPP) for sustainable urban projects.
10. Strengthen governance, transparency, and anti-corruption mechanisms.
11. Implement performance-based budgeting in urban contexts.
12. Design inclusive financial policies for urban communities.
13. Build capacity for long-term municipal financial sustainability.

Target Audience

1. Municipal Finance Officers
2. Urban Planners and Administrators
3. Policy Makers in Local Governments
4. Public Sector Accountants and Auditors
5. Urban Governance and Development Consultants
6. Infrastructure and PPP Managers
7. Revenue and Taxation Officers
8. Civil Society and NGO Representatives in Governance

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Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Public Financial Management in Urban Contexts

- Overview of municipal finance systems
- Role of PFM in urban governance
- Key challenges in city financial management
- Principles of fiscal responsibility and transparency
- Global best practices in urban PFM
- **Case Study: Johannesburg's Municipal Finance Reform**

Module 2: Municipal Budgeting and Expenditure Management

- Budget preparation and execution
- Participatory budgeting in urban governments
- Expenditure control and prioritization
- Linking budgets to service delivery
- Tools for monitoring and evaluation
- **Case Study: Porto Alegre's Participatory Budgeting Model**

Module 3: Revenue Mobilization and Taxation Systems

- Local revenue sources and taxation mechanisms
- Property tax reforms in urban settings
- Innovative approaches to revenue mobilization
- Strengthening revenue administration
- Leveraging technology for tax collection
- **Case Study: Nairobi City's e-Revenue System**

Module 4: Fiscal Decentralization and Governance

- Principles of fiscal decentralization
- Intergovernmental fiscal transfers
- Enhancing local autonomy and accountability
- Legal and policy frameworks
- Linking decentralization to urban resilience
- **Case Study: India's 74th Constitutional Amendment**

Module 5: Infrastructure Financing and PPP Models

- Financing urban infrastructure projects
- Role of PPPs in municipal service delivery
- Risk-sharing and value-for-money analysis
- Structuring PPP contracts effectively
- Innovative financing tools (green bonds, municipal bonds)
- **Case Study: Manila Water PPP Project**

Module 6: Financial Reporting, Auditing, and Compliance

- International standards in municipal reporting
- Internal and external auditing practices
- Enhancing compliance with fiscal rules
- Digitalization of reporting processes
- Role of supreme audit institutions
- **Case Study: Ghana's Municipal Audit Strengthening Program**

Module 7: Digital Transformation and Smart City Finance

- Role of ICT in PFM reforms
- E-governance tools for accountability
- Blockchain and fintech in municipal finance
- Smart city funding and digital payments
- Cybersecurity in financial systems
- **Case Study: Estonia's Digital Governance in Municipal Finance**

Module 8: Climate-Resilient and Sustainable Urban Finance

- Climate finance and urban sustainability
- Financing green infrastructure projects
- Integrating resilience in municipal budgets
- Climate adaptation funds and grants
- Mainstreaming sustainability in PFM systems
- **Case Study: Rotterdam's Climate Adaptation Financing**

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures with expert facilitators

- Group discussions and peer-to-peer learning
- Practical exercises and financial simulations
- Real-world municipal case studies and success stories
- Hands-on workshops with digital PFM tools
- Policy dialogues and problem-solving sessions

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

- The participant must be conversant with English.
- Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- 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
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