Requirements Gathering & Traceability Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Project Management	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the role of requirements gathering in successful project and system delivery.
2. Apply structured techniques for eliciting business and stakeholder requirements.
3. Identify and document functional and non-functional requirements clearly.
4. Use stakeholder analysis to manage expectations and conflicting needs.
5. Develop requirements documentation aligned with industry best practices.
6. Establish traceability between business needs, requirements, and solutions.
7. Apply requirements validation and verification techniques.
8. Manage requirements changes and perform impact analysis effectively.
9. Use traceability matrices to support testing and compliance activities.
10. Align requirements with agile, waterfall, and hybrid delivery models.
11. Improve communication between business, technical, and operational teams.
12. Reduce project risk through effective requirements governance.
13. Develop actionable requirements management and traceability plans.

Organizational Benefits

- Reduced project rework and scope creep
- Improved alignment between business goals and delivered solutions
- Enhanced stakeholder engagement and satisfaction
- Stronger control over requirements changes and risks
- Improved compliance and audit readiness
- Increased efficiency in solution design and testing
- Clear documentation supporting operational continuity
- Better collaboration between business and technical teams
- Improved project predictability and delivery outcomes
- Stronger governance across project lifecycles

Target Audiences

- Business analysts and systems analysts
- Project and program managers

- Product owners and product managers
- IT and software development teams
- Quality assurance and testing professionals
- Process improvement and transformation teams
- Compliance and risk management staff
- Consultants and solution architects

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Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Requirements Management

- Definition and types of requirements
- Importance of requirements in project success
- Common causes of requirements failure
- Overview of requirements lifecycle
- Roles and responsibilities in requirements management
- Case Study: Project failure due to unclear requirements

Module 2: Stakeholder Identification and Analysis

- Identifying internal and external stakeholders
- Stakeholder power, interest, and influence analysis
- Managing conflicting stakeholder expectations
- Communication planning for requirements activities
- Stakeholder engagement strategies
- Case Study: Resolving stakeholder conflicts in a system upgrade

Module 3: Business Needs and Problem Definition

- Defining business problems and opportunities
- Translating business goals into requirements
- Scope definition and boundary setting
- Assumptions, constraints, and dependencies
- Success criteria and value definition
- Case Study: Defining business needs for a digital transformation project

Module 4: Requirements Elicitation Techniques

- Interviews and facilitated workshops
- Observation and job shadowing
- Surveys and questionnaires

- Document analysis and benchmarking
- Prototyping and brainstorming sessions
- Case Study: Multi-technique elicitation in a complex organization

Module 5: Functional Requirements Documentation

- Writing clear and testable functional requirements
- Use cases and user stories
- Process models and workflows
- Acceptance criteria definition
- Avoiding ambiguity and redundancy
- Case Study: Documenting functional requirements for an ERP module

Module 6: Non-Functional Requirements

- Performance, security, and usability requirements
- Regulatory and compliance requirements
- Availability, scalability, and reliability needs
- Data and reporting requirements
- Prioritizing non-functional requirements
- Case Study: Security and performance requirements for a financial system

Module 7: Requirements Prioritization

- Techniques for prioritizing requirements
- MoSCoW and value-based prioritization
- Managing trade-offs and constraints
- Aligning priorities with business value
- Roadmap and release planning considerations
- Case Study: Prioritizing requirements under budget constraints

Module 8: Requirements Modeling and Visualization

- Process models and diagrams
- Data models and entity relationships
- Use case and activity diagrams
- Visual tools for stakeholder validation
- Linking models to requirements documentation
- Case Study: Visual modeling improving stakeholder understanding

Module 9: Validation and Verification of Requirements

- Techniques for validating requirements with stakeholders
- Ensuring completeness, consistency, and feasibility
- Traceability for verification and testing
- Review and approval workflows
- Managing validation feedback
- Case Study: Validation preventing late-stage rework

Module 10: Requirements Traceability Fundamentals

- Definition and purpose of traceability
- Types of traceability relationships
- Forward and backward traceability
- Linking requirements to business objectives
- Supporting audit and compliance needs
- Case Study: Traceability in a regulated environment

Module 11: Traceability Matrices and Tools

- Designing requirements traceability matrices
- Mapping requirements to design, build, and test
- Using tools for automated traceability
- Maintaining traceability over time
- Reporting and dashboards for traceability
- Case Study: Implementing an RTM for a multi-phase project

Module 12: Change Management and Impact Analysis

- Managing requirements changes
- Change request workflows
- Impact analysis techniques
- Version control and baselining
- Communicating changes to stakeholders
- Case Study: Managing scope creep through impact analysis

Module 13: Agile and Hybrid Requirements Management

- Requirements in agile frameworks
- User stories and backlog management
- Traceability in agile environments
- Integrating agile and traditional approaches
- Managing evolving requirements
- Case Study: Hybrid requirements management in an agile project

Module 14: Requirements Governance and Quality Assurance

- Establishing governance structures
- Standards, templates, and checklists
- Quality metrics for requirements
- Audits and continuous improvement
- Roles of PMOs and governance bodies
- Case Study: Governance framework improving delivery outcomes

Module 15: Implementing Sustainable Requirements Practices

- Building organizational capability in requirements management
- Training and competency development
- Tool selection and adoption
- Measuring maturity and performance
- Continuous improvement strategies
- Case Study: Enterprise-wide requirements management rollout

Training Methodology

- Instructor-led presentations and concept briefings
- Facilitated workshops and group discussions
- Practical exercises using real-world scenarios
- Case study analysis and problem-solving sessions
- Templates and tools for immediate workplace use
- Action plan development and peer feedback

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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	04 Dec 2026	Online	$2,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$9,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000

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