

Soft Skills for Procurement Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Logistics and Supply Chain Management	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. Enhance effective communication and active listening skills for procurement professionals.
2. Develop strategic negotiation techniques to maximize supplier value.
3. Strengthen conflict management and problem-solving capabilities.
4. Cultivate emotional intelligence for improved stakeholder engagement.
5. Build leadership and team collaboration skills in procurement contexts.
6. Improve presentation and persuasive communication techniques.
7. Foster cross-cultural awareness and adaptability in global procurement.
8. Master time management and prioritization for procurement efficiency.
9. Enhance relationship-building strategies with suppliers and internal teams.
10. Integrate ethical decision-making and professional integrity into procurement.
11. Apply critical thinking to procurement challenges and opportunities.
12. Develop resilience and stress management techniques for high-pressure situations.
13. Leverage influence and persuasion to drive procurement outcomes.

Organizational Benefits

1. Improved procurement efficiency and reduced operational costs.
2. Strengthened supplier relationships and collaboration.
3. Enhanced team productivity and morale.
4. Increased negotiation success and value realization.
5. Better conflict management across procurement projects.
6. Development of leadership and mentoring capabilities.

7. Higher adaptability to changing business environments.
8. Improved internal stakeholder satisfaction and communication.
9. Stronger compliance with ethical and professional standards.
10. Greater organizational competitiveness and strategic advantage.

Target Audiences

1. Procurement officers and managers.
2. Supply chain coordinators and specialists.
3. Contract managers and administrators.
4. Vendor management professionals.
5. Category managers and sourcing specialists.
6. Finance and budget officers interacting with procurement.
7. Project managers with procurement responsibilities.
8. New entrants to the procurement function seeking professional development.

Course Duration: 5 days

Course Modules

Module 1: Communication Excellence in Procurement

- Effective verbal and written communication techniques
- Active listening strategies for stakeholder engagement
- Tailoring messages to internal and external audiences
- Enhancing clarity and persuasion in procurement discussions
- Case Study: Resolving miscommunication between supplier and procurement team
- Interactive role-play on communication challenges

Module 2: Strategic Negotiation Skills

- Planning and preparation for procurement negotiations
- Win-win negotiation strategies
- Handling objections and overcoming barriers
- Negotiation ethics and professionalism
- Case Study: Successful multi-party negotiation with suppliers
- Simulation exercise on supplier negotiation

Module 3: Conflict Management and Problem Solving

- Identifying sources of conflict in procurement
- Techniques for conflict resolution and mediation
- Problem-solving frameworks for procurement challenges
- Collaborative approaches to resolving disputes
- Case Study: Supplier conflict escalation and resolution
- Group activity on problem-solving scenarios

Module 4: Emotional Intelligence for Procurement Professionals

- Understanding and managing emotions in the workplace
- Empathy and relationship-building techniques
- Stress management in high-pressure procurement situations
- Enhancing decision-making through emotional awareness
- Case Study: Emotional intelligence in supplier negotiation
- Self-assessment and reflection exercises

Module 5: Leadership and Team Collaboration

- Leading procurement teams effectively
- Motivating and coaching team members
- Fostering collaboration and knowledge sharing
- Delegation and accountability strategies
- Case Study: Improving cross-functional procurement team performance
- Group leadership exercise

Module 6: Presentation and Persuasive Communication

- Designing impactful procurement presentations
- Influencing decision-makers and stakeholders
- Visual and verbal presentation techniques
- Handling questions and objections confidently
- Case Study: Presenting a procurement proposal to management
- Peer feedback on presentations

Module 7: Cross-Cultural Awareness and Adaptability

- Understanding cultural differences in procurement
- Adapting communication and negotiation styles globally
- Overcoming cultural barriers in supplier relations
- Developing global collaboration skills
- Case Study: Cross-border supplier negotiation challenges
- Role-play exercises on cultural adaptability

Module 8: Ethical Decision-Making and Professional Integrity

- Ethical standards in procurement
- Avoiding conflicts of interest and corruption
- Implementing transparency in procurement processes
- Decision-making frameworks for ethical dilemmas
- Case Study: Ethical procurement decision-making in real scenarios
- Discussion on ethical challenges and best practices

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and discussions
- Case studies from real procurement scenarios
- Group exercises and role-playing activities
- Simulations of negotiation and conflict resolution
- Peer-to-peer learning and feedback sessions
- Practical assignments to apply skills on the job

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

- 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
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
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