

Modern Trade Union Governance Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Trade Unions	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Strengthen trade union governance frameworks for transparency and accountability
2. Enhance collective bargaining strategies in digital and hybrid workplaces
3. Build capacity in labor rights compliance and enforcement mechanisms
4. Develop ethical leadership and anti-corruption systems in unions
5. Improve financial management and audit systems for union sustainability
6. Apply digital transformation in union operations and communication
7. Strengthen industrial relations and conflict resolution skills
8. Promote worker empowerment and inclusive representation models
9. Integrate ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) principles into union structures
10. Advance policy advocacy and labor law reform engagement
11. Enhance data-driven decision-making in union governance
12. Strengthen organizing strategies for informal and gig workers
13. Build resilience through crisis management and labor dispute mediation

Target Audience

1. Trade union leaders and executives
2. Shop stewards and workplace representatives
3. Labor relations officers and HR union liaisons
4. Government labor inspectors and policy officers
5. NGO labor rights advocates
6. Cooperative and workers' association leaders
7. Industrial relations consultants
8. Emerging youth labor organizers and activists

Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Modern Trade Union Governance

- Evolution of trade unionism in the digital economy
- Governance structures and constitutional frameworks
- Roles of executive committees and delegates
- Member participation systems
- Case Study: Governance reforms in European trade unions adapting to gig work platforms

Module 2: Collective Bargaining in the 21st Century

- Negotiation principles and bargaining power dynamics
- Sectoral vs enterprise-level bargaining

- Digital negotiation tools and virtual bargaining rooms
- Wage inequality and fair compensation frameworks
- Case Study: Successful collective agreement in the logistics and delivery platform sector

Module 3: Labor Law, Compliance & Enforcement

- National and international labor standards (ILO conventions)
- Compliance monitoring systems
- Dispute escalation procedures
- Legal advocacy strategies
- Case Study: Enforcement of minimum wage compliance in informal retail sectors

Module 4: Financial Governance & Transparency

- Union budgeting and financial planning
- Audit systems and fraud prevention
- Membership dues management systems
- Financial reporting standards
- Case Study: Recovery of mismanaged union funds through forensic audit systems

Module 5: Digital Transformation in Trade Unions

- Union digitization strategies and CRM systems
- Online member engagement platforms
- Cybersecurity for labor organizations
- Data analytics for membership growth
- Case Study: Digital union mobilization during COVID-19 workplace disruptions

Module 6: Conflict Resolution & Industrial Relations

- Mediation and arbitration techniques
- Workplace dispute resolution frameworks
- Strike management strategies
- Psychological safety in labor negotiations
- Case Study: Peaceful resolution of national teachers' strike through mediated bargaining

Module 7: Leadership, Ethics & Member Engagement

- Ethical leadership models in unions
- Anti-corruption policies and accountability systems
- Membership retention strategies
- Youth and gender inclusion in unions
- Case Study: Leadership renewal and transparency reforms in African public sector unions

Module 8: Policy Advocacy & Global Labor Movements

- Labor policy formulation and lobbying strategies
- Engagement with government and employers
- Global solidarity networks
- ESG and sustainable work agenda
- Case Study: International campaign for platform workers' rights recognition

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- 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
07 Sep 2026	11 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
07 Sep 2026	11 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
14 Sep 2026	18 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000

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14 Sep 2026	18 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$1,000
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500

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