

Reinforcement Learning for Experimental Design Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Research and Data Analysis	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the foundational concepts of reinforcement learning and its application in experimental design.
2. Implement dynamic experimental strategies using model-free and model-based RL techniques.
3. Explore reward structures and performance metrics in adaptive experimentation.
4. Build intelligent agents for simulation-based experimental design.
5. Evaluate exploration vs. exploitation trade-offs in real-time learning environments.
6. Integrate RL with Bayesian optimization for experimental efficiency.
7. Apply Markov Decision Processes to optimize sequential decision-making.
8. Develop and evaluate Q-learning, SARSA, and deep RL architectures.
9. Use OpenAI Gym and simulation environments for experimentation.
10. Enhance experimental throughput using automated RL systems.
11. Analyze real-world case studies in medicine, manufacturing, and online platforms.
12. Apply deep reinforcement learning in multi-arm bandit problems.
13. Leverage RL for sustainable, data-efficient experimental practices.

Target Audience

1. Data Scientists
2. AI/Machine Learning Engineers
3. Research Scientists
4. Biostatisticians
5. Behavioral Analysts
6. Healthcare Analysts
7. Marketing Professionals
8. Academic Researchers

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Reinforcement Learning

- Fundamentals of RL and core terminology
- Difference between supervised, unsupervised, and reinforcement learning
- Overview of agent-environment interaction
- Understanding MDPs and reward structures
- Types of RL algorithms: model-based vs. model-free
- **Case Study:** Introductory RL in a clinical trial context

Module 2: Experimental Design Principles and RL Applications

- Basics of experimental design and hypothesis testing
- Advantages of dynamic over static design
- RL integration with statistical models
- Incorporating uncertainty and feedback loops
- RL for adaptive experimentation
- **Case Study:** RL-enhanced pharmaceutical testing

Module 3: Policy Optimization and Value-Based Methods

- Policy iteration and value iteration algorithms
- Temporal Difference (TD) learning
- SARSA and Q-learning explained
- Discounted rewards and convergence behavior
- Implementing value functions in Python
- **Case Study:** RL for industrial process optimization

Module 4: Deep Reinforcement Learning and DQNs

- Neural networks for function approximation
- Introduction to DQN, target networks, and experience replay
- Training pipelines and performance evaluation
- Limitations and solutions in deep RL
- Hyperparameter tuning strategies
- **Case Study:** Personalization engines in e-commerce platforms

Module 5: Exploration vs. Exploitation Dilemmas

- Greedy vs. ϵ -greedy strategies
- Upper Confidence Bound (UCB) methods
- Thompson Sampling in real-time experiments
- Balancing short-term gains and long-term learning
- Practical implementation in dynamic environments
- **Case Study:** Multi-armed bandits in digital marketing

Module 6: Simulation Environments for RL in Experimentation

- Setting up OpenAI Gym and custom environments
- Defining reward functions for experimental goals
- Creating simulation models with real-world constraints
- Logging, debugging, and visualizing agent learning
- Using Gym wrappers and observation spaces
- **Case Study:** Behavioral pattern testing using simulated models

Module 7: Advanced Applications and Integration with Other Models

- Combining RL with Bayesian optimization
- Reinforcement learning with causal inference
- Hierarchical RL for complex experimental tasks
- Transfer learning in experimental pipelines
- Designing hybrid algorithms for robust optimization
- **Case Study:** Hybrid RL models in smart manufacturing

Module 8: Capstone Project & Evaluation

- Hands-on project with real-world data
- Define problem, environment, and reward structure

- Build and test an RL-based experimental design system
- Peer review and feedback
- Final project presentation and grading
- **Case Study:** Full-scale deployment in academic research lab

Training Methodology

- Instructor-led live training sessions
- Python-based practical labs with real-world datasets
- Case-study driven discussions and assignments
- Peer collaboration through breakout groups
- Access to cloud-based simulation tools and RL frameworks

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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
07 Sep 2026	11 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
14 Sep 2026	18 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
05 Oct 2026	09 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
12 Oct 2026	16 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
19 Oct 2026	23 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500

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