

Training Course on Research and Economic Modeling for Central Banks

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Banking Institute	Duration	10 Days
Base Fee	\$3,000 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Master macroeconomic modeling techniques for central banking.
2. Understand data analytics in monetary policy design.
3. Apply econometric tools for inflation and output forecasting.
4. Develop and calibrate DSGE (Dynamic Stochastic General Equilibrium) models.
5. Analyze financial stability indicators and systemic risks.
6. Conduct time-series forecasting using ARIMA and VAR models.
7. Utilize machine learning in macro-financial analysis.
8. Evaluate policy implications using counterfactual simulations.
9. Perform real-time economic surveillance and nowcasting.
10. Create scenario-based economic policy frameworks.
11. Strengthen technical writing and policy communication skills.
12. Build capacity in research paper development for publication.
13. Integrate global financial data sources and econometric software.

Target Audience

1. Central Bank Researchers
2. Economic Policy Analysts
3. Monetary Policy Advisors
4. Econometricians and Statisticians
5. Macroeconomic Modelers
6. Financial Stability Experts
7. Academic Economists
8. Ministry of Finance Economists

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Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Central Bank Research and Policy

- Role of research in central banks
- Overview of economic modeling frameworks
- Institutional modeling practices
- Policy vs. academic research
- Research governance and evaluation
- **Case Study: Federal Reserve Research Architecture**

Module 2: Time-Series Econometrics for Policy Forecasting

- ARIMA, VAR, and VECM models
- Stationarity, cointegration, and error correction
- Impulse response and forecast error variance

- Model selection and diagnostics
- Forecasting inflation and GDP growth
- **Case Study: Inflation Forecasting in the Bank of England**

Module 3: DSGE Modeling in Central Banks

- Structure of DSGE models
- Calibration vs. estimation
- Solving and simulating models
- DSGE in policy analysis
- Use of Dynare and MATLAB
- **Case Study: ECB's Core DSGE Model**

Module 4: Financial Stability and Risk Modeling

- Macroprudential policy modeling
- Systemic risk indicators
- Credit and asset price cycles
- Stress testing frameworks
- Early warning systems
- **Case Study: BIS Stress Testing Framework**

Module 5: Machine Learning for Macro-Financial Analysis

- Introduction to ML algorithms
- Supervised vs. unsupervised learning
- Predictive analytics for macro indicators
- Integrating ML into policy models
- Tools: Python, R, TensorFlow
- **Case Study: IMF's ML Toolkit in Economic Surveillance**

Module 6: Real-Time Economic Monitoring and Nowcasting

- Nowcasting frameworks and tools
- Mixed-frequency data models
- High-frequency indicators
- Data pipelines and automation
- Evaluation of forecast performance
- **Case Study: Nowcasting GDP at the New York Fed**

Module 7: Exchange Rate and External Sector Modeling

- Determinants of exchange rate fluctuations
- Balance of payments modeling
- FX market intervention analysis
- Currency crisis models
- External vulnerability assessment
- **Case Study: IMF Exchange Market Pressure Index**

Module 8: Inflation Targeting and Monetary Policy Models

- Taylor rule and interest rate setting
- Inflation expectations and credibility
- Policy transmission mechanisms
- Role of inflation targeting in EMEs
- Communication strategy for inflation targeting

- **Case Study: Inflation Targeting in Brazil**

Module 9: Fiscal and Monetary Policy Coordination

- Fiscal multipliers and debt sustainability
- Ricardian vs. non-Ricardian regimes
- Fiscal dominance scenarios
- Monetary-fiscal interactions in DSGE
- Impacts of fiscal shocks
- **Case Study: Japan's Fiscal Policy and BoJ Coordination**

Module 10: Capital Flows and Trade Forecasting

- Capital flow volatility modeling
- Trade elasticity estimation
- Structural gravity models
- Terms-of-trade shock analysis
- Modeling remittances and FDI
- **Case Study: Capital Flows and Central Bank Policy in India**

Module 11: Forecast Evaluation and Uncertainty Analysis

- Forecast error metrics
- Fan charts and forecast bands
- Judgmental vs. model-based forecasts
- Communicating forecast uncertainty
- Forecast combination techniques
- **Case Study: ECB's Forecast Performance Evaluation**

Module 12: Policy Simulation and Scenario Building

- Counterfactual simulations
- Scenario analysis for shocks
- Stress testing policy reactions
- Simulation tools in macro modeling
- Presenting policy alternatives to stakeholders
- **Case Study: Covid-19 Scenario Simulations by BoC**

Module 13: Data Analytics for Research and Reporting

- Data cleaning and transformation
- High-frequency and alternative data
- Visualization and dashboarding
- Reporting templates for policy briefs
- Automation of routine reports
- **Case Study: World Bank DataLab in Action**

Module 14: Writing and Communicating Policy Research

- Structuring central bank reports
- Writing for policymakers
- Use of visuals and charts
- Peer review and publication process
- Integrating models into narratives
- **Case Study: Bank of Canada's Monetary Policy Report**

Module 15: Final Capstone Project

- Team-based research project
- Model development and analysis
- Policy recommendation write-up
- Presentation to mock central bank board
- Peer feedback and instructor evaluation
- **Case Study: Simulated Central Bank Policy Committee**

Training Methodology

- Instructor-led interactive lectures
- Practical hands-on modeling sessions
- Group-based simulations and scenario planning
- Live data analysis using econometric and ML tools
- Case study presentations and peer discussions

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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	18 Sep 2026	Online	\$2,200
14 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$2,200

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,200
28 Sep 2026	09 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,200
05 Oct 2026	16 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,200
12 Oct 2026	23 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,200
19 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,200
26 Oct 2026	06 Nov 2026	Online	\$2,200

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