

Training Course on Understanding and Influencing Education Funding Policy

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Educational Leadership and Management	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand global education financing trends and their policy implications.
2. Analyze public education funding models across diverse socio-economic contexts.
3. Examine the role of international donor funding in shaping education policies.
4. Identify equity gaps in education financing and propose solutions.
5. Develop strategies for education policy advocacy to influence funding decisions.
6. Explore performance-based funding and its impact on education quality.
7. Investigate the effects of privatization and public-private partnerships (PPPs) in education.
8. Interpret education budget cycles and fiscal policy frameworks.
9. Assess tools for financial transparency and accountability in education.
10. Formulate evidence-based policy recommendations on education funding.
11. Evaluate the impact of climate finance on education sector resilience.
12. Strengthen skills in stakeholder engagement and negotiation in policy reform.
13. Apply **data analytics for education finance** to inform policy-making.

Target Audience

1. Education policymakers and government officials
2. NGO leaders and education advocates
3. Donor agencies and funding institutions
4. Education researchers and policy analysts
5. School administrators and education managers
6. Financial and budget officers in education sectors
7. Civil society organizations and grassroots campaigners
8. Graduate students in education policy and development studies

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Global Education Financing Trends

- Overview of global education funding statistics
- Sources of education finance: Public, private, international
- Education funding in low-income vs. high-income countries
- Key policy frameworks influencing funding
- Current challenges in education financing
- **Case Study:** The Global Partnership for Education (GPE) in sub-Saharan Africa

Module 2: Public Education Funding Models

- Types of public education funding (formula-based, per capita, etc.)
- Revenue generation and tax policies for education
- The role of decentralization in funding allocation
- Evaluating funding adequacy and equity
- Policy instruments for improving funding efficiency
- **Case Study:** Finland's equitable education funding system

Module 3: International Donor Funding and Influence

- Major global donors in education financing
- Conditionalities and their impact on policy autonomy
- Aligning donor funds with national priorities
- Sustainability of donor-funded programs
- Monitoring and evaluating donor interventions
- **Case Study:** UNICEF's Education for Every Child initiative

Module 4: Policy Advocacy and Influencing Education Funding

- Building evidence for policy advocacy
- Crafting persuasive funding policy messages
- Coalition building for education financing reforms
- Engagement strategies with policymakers and legislators
- Advocacy tools: Policy briefs, social campaigns, lobbying
- **Case Study:** Education International's advocacy on education funding

Module 5: Equity, Inclusion, and Performance-Based Funding

- Understanding education funding disparities
- Mechanisms to promote inclusive funding
- Performance-based funding: Pros and cons
- Impact of funding on marginalized communities
- Policies for gender-responsive budgeting in education
- **Case Study:** Performance-based funding in South African universities

Module 6: Privatization, PPPs, and Education Policy

- Defining privatization in education contexts
- Models of public-private partnerships (PPPs)
- Risks and benefits of privatization in education
- Policy guidelines for regulating PPPs
- Accountability mechanisms in private sector involvement
- **Case Study:** The Bridge International Academies in Kenya

Module 7: Education Budgeting, Transparency, and Accountability

- Education budget preparation and cycles
- Transparency standards and fiscal reporting
- Tools for budget tracking and analysis
- Citizen participation in education budgeting
- Preventing corruption in education finance
- **Case Study:** Uganda's budget transparency in the education sector

Module 8: Data Analytics and Innovation in Education Financing

- Importance of data in education finance decision-making
- Tools and platforms for data collection and visualization
- Forecasting funding needs and gaps
- Leveraging technology for funding efficiency
- Using data for policy simulations and impact assessments
- **Case Study:** The Education Finance Watch by World Bank and UNESCO

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and expert presentations

- Group discussions and peer learning exercises
- Real-life case studies analysis
- Hands-on workshops for policy design and budgeting
- Data-driven simulations and scenario planning
- Practical advocacy campaign development

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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
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

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
19 Oct 2026	23 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500

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