Auditing Corporate Governance Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Corporate Governance	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Analyze and evaluate an organization's corporate governance framework.
2. Assess the effectiveness of the board of directors and its committees.
3. Conduct a risk-based governance audit, identifying key risks and control weaknesses.
4. Audit for compliance with global and local regulatory standards.
5. Integrate ESG factors and sustainability into governance audits.
6. Evaluate the organization's ethical culture, leadership, and accountability mechanisms.
7. Identify and audit stakeholder management and communication processes.
8. Understand the role of internal and external auditors in reinforcing governance.
9. Develop effective reporting and communication strategies for audit findings.
10. Analyze the financial and reputational impacts of governance failures.
11. Assess cybersecurity and data governance frameworks.
12. Master advanced auditing techniques for executive compensation and disclosures.
13. Provide actionable recommendations to enhance corporate resilience and value.

Organizational Benefits

- Improving transparency and accountability.
- Mitigating legal, financial, and reputational risks.
- Enhancing stakeholder confidence and investor relations.
- Ensuring compliance with complex and evolving regulations.
- Fostering a strong ethical culture and sustainable practices.
- Boosting the effectiveness and strategic contribution of the board.
- Creating a competitive advantage through strong, ethical leadership.

Target Audience

1. Internal Auditors and External Auditors
2. Compliance Officers and Risk Managers
3. Corporate Secretaries and Legal Professionals
4. Board Members and Senior Management
5. Finance Professionals and Accountants
6. Investors and Governance Analysts

7. Consultants specializing in governance and risk
8. Anyone with a professional interest in improving corporate governance practices.

Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Corporate Governance

- **Introduction** to Corporate Governance: principles, definitions, and frameworks.
- The **evolution** of governance and its importance in modern business.
- Understanding the **key pillars**: accountability, transparency, fairness, and independence.
- Examining global governance codes and standards (**OECD, G20, ISO 37000**).
- Case Study: The Enron Scandal?Çöanalyzing the complete breakdown of governance structures.

Module 2: Auditing the Board of Directors

- The role and **responsibilities** of the board and its committees.
- Techniques for evaluating **board effectiveness** and composition.
- Auditing board performance, meeting minutes, and decision-making processes.
- Assessing the independence and objectivity of **non-executive directors**.
- Case Study: The Wells Fargo Scandal?Çöauditing the board's oversight of a fraudulent sales culture.

Module 3: Risk Governance and Internal Controls

- Integrating **risk management** with corporate governance.
- Auditing the **Enterprise Risk Management (ERM)** framework.
- Evaluating the effectiveness of internal control systems.
- Assessing the board's role in **risk oversight** and crisis management.
- Case Study: The Volkswagen "Dieselgate" Scandal?Çöexamining the failure of risk governance and internal controls.

Module 4: Auditing for Ethical Culture and Compliance

- Auditing the company's **ethical framework** and code of conduct.
- Evaluating the effectiveness of whistleblowing and grievance mechanisms.
- Assessing the role of the audit committee in promoting an ethical environment.
- Auditing for compliance with anti-bribery, anti-corruption, and other key regulations.
- Case Study: The Siemens Bribery Scandal?Çöauditing for a lack of ethical culture and compliance.

Module 5: ESG and Sustainability Auditing

- Understanding the increasing importance of **ESG factors** in governance.
- Auditing the organization's **sustainability strategy** and reporting.
- Evaluating social and environmental risk management.
- Assessing the board's role in overseeing **climate risk** and corporate responsibility.
- Case Study: The BP Deepwater Horizon Disaster?Çöanalyzing a failure of governance in managing environmental and social risk.

Module 6: Stakeholder Management & Communication

- Auditing how a company identifies and engages with its **stakeholders**.
- Evaluating the transparency and accuracy of public disclosures and investor relations.
- Assessing the effectiveness of shareholder rights protection.

- Auditing the governance of executive compensation and incentives.
- Case Study: The Boeing 737 MAX Crisis?Çöexamining how poor governance and communication with stakeholders led to a major crisis.

Module 7: Auditing IT and Data Governance

- Auditing the company's **IT governance** framework.
- Assessing the board's oversight of **cybersecurity** and data privacy.
- Evaluating controls for information systems and data integrity.
- Auditing the use of new technologies like AI and blockchain in governance.
- Case Study: The Equifax Data Breach?Çöauditing a catastrophic failure in IT governance and security.

Module 8: Advanced Audit Reporting & Future Trends

- Developing and presenting **high-impact audit reports** to the board and management.
- Crafting actionable and strategic recommendations for governance improvement.
- The role of **continuous auditing** and monitoring in governance.
- Emerging trends in corporate governance: **remote governance**, **digital transformation**, and AI.
- Case Study: The Wirecard Collapse?Çöanalyzing how a failure of auditing and oversight contributed to one of Europe's biggest corporate scandals.

Training Methodology

This course employs a **blended and interactive learning methodology** to ensure maximum knowledge transfer and skill development. It combines:

- Interactive Lectures: Expert-led sessions with Q&A.
- Case Study Analysis.
- Group Discussions: Collaborative problem-solving and peer-to-peer learning.
- Practical Exercises.
- Workshops: Focused sessions on specific tools and techniques.
- Role-playing: Scenarios to practice audit interviews and report presentations.
- Peer-to-Peer Learning.

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
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000

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