

# Communication Research Methods Training Course

## Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

### Course Introduction

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### Programme Curriculum

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5 days

### **Course Objectives**

1. Understand foundations of Communication Research Design & Methodology
2. Apply advanced Quantitative Research Techniques & Statistical Analysis
3. Master Qualitative Research Methods in Media Studies
4. Conduct Social Media Analytics & Digital Audience Insights
5. Develop skills in Survey Design & Online Data Collection Tools
6. Perform Content Analysis using AI and Automation Tools
7. Analyze Media Effects and Audience Behavior Patterns
8. Use Big Data in Communication Research
9. Implement Mixed Methods Research Approaches
10. Evaluate Public Opinion & Sentiment Analysis
11. Apply Ethnographic and Field Research Techniques
12. Interpret Communication Metrics & Performance Indicators (KPIs)
13. Build Evidence-Based Communication Strategy Frameworks

### **Target Audience**

1. Communication students and researchers
2. Public relations and corporate communication professionals
3. Digital marketers and social media analysts
4. Journalists and media practitioners
5. NGO and development communication officers
6. Government communication specialists
7. Brand strategists and advertising professionals
8. Academic lecturers and research scholars

### **Course Modules**

#### **Module 1: Foundations of Communication Research**

- Research paradigms: positivist, interpretivist, critical
- Role of research in modern communication ecosystems
- Problem formulation & hypothesis development

- Variables, indicators, and conceptual frameworks
- Case Study: Analysis of global COVID-19 communication campaigns

## **Module 2: Quantitative Research Methods**

- Survey design and sampling techniques
- Measurement scales
- Statistical tools
- Data validation and reliability testing
- Case Study: Political polling accuracy in elections

## **Module 3: Qualitative Research Techniques**

- In-depth interviews and focus group discussions
- Thematic and narrative analysis
- Ethnographic observation in media environments
- Coding qualitative data using software tools
- Case Study: Audience perception of Netflix content strategies

## **Module 4: Media Content Analysis**

- Traditional vs digital content analysis
- Coding frameworks and categories
- Automated content analysis using AI tools
- Framing and discourse analysis
- Case Study: Analysis of climate change media framing

## **Module 5: Digital & Social Media Research**

- Social listening and monitoring tools
- Engagement metrics and KPIs
- Sentiment analysis and trend tracking
- Influencer impact measurement
- Case Study: Viral marketing campaign analysis on TikTok

## **Module 6: Survey & Data Collection Technologies**

- Online survey platforms
- Mobile data collection applications
- Sampling bias and error reduction
- Data cleaning and preprocessing
- Case Study: Customer satisfaction survey in telecom industry

## **Module 7: Data Interpretation & Visualization**

- Descriptive and inferential statistics
- Data storytelling techniques
- Visualization tools
- Communication dashboards for decision-making
- Case Study: Media consumption trends dashboard

## **Module 8: Applied Communication Research Projects**

- Designing end-to-end research projects
- Proposal writing and ethical considerations
- Reporting and presenting research findings
- Policy and strategy formulation using data
- Case Study: NGO communication impact assessment project

## Training Methodology

- 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   |
|-------------|-------------|----------|---------|
| 28 Sep 2026 | 02 Oct 2026 | Online   | \$1,000 |

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| 28 Sep 2026 | 02 Oct 2026 | Physical | \$1,500 |
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