Ethics in Qualitative Research 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

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

1. Understand foundational ethical principles in qualitative research.
2. Apply informed consent processes in diverse research contexts.
3. Protect participant privacy, confidentiality, and anonymity.
4. Identify and mitigate researcher bias and power dynamics.
5. Navigate cultural sensitivity and cross-cultural ethics.
6. Implement ethical data management and storage protocols.
7. Evaluate ethical dilemmas and conflicts in qualitative studies.
8. Integrate digital ethics for online qualitative research.
9. Foster participant-centered research practices.
10. Ensure transparency, integrity, and accountability in reporting findings.
11. Design research that meets institutional review board (IRB) and regulatory compliance.
12. Apply case-based ethical decision-making frameworks.
13. Promote sustainable and socially responsible research practices.

Target Audience

1. Academic researchers and scholars
2. Graduate and postgraduate students
3. Social science and behavioral researchers
4. Healthcare and clinical researchers
5. NGO and nonprofit research professionals
6. Policy analysts and evaluators
7. Data analysts and qualitative research consultants
8. Ethics committee and IRB members

Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Ethics in Qualitative Research

- Defining research ethics and its importance
- Historical ethical scandals and lessons learned
- Principles of respect, beneficence, and justice
- Ethical guidelines from leading research organizations

- **Case Study:** The Tuskegee Syphilis Study and ethical implications

Module 2: Informed Consent and Participant Autonomy

- Components of informed consent forms
- Voluntary participation and withdrawal rights
- Communicating research purpose clearly
- Special considerations for vulnerable populations
- **Case Study:** Ethical challenges in pediatric qualitative research

Module 3: Privacy, Confidentiality, and Anonymity

- Techniques for data anonymization
- Secure storage and data encryption methods
- Handling sensitive participant information
- Balancing transparency with confidentiality
- **Case Study:** Maintaining anonymity in mental health interviews

Module 4: Researcher Bias and Power Dynamics

- Identifying personal and cultural biases
- Power relations between researcher and participants
- Reflexivity in qualitative research
- Strategies to reduce bias in data collection
- **Case Study:** Bias mitigation in organizational ethnography

Module 5: Cross-Cultural and Inclusive Ethics

- Respecting cultural norms and values
- Ethical considerations for indigenous populations
- Gender-sensitive and inclusive research practices
- Navigating language and translation issues
- **Case Study:** Ethical dilemmas in international field research

Module 6: Data Management and Digital Ethics

- Secure storage, sharing, and archiving of qualitative data
- Digital privacy and cybersecurity considerations
- Ethical use of social media and online platforms
- Compliance with data protection regulations
- **Case Study:** Ethics in online focus group research

Module 7: Ethical Decision-Making Frameworks

- Identifying and resolving ethical conflicts
- Using structured decision-making tools
- Case-based ethical problem solving
- Stakeholder consultation and risk assessment
- **Case Study:** Ethical dilemmas in ethnographic fieldwork

Module 8: Reporting, Transparency, and Accountability

- Ethical writing and accurate representation of findings

- Avoiding plagiarism and misrepresentation
- Transparent methodology and reflexive reporting
- Preparing for ethical review board submissions
- **Case Study:** Ethics in publishing sensitive qualitative research

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- 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.

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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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