

Leadership Communication for Union Executives Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Master strategic leadership communication in union environments
2. Enhance collective bargaining communication skills
3. Develop high-impact negotiation messaging techniques
4. Strengthen crisis communication and reputation management
5. Build competence in labor relations communication strategy
6. Improve public speaking and persuasive storytelling
7. Apply emotional intelligence in conflict resolution
8. Strengthen stakeholder engagement and advocacy communication
9. Develop digital communication and social media leadership
10. Enhance media relations and press communication skills
11. Master employee engagement and mobilization messaging
12. Build cross-cultural communication competence in unions
13. Strengthen leadership influence and decision communication

Target Audience

1. Union executives and senior representatives
2. Shop stewards and workplace leaders
3. Labor relations officers
4. Employee association leaders
5. HR and industrial relations managers
6. Collective bargaining committee members
7. Advocacy and policy communication officers
8. Emerging union leaders and youth representatives

Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Leadership Communication in Unions

- Principles of effective union leadership messaging
- Role of communication in labor influence

- Communication barriers in industrial relations
- Building trust-based leadership voice
- Aligning messaging with union constitution and values
- **Case Study:** Analysis of successful union mobilization campaign communication strategy during a national strike.

Module 2: Strategic Communication for Collective Bargaining

- Structuring negotiation narratives
- Framing demands effectively
- Power dynamics in negotiation communication
- Message consistency across committees
- Preparing communication briefs for negotiations
- **Case Study:** Collective bargaining success story in public sector wage negotiation.

Module 3: Crisis Communication & Conflict Management

- Managing labor disputes and strikes communication
- De-escalation messaging techniques
- Rapid response communication frameworks
- Reputation protection strategies
- Internal vs external communication alignment
- **Case Study:** Crisis handling during abrupt workforce downsizing negotiations.

Module 4: Public Speaking & Persuasive Leadership

- Voice control and executive presence
- Storytelling for labor advocacy
- Audience engagement strategies
- Speech structuring for union assemblies
- Handling tough questions confidently
- **Case Study:** Union leader addressing mass rally leading to policy revision.

Module 5: Media Relations & Press Communication

- Working with journalists and press conferences
- Crafting press statements and releases
- Interview preparation techniques
- Managing media narratives
- Avoiding communication misinterpretation
- **Case Study:** Media strategy during nationwide labor protest coverage.

Module 6: Digital Communication & Social Media Leadership

- Union branding in digital platforms
- Social media advocacy campaigns
- Managing online reputation
- Digital storytelling techniques
- Cyber communication ethics
- **Case Study:** Viral labor rights campaign on social media influencing policy debate.

Module 7: Emotional Intelligence in Leadership Communication

- Empathy-driven leadership messaging
- Managing emotional tensions in negotiations
- Active listening techniques
- Building psychological safety in dialogue
- Conflict-sensitive communication
- **Case Study:** Resolution of long-standing workplace conflict through mediated dialogue.

Module 8: Stakeholder Engagement & Policy Influence

- Mapping stakeholders in labor ecosystem
- Government and employer communication strategies
- Advocacy communication for policy change
- Coalition-building messaging
- Long-term influence strategies
- **Case Study:** Successful lobbying for improved labor law reforms.

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.

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
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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