Loan Appraisal & Underwriting for Microfinance Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Microfinance & Financial Inclusion	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the principles of loan appraisal and microfinance underwriting.
2. Apply trending techniques for credit risk assessment.
3. Analyze financial statements and cash flow statements of borrowers.
4. Evaluate repayment capacity and debt sustainability.
5. Integrate data-driven tools for borrower scoring and profiling.
6. Apply behavioral analysis in credit decision-making.
7. Design microfinance loan products for diverse client segments.
8. Implement effective collateral evaluation and management practices.
9. Strengthen portfolio monitoring and delinquency control.
10. Assess and mitigate operational and market risks in lending.
11. Ensure regulatory compliance and ethical lending practices.
12. Optimize loan structuring for client affordability and institutional sustainability.
13. Develop actionable frameworks for sustainable microfinance lending programs.

Organizational Benefits

- Improved credit risk management and portfolio performance
- Reduced loan defaults and financial losses
- Enhanced operational efficiency and loan processing speed
- Strengthened compliance with regulatory frameworks
- Increased client satisfaction and trust
- Data-driven decision-making for loan approval
- Optimized product design for client needs
- Enhanced staff capacity in credit assessment and monitoring
- Strengthened institutional sustainability and growth
- Better financial inclusion and community impact

Target Audiences

- Microfinance loan officers and credit analysts
- Branch managers and operations staff
- Risk management and compliance officers
- Finance and accounting teams in microfinance institutions
- Business development and product managers
- Internal auditors and monitoring officers
- Consultants in microfinance and lending practices
- Trainers and capacity-building professionals in financial inclusion

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Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of Loan Appraisal

- Principles and importance of loan appraisal in microfinance
- Key components of borrower assessment
- Trends in credit risk evaluation for micro enterprises
- Understanding client financial behavior
- Methods for preliminary loan eligibility assessment
- Case Study: Successful appraisal of a small enterprise loan

Module 2: Financial Statement Analysis

- Overview of balance sheets, income statements, and cash flow statements
- Analyzing financial ratios for creditworthiness
- Assessing profitability, liquidity, and solvency
- Identifying potential financial red flags
- Evaluating historical performance and trends
- Case Study: Financial analysis of a rural microbusiness

Module 3: Credit Scoring and Borrower Profiling

- Designing credit scoring models for microfinance clients
- Use of alternative data in borrower assessment
- Profiling clients based on repayment capacity
- Integrating behavioral and demographic factors
- Technology-driven borrower scoring tools
- Case Study: Implementing a scoring model for new clients

Module 4: Risk Assessment and Mitigation

- Identifying operational, market, and credit risks
- Techniques to mitigate default and delinquency risks
- Loan portfolio diversification strategies
- Setting loan limits and exposure thresholds
- Monitoring emerging risks in microfinance lending
- Case Study: Risk mitigation strategy for a microloan portfolio

Module 5: Collateral Evaluation and Management

- Understanding collateral types and valuation methods
- Legal and documentation requirements
- Collateral monitoring and management processes
- Integration of collateral in loan structuring
- Ensuring enforceability and recovery mechanisms
- Case Study: Effective collateral assessment for SME lending

Module 6: Loan Structuring and Pricing

- Designing loan terms suitable for client affordability
- Interest rate determination and repayment schedules
- Balancing institutional sustainability with client needs
- Structuring flexible and customized loan products
- Understanding the impact of fees and charges
- Case Study: Structuring a microenterprise loan for profitability

Module 7: Monitoring and Portfolio Management

- Tracking loan performance and repayment patterns
- Early warning systems and delinquency indicators
- Portfolio analysis for risk identification
- Client follow-up and support mechanisms
- Reporting and corrective action processes
- Case Study: Portfolio monitoring improving repayment rates

Module 8: Regulatory Compliance and Ethical Lending

- Legal and regulatory frameworks governing microfinance lending
- Consumer protection and responsible lending principles
- Ethical considerations in appraisal and underwriting
- Internal controls and audit requirements
- Documentation and record-keeping best practices
- Case Study: Compliance integration in loan approval processes

Training Methodology

- Instructor-led presentations and theoretical briefings
- Practical exercises on loan assessment and financial analysis
- Case study discussions for real-world application
- Group workshops on risk evaluation and portfolio management
- Simulations of borrower appraisal and credit decision-making
- Continuous feedback and participant evaluation

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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