

Open Pit Optimization Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand advanced Open Pit Mine Optimization Techniques for maximum profitability.
2. Apply Strategic Mine Planning and Production Scheduling methodologies effectively.
3. Develop expertise in Block Modelling and Resource Estimation.
4. Optimize Haulage Systems and Fleet Management using modern analytics.
5. Implement AI-Driven Mining Optimization and Digital Mining Solutions.
6. Improve Cut-Off Grade Optimization and Ore Control Strategies.
7. Analyze Economic Evaluation and Financial Modelling for mining projects.
8. Integrate Geotechnical Risk Management and Slope Stability Analysis.
9. Utilize Data Analytics and Predictive Modelling in Mining Operations.
10. Apply Sustainable Mining and ESG Best Practices in open pit operations.
11. Enhance Mine-to-Mill Optimization and Operational Efficiency.
12. Evaluate Mining Automation and Smart Mining Technologies.
13. Develop practical solutions through Real-Time Mining Case Studies and Simulation Exercises.

Target Audience

1. Mine Planning Engineers
2. Mining Engineers and Supervisors
3. Geologists and Resource Analysts
4. Production and Operations Managers
5. Mining Consultants and Technical Advisors
6. HSE and Sustainability Professionals
7. Mineral Resource Managers
8. Graduate Engineers and Mining Researchers

Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of Open Pit Mining

- Principles of open pit mining operations
- Mine lifecycle and strategic planning
- Pit limit determination techniques
- Ore reserve classification standards

- Case Study: Large-scale copper open pit operation optimization

Module 2: Geological Modelling and Resource Estimation

- Geological database management
- Block modelling techniques
- Grade interpolation methods
- Resource estimation standards
- Case Study: Gold deposit resource modelling project

Module 3: Pit Optimization Techniques

- Lerchs-Grossmann optimization methods
- Revenue factor analysis
- Pushback design strategies
- Sensitivity and risk analysis
- Case Study: Iron ore pit shell optimization

Module 4: Mine Design and Production Scheduling

- Ultimate pit design principles
- Bench and haul road design
- Long-term and short-term scheduling
- Equipment allocation optimization
- Case Study: Multi-pit production scheduling optimization

Module 5: Economic Evaluation and Cost Optimization

- Mining project cash flow analysis
- Net Present Value (NPV) optimization
- Operating and capital cost modelling
- Break-even and cut-off grade analysis
- Case Study: Economic feasibility assessment of a mining project

Module 6: Geotechnical and Safety Optimization

- Slope stability assessment
- Geotechnical monitoring systems
- Risk-based safety management
- Ground control optimization
- Case Study: Slope failure risk mitigation program

Module 7: Digital Mining and Smart Technologies

- AI applications in mine planning
- Automation and autonomous fleets
- Real-time operational dashboards
- Predictive maintenance systems
- Case Study: Smart mining transformation project

Module 8: Sustainability and ESG in Open Pit Mining

- ESG compliance frameworks

- Environmental impact reduction strategies
- Water and energy management
- Sustainable mine closure planning
- Case Study: Sustainable open pit mining initiative

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

- The participant must be conversant with English.
- Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- 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

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
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