PFM for the Education Sector Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Strengthen financial accountability and transparency in the education sector.
2. Enhance budget planning and fiscal discipline in education financing.
3. Apply results-based budgeting to improve learning outcomes.
4. Improve public expenditure tracking and monitoring of education funds.
5. Strengthen internal control systems and risk management.
6. Build capacity in procurement compliance for education projects.
7. Integrate digital finance systems and education sector PFM reforms.
8. Promote equity and efficiency in education resource allocation.
9. Align PFM frameworks with SDG 4 (Quality Education).
10. Strengthen audit readiness and performance evaluation in education.
11. Enhance stakeholder engagement for education financial governance.
12. Foster anti-corruption mechanisms in public education financing.
13. Apply case-based learning from global education PFM best practices.

Target Audiences

1. Ministry of Education officials
2. Public financial managers
3. Education policy makers
4. University and school administrators
5. Donor agencies and development partners
6. Auditors and compliance officers
7. Procurement specialists in education
8. Civil society and advocacy groups

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to PFM in the Education Sector

- Fundamentals of Public Financial Management
- Key principles of education sector financing
- Challenges in managing education budgets
- Global trends in education financing
- Role of PFM in achieving SDG 4
- *Case Study: Kenya's education PFM reform journey*

Module 2: Budgeting and Fiscal Discipline

- Education budget formulation process
- Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF)
- Fiscal sustainability and deficit management
- Allocating resources for quality learning outcomes
- Monitoring budget execution in education
- *Case Study: Ghana's results-based education budget reforms*

Module 3: Public Expenditure Tracking in Education

- Tracking fund flows to schools and institutions
- Tools for expenditure monitoring
- Community participation in education PFM
- Reporting mechanisms for transparency
- Using data to improve fund allocation
- *Case Study: Uganda's Public Expenditure Tracking Surveys (PETS)*

Module 4: Procurement and Compliance in Education Projects

- Procurement rules and guidelines
- Ensuring competitive and transparent procurement
- Risk management in procurement processes
- Contract management in education projects
- Addressing corruption in procurement
- *Case Study: School construction procurement reforms in Rwanda*

Module 5: Audit and Financial Accountability in Education

- Importance of audits in education financing
- Types of audits (performance, financial, compliance)
- Strengthening audit readiness
- Role of Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs)
- Enhancing accountability through audit reports
- *Case Study: Performance audit of education projects in Tanzania*

Module 6: Digital Finance and PFM Innovations

- Role of ICT in public financial management
- Digital payment systems for schools
- Using dashboards for budget tracking
- Innovations in financial data analytics
- Enhancing efficiency through e-procurement
- *Case Study: E-finance system for schools in South Africa*

Module 7: Results-Based Financing and SDGs

- Linking budgets to education outcomes
- Indicators for measuring education performance
- Financing strategies for SDG 4
- Ensuring equity in results-based financing
- Strengthening monitoring and evaluation systems
- *Case Study: Results-based financing in Latin America's education sector*

Module 8: Strengthening Governance and Stakeholder Engagement

- Role of stakeholders in education PFM
- Enhancing community accountability mechanisms
- Strengthening partnerships with development agencies
- Policy coherence in education financing
- Promoting anti-corruption strategies
- *Case Study: Civil society's role in education PFM in India*

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and expert presentations

- Group discussions and peer-to-peer learning
- Practical case study analysis from global education systems
- Simulation exercises on budgeting and fund tracking
- Digital tools and real-world PFM applications
- Action planning for workplace implementation

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

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