Training Course on Agricultural Finance and Investment Analysis

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Agriculture	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand agricultural finance fundamentals and their impact on farm productivity.
2. Analyze agribusiness investment opportunities using data-driven tools.
3. Apply financial modeling to assess agricultural projects.
4. Evaluate creditworthiness and design loan application strategies.
5. Examine value chain finance mechanisms for inclusive agribusiness.
6. Conduct investment risk analysis in farming and rural development.
7. Develop bankable business plans for agricultural enterprises.
8. Identify and access agricultural credit and financial institutions.
9. Use financial technologies (FinTech) in farm investment and payments.
10. Perform cost-benefit analysis and financial ratios in agriculture.
11. Explore climate-smart investment strategies in agriculture.
12. Assess impact investment metrics for sustainable agriculture.
13. Strengthen skills in agricultural financial statement interpretation.

Target Audiences

1. Agribusiness entrepreneurs
2. Agricultural economists
3. Financial analysts in agriculture
4. Rural development officers
5. Bank loan officers & credit risk assessors
6. Agricultural extension officers
7. Policymakers and planners
8. Donor and NGO program managers

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Agricultural Finance

- Definition and scope
- Role in rural development
- Key financial concepts
- Types of agricultural financing
- Financing institutions overview
- **Case Study**: Financing smallholder farmers in Kenya

Module 2: Agribusiness Investment Appraisal

- Investment vs expenditure
- Time value of money
- NPV, IRR, and Payback Period
- Sensitivity analysis
- Scenario planning
- **Case Study**: Investment appraisal for a dairy processing plant

Module 3: Financial Statement Analysis

- Income statement for farms
- Balance sheets in agriculture
- Cash flow statements
- Key financial ratios
- Common accounting issues
- **Case Study**: Financial diagnosis of a maize farm

Module 4: Access to Agricultural Credit

- Credit markets for farmers
- Loan application process
- Role of collateral
- Microfinance institutions
- Credit guarantees
- **Case Study**: Smallholder credit access through SACCOs

Module 5: Value Chain Finance

- Concept and importance
- Types of value chain financing
- Embedded finance
- Risk-sharing models
- Stakeholder analysis
- **Case Study**: Horticulture value chain in Ethiopia

Module 6: Risk Management in Agriculture

- Types of agricultural risk
- Financial risk tools
- Crop insurance
- Weather-index insurance
- Hedging techniques
- **Case Study**: Risk mitigation strategies in cocoa farming

Module 7: Financial Modeling for Agriculture

- Excel basics for modeling
- Cash flow projections
- Profitability modeling
- Break-even analysis
- Capital budgeting
- **Case Study**: Greenhouse investment projection

Module 8: Budgeting and Planning

- Farm budgeting types
- Enterprise budgets
- Whole-farm budgets
- Partial budgets
- Planning cycles
- **Case Study**: Planning for a poultry enterprise

Module 9: Cost-Benefit and Economic Analysis

- Principles of economic analysis

- Calculating costs and benefits
- Social cost-benefit analysis
- Discounting and compounding
- Decision criteria
- **Case Study**: Irrigation project analysis in Tanzania

Module 10: Agricultural Loan Appraisal

- Loan types and terms
- Risk assessment tools
- Loan pricing
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Loan restructuring
- **Case Study**: Lending to agritech start-ups

Module 11: Financial Inclusion in Agriculture

- Barriers to financial access
- Mobile money and digital banking
- Inclusive financial products
- Gender-sensitive financing
- Policy innovations
- **Case Study**: M-Pesa impact on rural finance in Kenya

Module 12: Climate-Smart Agricultural Investment

- Climate risk in agriculture
- Climate finance sources
- Green investment criteria
- Sustainability metrics
- Resilience planning
- **Case Study**: Solar irrigation financing scheme

Module 13: Impact Investing in Agriculture

- Definition and trends
- Impact vs traditional investing
- Measuring impact
- ESG principles
- Blended finance models
- **Case Study**: Impact investing in organic farming cooperatives

Module 14: Monitoring and Evaluation of Investments

- M&E frameworks
- Financial performance indicators
- Data collection tools
- Impact tracking
- Adaptive management
- **Case Study**: M&E of a donor-funded agroforestry project

Module 15: Developing Bankable Agribusiness Plans

- Business plan structure
- Market analysis
- Operational planning

- Financial forecasts
- Presentation tips
- **Case Study**: Successful avocado export business plan

Training Methodology

- Interactive expert-led presentations
- Hands-on financial modeling exercises
- Real-life agribusiness case studies
- Group discussions and role-plays
- Templates for business plans and financial tools
- Field visits or virtual tours of agricultural finance institutions (if applicable)

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	04 Dec 2026	Online	$2,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000

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23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$9,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000

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