Training Course on Predictive Mapping with AI and ML

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Master the fundamentals of Predictive Geospatial Analytics and its applications.
2. Apply core Machine Learning Algorithms (e.g., Regression, Classification, Clustering) to spatial datasets.
3. Utilize Deep Learning frameworks for advanced Geospatial Feature Extraction and pattern recognition.
4. Implement Time-Series Forecasting techniques on spatial data for dynamic predictions.
5. Develop and Validate robust Predictive Spatial Models for various real-world scenarios.
6. Perform Spatial Data Preprocessing and Feature Engineering for optimal model performance.
7. Leverage cloud-based platforms for scalable GeoAI Model Deployment.
8. Interpret and Visualize complex predictive map outputs for effective communication.
9. Assess model accuracy and identify potential biases in AI-driven Spatial Predictions.
10. Integrate Geographic Information Systems (GIS) with AI/ML workflows for seamless analysis.
11. Apply predictive mapping to solve challenges in Urban Planning, Environmental Monitoring, and Resource Management.
12. Explore emerging trends in Big Data Geospatial Analysis and its impact on predictive mapping.
13. Design and Execute an end-to-end Predictive Mapping Project using real-world data.

Organizational Benefits

- Make proactive, data-driven decisions based on accurate future predictions, leading to improved resource allocation and strategic planning.
- Streamline workflows, reduce inefficiencies, and prevent costly issues by anticipating challenges before they arise.
- Identify and mitigate potential risks by forecasting critical events such as natural disasters, infrastructure failures, or market shifts.
- Gain a leading edge by leveraging advanced analytical capabilities to understand complex spatial patterns and predict market opportunities.
- Foster a culture of innovation by empowering teams with cutting-edge AI/ML skills to develop novel solutions and services.
- Optimize the use of resources (e.g., personnel, equipment, budget) by forecasting demand and identifying areas for improvement.

Target Audience

1. GIS Professionals and Geospatial Analysts
2. Data Scientists and Machine Learning Engineers with an interest in spatial data.
3. Urban Planners and City Managers
4. Environmental Scientists and Conservationists
5. Researchers and Academicians in geography
6. Disaster Management and Emergency Response Personnel
7. Consultants and Decision-Makers in sectors requiring spatial forecasting.
8. Anyone involved in data analysis, mapping, and strategic planning seeking to enhance their predictive capabilities.

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Module 1: Introduction to Predictive Mapping and GeoAI

- Overview of **Predictive Mapping concepts** and its significance.
- Introduction to the intersection of **AI, ML, and Geospatial Science (GeoAI)**.
- Understanding the data landscape: spatial, temporal, and spatiotemporal data.
- Key benefits and challenges of integrating AI/ML into mapping workflows.
- **Case Study**: Predicting wildfire spread patterns using historical fire data and meteorological conditions to inform evacuation routes and resource deployment.

Module 2: Fundamentals of Spatial Data Science

- Review of core GIS concepts: projections, coordinate systems, and spatial data types.
- **Exploratory Spatial Data Analysis (ESDA)**: identifying patterns, outliers, and relationships.
- Introduction to spatial statistics and geostatistical methods.
- Data sources for predictive mapping: satellite imagery, LiDAR, sensor data, open GIS data.
- **Case Study**: Analyzing crime hotspots using historical police reports and demographic data to predict future high-crime areas for targeted policing.

Module 3: Machine Learning Essentials for Spatial Data

- **Supervised Learning**: Regression and Classification for spatial prediction.
- **Unsupervised Learning**: Clustering and Dimensionality Reduction for spatial pattern discovery.
- Feature engineering for geospatial attributes (e.g., proximity, density, connectivity).
- Model selection, training, validation, and testing best practices.
- **Case Study**: Classifying land cover types from satellite imagery using Random Forest for environmental monitoring and urban development planning.

Module 4: Regression Models for Continuous Spatial Prediction

- **Linear Regression** and **Polynomial Regression** in a spatial context.
- **Geographically Weighted Regression (GWR)** for local spatial relationships.
- Dealing with spatial autocorrelation in regression models.
- Performance metrics for regression models: RMSE, MAE, R-squared.
- **Case Study**: Predicting housing prices based on location, property characteristics, and neighborhood amenities using GWR to inform real estate investment.

Module 5: Classification Models for Categorical Spatial Prediction

- **Logistic Regression** for binary spatial outcomes.
- **Decision Trees** and **Random Forests** for spatial classification.

- **Support Vector Machines (SVMs)** for complex spatial boundaries.
- Accuracy assessment for classification: confusion matrix, precision, recall, F1-score.
- **Case Study**: Predicting landslide susceptibility based on geological factors, slope, rainfall, and historical landslide events for hazard mitigation.

Module 6: Advanced ML: Ensemble Methods and Deep Learning for GeoAI

- **Ensemble methods**: Bagging, Boosting (Gradient Boosting, XGBoost) for improved accuracy.
- Introduction to **Neural Networks** and their architecture.
- **Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)** for image-based spatial analysis.
- Transfer learning in geospatial deep learning applications.
- **Case Study**: Detecting changes in urban infrastructure from aerial imagery using CNNs to monitor construction and demolition.

Module 7: Time-Series and Spatiotemporal Forecasting

- Fundamentals of time-series analysis for spatial phenomena.
- ARIMA, Prophet, and other time-series models for forecasting.
- Introduction to **Spatiotemporal Data Mining** and modeling.
- Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) and Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) for sequence prediction.
- **Case Study**: Forecasting air pollution levels across a city using historical sensor data and meteorological conditions, providing early warnings to public health officials.

Module 8: Data Acquisition, Preprocessing, and Feature Engineering for Predictive Mapping

- Techniques for collecting and integrating diverse geospatial datasets.
- Handling missing data, outliers, and data inconsistencies in spatial data.
- **Spatial Feature Engineering**: creating new features from existing geographic data (e.g., buffer zones, slope, aspect, network distances).
- Data normalization, scaling, and transformation for ML algorithms.
- **Case Study**: Preparing satellite imagery and land use data for a crop yield prediction model by cleaning noise and extracting relevant spectral indices.

Module 9: Geospatial Big Data and Cloud-Based Platforms

- Introduction to **Big Data** concepts in a geospatial context.
- Scalable processing of large spatial datasets using frameworks like Apache Spark.
- Leveraging **Cloud GIS Platforms** (e.g., Google Earth Engine, AWS, Azure).
- Distributed computing for training and deploying large-scale predictive models.
- **Case Study**: Analyzing global deforestation patterns using petabytes of satellite imagery on Google Earth Engine to monitor environmental changes.

Module 10: Model Deployment and Operationalization

- Strategies for deploying predictive mapping models into production environments.
- Building APIs for real-time spatial predictions.
- Monitoring model performance and retraining strategies.
- Containerization (Docker) and orchestration (Kubernetes) for scalable deployment.
- **Case Study**: Deploying a real-time traffic prediction model for a city, integrating with navigation apps to provide dynamic routing suggestions.

Module 11: Interpretability and Ethics in GeoAI

- Understanding model interpretability and explainable AI (XAI) in spatial contexts.
- Techniques for visualizing and explaining model predictions (e.g., SHAP, LIME).
- Addressing bias and fairness in spatial data and AI models.
- Ethical considerations in the use of predictive mapping for policy and decision-making.
- **Case Study**: Examining potential biases in a predictive policing model and discussing strategies to ensure fair and equitable outcomes for different communities.

Module 12: Advanced Visualization of Predictive Maps

- Techniques for creating compelling and informative predictive map visualizations.
- Interactive mapping tools and dashboards for exploring forecast data.
- Communicating uncertainty and confidence in spatial predictions.
- Storytelling with maps: effectively presenting predictive insights to diverse audiences.
- **Case Study**: Developing an interactive dashboard to visualize predicted climate change impacts (e.g., sea-level rise, temperature anomalies) on coastal communities.

Module 13: Predictive Mapping for Smart Cities and Urban Planning

- Applications of predictive mapping in urban infrastructure management.
- Forecasting population growth, urban expansion, and resource demand.
- Optimizing public services (e.g., waste collection, emergency response).
- Smart transportation and traffic flow prediction.
- **Case Study**: Predicting future energy consumption in urban areas based on building characteristics, weather patterns, and socio-economic data to inform energy infrastructure planning.

Module 14: Predictive Mapping in Environmental and Resource Management

- Monitoring and predicting natural hazards
- Forecasting agricultural yield and crop health.
- Optimizing natural resource allocation and conservation efforts.
- Predicting species distribution and biodiversity changes.
- **Case Study**: Predicting the spread of invasive species using environmental data, historical invasion patterns, and climate models to inform mitigation strategies.

Module 15: Capstone Project: End-to-End Predictive Mapping

- Participants will work on a self-selected or instructor-provided predictive mapping project.
- Define a problem, acquire and preprocess data, select appropriate models.
- Train, validate, and evaluate their predictive spatial model.
- Visualize and interpret the results, identifying key insights and limitations.
- **Case Study**: Develop a predictive model to forecast future demand for public transport services in a specific urban zone based on demographic shifts, urban development plans, and historical ridership data.

Training Methodology

Our training methodology for "Predictive Mapping with AI and ML" is highly **interactive**, **hands-on**, and **project-based**, ensuring participants gain practical, real-world skills.

- **Interactive Lectures & Discussions**: Core concepts are introduced through engaging lectures, followed by interactive discussions to foster deeper understanding and critical

thinking.

- **Hands-on Labs & Coding Sessions**: A significant portion of the course involves practical exercises using industry-standard tools and programming languages (primarily Python with libraries like GeoPandas, Scikit-learn, TensorFlow, Keras, and Folium). Participants will write and execute code to build and apply predictive models.
- **Real-World Case Studies**.
- **Group Activities & Collaboration**
- **Project-Based Learning**.
- **Expert-Led Instruction**.
- **Q&A and Troubleshooting S**

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
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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