

Advanced Victim Advocacy and Rights Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

Victim advocacy is a crucial field that ensures victims of crime receive the justice, support, and resources they deserve. Training Course on Advanced Victim Advocacy & Rights is designed for professionals seeking to deepen their understanding of victim rights, trauma-informed care, legal processes, crisis intervention, and multidisciplinary collaboration. This intensive course combines theoretical insights with practical case studies to empower participants with tools to advocate effectively for victims within the criminal justice system, healthcare, and social services. Through evidence-based practices and updated policy frameworks, this training supports the delivery of compassionate, culturally sensitive, and legally sound advocacy services.

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Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Develop advanced knowledge of victim rights and legal protections.
2. Apply trauma-informed advocacy strategies in crisis situations.
3. Analyze current policy frameworks and propose improvements.
4. Evaluate intersectionality in victim experiences and advocacy.
5. Facilitate coordinated response with multidisciplinary teams.
6. Deliver courtroom advocacy and victim impact statement preparation.
7. Understand victim compensation programs and support access.
8. Identify and respond to the needs of vulnerable and marginalized victims.
9. Promote restorative justice and community-based advocacy.
10. Apply ethical principles and confidentiality in victim services.
11. Build community outreach and prevention strategies.
12. Leverage digital tools and online platforms in victim support.
13. Engage in self-care and vicarious trauma prevention techniques.

Target Audiences

1. Victim advocates
2. Law enforcement professionals
3. Social workers
4. Legal professionals and prosecutors
5. Crisis response coordinators
6. Mental health counselors
7. Human rights defenders
8. Non-profit and NGO staff in justice and advocacy sectors

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Course Modules

Module 1: Victim Rights & Legal Protections

- Constitutional and statutory rights of crime victims
- Victim Rights Acts and compliance mechanisms
- Navigating criminal justice processes with victims
- Rights in sentencing, parole, and restitution
- Accessing civil legal remedies for victims
- **Case Study:** Enforcing Marsy's Law in a domestic violence case

Module 2: Trauma-Informed Advocacy

- Principles of trauma-informed care
- Recognizing trauma responses in diverse populations
- Avoiding re-traumatization in service delivery

- Building survivor trust and empowerment
- Role of empathy and active listening
- **Case Study:** Sexual assault survivor advocacy protocol

Module 3: Crisis Response & Intervention

- Immediate response strategies during trauma
- Safety planning and resource navigation
- Hotline management and rapid response
- Risk assessment and lethality indicators
- Inter-agency emergency response coordination
- **Case Study:** Human trafficking crisis intervention

Module 4: Courtroom & Legal Advocacy

- Preparing victims for court testimony
- Victim impact statements and restitution advocacy
- Working with prosecutors and law enforcement
- Addressing secondary victimization in court
- Courtroom accompaniment techniques
- **Case Study:** Supporting a minor in a child abuse trial

Module 5: Advocacy for Marginalized Victims

- Cultural humility and intersectional advocacy
- Serving LGBTQ+, immigrant, disabled, and rural victims
- Language access and culturally specific programs
- Barriers to reporting and justice
- Inclusive advocacy practices and outreach
- **Case Study:** Culturally appropriate response to a hate crime

Module 6: Victim Compensation & Resource Navigation

- State and national victim compensation systems
- Application process and common challenges
- Partnering with financial aid and support agencies
- Housing, counseling, and relocation assistance
- Policy advocacy to improve access to compensation
- **Case Study:** Supporting a robbery survivor through compensation

Module 7: Restorative & Community-Based Justice

- Principles and models of restorative justice
- Community circles and victim-offender dialogue
- Voluntary participation and safety considerations
- Rebuilding community trust and accountability
- Evaluating program outcomes and survivor feedback
- **Case Study:** Restorative justice for youth offender burglary case

Module 8: Preventing Vicarious Trauma & Burnout

- Recognizing signs of vicarious trauma
- Building resilience in advocacy roles
- Self-care strategies for long-term sustainability
- Supervision and team support systems
- Ethics of care in high-trauma work

- **Case Study:** Managing burnout among sexual assault responders

Training Methodology

- Interactive case-based learning
- Expert-led webinars and presentations
- Group discussions and peer reflections
- Role-plays and courtroom simulations
- Applied learning through scenario analysis
- Digital access to resource toolkit and templates

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
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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