

Geospatial Visualization with Game Engines (Unity, Unreal Engine) Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	GIS	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 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 Geospatial Data Integration into Unity and Unreal Engine.
2. Develop Interactive 3D Environments using real-world geographic data.
3. Optimize Scene Performance for large-scale geospatial datasets.
4. Implement Advanced Rendering Techniques for photorealistic visualization.
5. Create Custom Materials and Shaders for diverse terrain and urban features.
6. Design Immersive User Experiences with VR/AR integration.
7. Build Dynamic Simulations leveraging game engine physics.
8. Automate Geospatial Workflows using scripting (C#, Blueprints).
9. Utilize Digital Twin Concepts for real-time asset management.
10. Apply Game Engine Principles to urban planning and infrastructure development.
11. Conduct Spatial Analysis within interactive game engine environments.
12. Develop Cross-Platform Geospatial Applications.
13. Showcase Geospatial Insights through compelling interactive narratives.

Organizational Benefits

- Visualize complex spatial data in intuitive, immersive ways, leading to better-informed strategic decisions.
- Facilitate clearer understanding of geospatial projects among diverse stakeholders through interactive 3D models.
- Streamline planning, design, and analysis processes by simulating real-world scenarios in a virtual environment.
- Adopt cutting-edge technology to stand out in the market and offer innovative solutions.

- Create **digital twins** of assets and infrastructure for real-time monitoring and predictive maintenance.
- Develop realistic training simulations for various operational scenarios, reducing risks and costs.
- Explore opportunities in **VR/AR development, serious games, and interactive geospatial applications**.
- Foster a culture of technological adoption and creative problem-solving within the organization.

Target Audience

1. GIS Analysts & Specialists
2. Urban Planners & Architects.
3. Environmental Scientists & Researchers
4. Civil Engineers & Infrastructure Developers.
5. Game Developers
6. Data Scientists & Visualization Experts
7. Emergency Management & Disaster Response Personnel.
8. Academics & Educators

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Module 1: Introduction to Geospatial Game Engine Integration

- Understanding the **convergence of GIS and Game Engines**.
- Overview of **Unity and Unreal Engine** capabilities for geospatial.
- Key concepts: **coordinate systems, projections, and georeferencing** in 3D environments.
- Exploring common **geospatial data formats** (e.g., GeoJSON, Shapefile, LiDAR, BIM).
- **Case Study:** Visualizing satellite imagery and terrain data in a game engine for urban sprawl analysis.

Module 2: Geospatial Data Import & Preparation

- Techniques for **importing elevation data** (DEM, DTM) and **orthophotos**.
- Processing **vector data** (buildings, roads, land use) for game engine use.
- Working with **3D city models and BIM data** (e.g., CityEngine, Revit exports).
- Data optimization strategies: **LODs, instancing, and texture atlasing**.
- **Case Study:** Preparing OpenStreetMap data for an interactive city walkthrough simulation.

Module 3: Building Realistic Terrains & Environments

- Creating and sculpting **large-scale terrains** from real-world data.
- Applying **realistic materials and textures** to landscapes.
- Integrating **vegetation, water bodies, and other natural elements**.
- **Atmospheric effects:** sky, fog, clouds, and time-of-day systems.
- **Case Study:** Developing a detailed environmental simulation for ecological impact assessment in a national park.

Module 4: Urban Modeling & Infrastructure Visualization

- Techniques for importing and visualizing **3D building models**.
- **Procedural generation** of urban elements using plugins/scripts.
- Modeling and visualizing **transportation networks** (roads, railways, airports).

- Integrating **utility networks** and underground infrastructure.
- **Case Study:** Creating a **digital twin** of a smart city district for urban development planning and energy analysis.

Module 5: Interactive Elements & User Interface (UI)

- Implementing **first-person and third-person navigation controls**.
- Designing **interactive UI elements** for data querying and visualization toggles.
- Adding **animations** for dynamic content (e.g., traffic flow, changing weather).
- Scripting basic **interactions** with geospatial features (e.g., clicking on a building to display data).
- **Case Study:** Developing an interactive virtual tour of a proposed infrastructure project with clickable information points.

Module 6: Advanced Rendering & Optimization

- **Lighting techniques:** global illumination, real-time lighting, baked lighting.
- **Post-processing effects** for enhanced visual fidelity.
- **Performance profiling** and optimization for large-scale scenes.
- Strategies for **streaming geospatial data** efficiently.
- **Case Study:** Optimizing a detailed virtual city model for smooth performance on consumer-grade hardware.

Module 7: VR/AR Integration & Immersive Experiences

- Setting up **VR environments** for immersive geospatial exploration.
- Developing **AR applications** to overlay geospatial data onto the real world.
- Designing **intuitive VR/AR interactions** for spatial analysis.
- Best practices for **XR content creation** in geospatial contexts.
- **Case Study:** Building an AR application for field workers to visualize underground utilities in real-time.

Module 8: Geospatial Simulations & Storytelling

- Implementing **physics-based simulations** (e.g., flood modeling, pedestrian flow).
- Integrating **real-time sensor data** into game engine environments.
- Creating **cinematic sequences** and guided tours of geospatial data.
- Developing compelling **narratives** around spatial insights.
- **Case Study:** Simulating a disaster response scenario (e.g., wildfire spread) and visualizing real-time operational data.

Training Methodology

This course employs a highly **practical and hands-on** training methodology, blending theoretical concepts with extensive practical exercises.

- **Instructor-Led Sessions:** Interactive lectures and demonstrations.
- **Hands-on Workshops:** Participants will work on practical exercises using Unity and Unreal Engine.
- **Real-World Case Studies:** Application of learned concepts to industry-relevant scenarios.
- **Project-Based Learning:** A culminating project where participants develop their own geospatial visualization.
- **Interactive Discussions:** Fostering peer-to-peer learning and problem-solving.

- **Expert Feedback:** Personalized guidance and critique from experienced instructors.
- **Resource Sharing:** Access to course materials, code samples, and relevant documentation.

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
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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