

Statistical Methods for Public Sector Research 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. Apply descriptive and inferential statistics in public sector research.
2. Utilize data-driven decision-making for evidence-based policymaking.
3. Conduct survey sampling techniques for reliable public opinion research.
4. Implement regression and correlation analysis in public administration.
5. Employ time-series forecasting for public sector planning.
6. Integrate statistical software tools (SPSS, STATA, R) into analysis.
7. Enhance monitoring and evaluation (M&E) with statistical evidence.
8. Apply multivariate analysis to complex government datasets.
9. Improve data visualization for public policy communication.
10. Use predictive analytics to anticipate governance challenges.
11. Apply hypothesis testing for program evaluation.
12. Leverage big data analytics for development research.
13. Strengthen statistical reporting for accountability and transparency.

Target Audience

1. Government researchers and statisticians
2. Policy analysts and public administrators
3. Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) specialists
4. NGO and development practitioners
5. Academic researchers in social sciences
6. Data analysts in public institutions
7. Audit and accountability professionals
8. International organization staff and consultants

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Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of Statistical Methods in Public Sector Research

- Understanding the role of statistics in governance
- Descriptive vs inferential statistics
- Types of data and variables in public research
- Importance of ethical data collection
- Key statistical tools for government applications
- **Case Study: Using statistics to evaluate healthcare access**

Module 2: Data Collection & Survey Sampling Techniques

- Designing surveys for reliable public data
- Random sampling and stratification methods
- Avoiding bias in public sector surveys
- Data quality management in large datasets
- Tools for managing survey research
- **Case Study: National census and sampling challenges**

Module 3: Regression and Correlation Analysis for Public Policy

- Simple and multiple regression applications
- Correlation and causality in governance research
- Modeling relationships between policy variables
- Identifying policy predictors with regression
- Software-based regression analysis (SPSS/STATA)
- **Case Study: Regression analysis of education vs poverty reduction**

Module 4: Time-Series and Forecasting Techniques

- Basics of time-series data in governance
- Forecasting economic and social indicators
- Trend and seasonality in government data
- ARIMA models and forecasting tools
- Predictive insights for policy planning
- **Case Study: Forecasting unemployment rates in public policy**

Module 5: Hypothesis Testing and Inferential Statistics

- Understanding hypothesis testing in public research
- Confidence intervals and probability theory
- T-tests, ANOVA, and chi-square applications
- Decision-making with inferential statistics
- Avoiding errors in public policy interpretation
- **Case Study: Hypothesis testing in anti-corruption programs**

Module 6: Multivariate Analysis for Complex Data

- Factor analysis in social research
- Cluster analysis in policy segmentation
- Principal Component Analysis (PCA) applications
- Handling multidimensional public datasets
- Interpretation of multivariate outputs
- **Case Study: Multivariate analysis of poverty indicators**

Module 7: Data Visualization and Reporting for Policymakers

- Effective use of charts and graphs in research
- Storytelling with data for policy impact
- Tools for data visualization (Tableau, R, Power BI)
- Communicating findings to non-technical audiences
- Reporting standards for public institutions
- **Case Study: Data visualization of COVID-19 public responses**

Module 8: Statistical Software Tools for Public Sector Applications

- Introduction to SPSS, STATA, and R
- Data cleaning and preparation techniques
- Running advanced models using software
- Comparative strengths of each tool
- Integrating software into public research projects
- **Case Study: Using R for analyzing government expenditure data**

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures with real-world examples

- Practical exercises using statistical software (SPSS, STATA, R)
- Group discussions and peer learning sessions
- Case study analysis of public sector applications
- Hands-on projects with government datasets
- Continuous assessment through applied research tasks

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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