

Training Course on Contract Management in Educational Institutions

Professional Development Training Course Outline

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

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the contract lifecycle management process in educational institutions.
2. Analyze legal and regulatory compliance in school contracts.
3. Learn best practices for vendor selection and negotiation.
4. Develop skills for contract drafting and review.
5. Use digital tools for contract tracking and automation.
6. Implement risk mitigation strategies in contractual agreements.
7. Evaluate contract performance and vendor accountability.
8. Explore public procurement laws in the education sector.
9. Integrate financial planning with contract obligations.
10. Manage construction and facilities contracts in institutions.
11. Prevent and handle contract disputes and breaches.
12. Create effective contract templates and checklists.
13. Learn how to implement ethical and sustainable contracting practices.

Target Audiences:

1. School administrators
2. University procurement officers
3. Education finance managers
4. School board members
5. Legal advisors in education
6. Operations managers in institutions
7. Construction project managers
8. Nonprofit educational organization staff

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Contract Management in Education

- Overview of contract types in education
- Key terminology and principles
- Importance of proper documentation
- Legal frameworks in contract development
- Common risks in educational contracts
- **Case Study:** Failed IT services contract in a public school district

Module 2: Contract Drafting and Review Techniques

- Essential clauses in school contracts
- Review checklist for education agreements
- Contract writing dos and don'ts

- Approval workflows and document retention
- Working with legal counsel
- **Case Study:** Misinterpretation in a textbook supply agreement

Module 3: Vendor Selection and Procurement Compliance

- Procurement planning and needs analysis
- RFP and RFQ processes
- Bid evaluation and selection criteria
- Ethical vendor engagement practices
- Recordkeeping and transparency
- **Case Study:** Bid rigging incident in a school lunch program

Module 4: Contract Negotiation Strategies

- Preparing for negotiation
- Balancing institutional needs and vendor terms
- Negotiating timelines, payments, and penalties
- Role-playing negotiation scenarios
- Cross-cultural and international contracts
- **Case Study:** Multi-party contract negotiation for a school construction project

Module 5: Risk Management in Contracting

- Identifying and categorizing risks
- Legal risk and indemnity clauses
- Force majeure and contingency planning
- Building risk mitigation frameworks
- Insurance and bonding
- **Case Study:** Construction delay due to unanticipated environmental hazards

Module 6: Contract Monitoring and Performance Evaluation

- Setting KPIs and deliverables
- Monitoring contractor performance
- Handling contract amendments
- Documenting and reporting issues
- Enforcing penalties for non-performance
- **Case Study:** Monitoring challenges in a remote learning platform rollout

Module 7: Handling Disputes and Contract Termination

- Early warning signs of contract failure
- Conflict resolution strategies
- Legal remedies and arbitration
- Exit clauses and post-termination responsibilities
- Best practices for contract closure
- **Case Study:** Arbitration outcome from a university partnership dispute

Module 8: Digital Tools and Future Trends in Contract Management

- Overview of contract management software
- Automation and AI in contract lifecycle
- Blockchain in secure contracts
- Integrating with ERP systems
- Future-proofing contract strategy

- **Case Study:** Implementation of digital contract systems in a university

Training Methodology

- Instructor-led interactive sessions
- Case study analysis and group activities
- Hands-on contract drafting exercises
- Use of templates and software demos
- Peer-to-peer learning through breakout groups
- Assessment through quizzes and action plans

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 CenterANCY LD account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$1,000
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
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