COURSE SYLLABUS

AI Governance & Oversight Course (Self-Paced)

Participants will engage in case studies, policy analysis, and hands-on exercises focused on establishing governance structures, managing cross-functional risks, overseeing third-party solutions, and responding to evolving legal and ethical requirements. The course emphasizes actionable strategies for embedding AI governance into agency policies, procurement, and daily operations.

> Group classes (Live Online) and onsite training are available for this course. For more information, email onsite@graduateschool.edu or visit: https://www.graduateschool.edu/courses/ai-governance-oversight-course-self-paced



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Course Outline

Foundations of AI Governance

- Defining AI governance and its importance in government agencies
- Core principles: accountability, transparency, risk management, compliance

Government Policy Landscape

- NIST AI Risk Management Framework (AI RMF)
- OMB, GAO, and EO guidance on AI governance
- International standards and cross-border considerations

Designing AI Governance Structures

- Roles and responsibilities (e.g., CDAO, Chief Data/AI Officers, program managers)
- Establishing policies, charters, and oversight committees
- Governance for agency-developed vs. third-party/vendor solutions

Lifecycle Oversight and Risk Management

Approaches for monitoring AI systems throughout their lifecycle

Procurement, Vendor Management, and Third-Party Risk

- Integrating governance into procurement and contracting
- Evaluating vendor compliance and risk posture
- Data sharing, interoperability, and documentation standards

Legal, Ethical, and Societal Challenges

Navigating legal frameworks (privacy, civil rights, liability)

Maturity Models and Continuous Improvement

- Assessing and advancing AI governance maturity
- Tools for self-assessment and external audit

Action Planning

Steps to building or strengthening an AI governance program in your agency