Course 101

Advancing Women’s Land and Resource Rights

Explore evidence and practice on what works to advance women’s land and resource rights with this intensive course, run by the expert practitioners at Resource Equity, and gain a micro-credential certification endorsed by key land sector actors in global development.

Course Snapshot

Deep dive
10 weeks focused entirely on women’s land and resource rights.

Lead by experts
Lead by expert practitioners on women’s land and resource rights with decades of experience globally.

Global focus
Learn from the experience of others from all over the world. Open to applicants globally (translation and interpretation available).

Accessible to under-served groups
Full or partial scholarships available and priority given to people of disadvantaged groups; entire course run online; translation and interpretation available.

Micro-credential
Endorsed by key actors in the land and women’s rights sectors.

Engage with other change makers
Small group size. Structured opportunities to interact with others working at the forefront of change.

Peer network
Be part of network of practitioners from around the world.

Course Commitment
100% Online. 90 minutes a week for 10 weeks
Course Overview
This is a course focused on practical learning for people who want to:
- Design and deliver programs and policies that advance women’s rights to land and resources and address gender inequality.
- Avoid unintended and harmful consequences of gender-neutral thinking in land/resource laws, policies, and programs.

Analyze issues
Comprehensively identify and categorize legal, social and technical issues related to women’s land tenure security.

Know what has worked
Understand existing evidence on what has worked (and what has not worked) to strengthen women’s rights in practice, and how it applies to real world challenges.

Understand what could work
Share and learn what could work for promoting and protecting women’s rights to land by understanding promising and emerging practices to address gender and land challenges.

Design creative approaches
Draw from diverse sources to create policy and programs that equally serve women’s and men’s interests and needs from land and resource reforms.

Course Topics
- Women’s Land and Resources rights: A Conceptual Framework
- Legal and Policy Issues: How to Look for and Identify Barriers Beyond a Right to Inherit and Joint Ownership of Marital Property
- Gender Issues Related to Collective Tenure vs. Individual Tenure
- Barriers and Opportunities for Women in Resource Governance
- Situational Assessments: What to Look for and What to Red Flag
- How to Find and Use Research to Support Legal and Policy Arguments
- What Common Barriers to Women’s Participation Should be Addressed in Every Intervention
- Customary Tenure, Indigenous Peoples Rights, and Identifying and Addressing Gender Specific Issues
- Addressing Gender and Land Rights Issues in Development Projects Where Land Is Not the Primary Focus (i.e. climate change, conservation, extractives, gender-based violence, and agricultural and rural development).

Course participants
- National and regional NGOs working on women’s land rights, women’s rights, land rights, resource governance, women’s economic empowerment, etc.
- International NGOs working on women’s land rights, women’s rights, land rights, resource governance, women’s economic empowerment, etc.
- Government agencies/departments (e.g. those working on land, gender, family, climate change, environment, indigenous rights).
- Program officers or Grantees from donor agencies and philanthropy organizations with strategies that touch on women’s land rights, women’s rights, land rights, resource governance, women’s economic empowerment, etc.
- Gender focal points on large land and resource related projects.

For further information on the Resource Equity Institute see www.resourceequity.org or email institute@resourceequity.org or start your application here.