

AI Capability Framework Application Handbook — Executive Summary

A Practical Method for Designing Responsible, Innovative, and Future-Ready AI Courses

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Purpose of this Handbook

This Handbook provides a **practical, step-by-step method** for transforming the *CloudPedagogy AI Capability Framework (2026 Edition)* into fully designed, engaging AI-enabled courses.

It connects three layers:

Framework (theory) → Handbook (method) → Courses (practice)

It exists to help educators, NGOs, public sector teams, and HE institutions build **safe, responsible, and creative AI capability at scale**.

The Six Domains at a Glance

1. Awareness & Orientation

AI literacy, accuracy checks, recognising hallucinations and misinformation.

2. Human–AI Co-Agency

Clear workflows, role boundaries, and human-in-the-loop design.

3. Generative Practice & Innovation

Prototyping, creative experimentation, scenario exploration.

4. Ethics, Equity & Impact

Bias mitigation, harm avoidance, inclusion, transparency.

5. Decision-Making & Governance

Oversight, documentation, escalation protocols, accountability.

6. Reflection, Learning & Renewal

Feedback loops, reflective practice, continual improvement.

These domains work as an **integrated capability system**, not isolated skills.

The Universal 7-Step Application Method

A simple, replicable method for designing responsible and practical AI courses.

1. Define the purpose & learner needs

Identify real-world problems and capability gaps.

2. Identify real-world use cases & risks

Select 3–6 tasks where AI can assist.

3. Map use cases to the Six Domains

Align domain logic to real practice.

4. Translate domains into practical modules

Six modules, each grounded in one domain.

5. Use the universal lesson structure

3 applied lessons + 1 activity + 1 downloadable per module.

6. Build cross-domain links

Ensure ethics, governance, co-agency, and reflection flow through every module.

7. Validate using the AI Capability Checklist

Confirm the course is practical, responsible, and aligned to the Framework.

Worked Example: Climate Change & Sustainability

The Handbook demonstrates the full application method through a complete course example.

Modules:

- M1: Understanding Climate Information with GenAI
- M2: Co-Writing Climate Communications with AI
- M3: Prototyping Climate Engagement Materials
- M4: Ethical & Just Climate AI Practice
- M5: AI Governance in Climate Workflows
- M6: Reflective AI Practice for Climate Action

Why climate?

- Universal relevance
- Clear, intuitive mapping to all six domains
- Strong public engagement need
- Direct risks of misinformation
- Safe, pedagogically clean example

The example illustrates how any domain—health, humanitarian action, research, policy—can be built using the same method.

Tools & Templates Included

The Handbook provides fillable tools for instant application:

- Six-Domain Course Builder
- Lesson Designer Template
- Ethical & Equity Checklist
- Human–AI Co-Agency Workflow Template
- Governance Log Template
- Reflection Cycle Worksheet
- Prompt Library for Course Designers
- Visual Framework → Course Mapping Diagrams

These ensure **consistency, quality, and responsibility** across all courses.

Intended Uses

This Handbook is designed for:

- educators creating AI-enabled teaching materials
- NGOs building AI literacy for field teams
- public health and climate communication units
- digital education teams in higher education
- organisational capability-building initiatives
- internal training and governance groups
- course creators using CloudPedagogy templates

It supports both **individual designers** and **institution-wide adoption**.

The CloudPedagogy Ecosystem

This Handbook forms part of a connected suite:

- **AI Capability Framework (2026 Edition)**
- **Application Handbook (this)**
- **Universal AI Practice Workbook**
- **Prompt Design Toolkit**
- **Governance & Ethics Templates**
- **Reflection Toolkit**
- **Free and Paid CloudPedagogy Courses**

Together, they create a scalable, ethical, and innovative capability system.

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Closing Message

The AI Capability Framework Application Handbook is designed to help educators, practitioners, and organisations move beyond “tool training” toward **mature, ethical, creative AI capability**.

By using the Framework and the Universal Method, anyone can design courses that are:

- practical
- responsible
- innovative
- engaging
- aligned with public-good values

This Executive Summary captures the essence.

For full templates, examples, and methodology, refer to the complete 35-page Handbook.