

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.
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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.