# **SEO Learning Guidelines**

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#### **Module 1: Introduction to SEO**

- 1. What is SEO?
  - o Definition and importance.
  - How search engines work.
  - o Difference between organic and paid search.
- 2. SEO Terminologies
  - Keywords, SERPs, backlinks, meta tags, anchor text, etc.
- 3. Understanding Search Engine Algorithms
  - o Brief on algorithms like Google's PageRank, Panda, Penguin, and others.
  - Emphasis on E-A-T (Expertise, Authoritativeness, Trustworthiness).

### **Module 2: Keyword Research**

- 1. What are Keywords?
  - Types: Short-tail, long-tail, LSI (Latent Semantic Indexing) keywords.
  - o Tools for Keyword Research
  - Free tools: Google Keyword Planner, Ubersuggest, Google Trends.
  - o Paid tools: Ahrefs, SEMrush, Moz Keyword Explorer.
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- 3. Choosing the Right Keywords
  - Search intent: Navigational, informational, transactional.
  - Keyword difficulty and search volume.
  - Focus on primary and secondary keywords for content strategy.
- 4. Competitor Analysis
  - Analyzing competitor keywords and ranking pages.
  - Using tools like SEMrush or Ahrefs for detailed insights.

### Module 3: On-Page SEO

- 1. Content Optimization
  - Writing high-quality, user-focused, and engaging content.
  - Keyword placement: Title, headings (H1-H6), meta description, and body.
  - Optimizing images: Alt text, captions, and file names.
- 2. URL Structure
  - Use short, descriptive, and keyword-rich URLs.
- 3. Meta Tags
  - Writing compelling meta titles and descriptions for click-through rates (CTR).

- 4. Internal Linking
  - Importance of internal links for navigation and SEO.
  - Best practices for anchor text and linking structure.
- 5. Mobile Responsiveness
  - Ensure content is mobile-friendly.
  - Use Google's Mobile-Friendly Test tool.

#### **Module 4: Technical SEO**

- 1. Website Speed Optimization
  - o Tools to check speed: Google PageSpeed Insights, GTmetrix.
  - Reduce image sizes, use caching, and enable compression.
- 2. Crawling and Indexing
  - Understand robots.txt and XML sitemaps.
  - Using Google Search Console to monitor indexing.
- 3. Structured Data and Schema Markup
  - What is schema markup and its importance?
  - o Tools: Google's Structured Data Markup Helper.
- 4. Fixing Technical Errors
  - 404 errors, broken links, duplicate content, etc.

## **Module 5: Off-Page SEO**

- 1. Backlink Building
  - o Importance of high-quality backlinks.
  - Strategies: Guest posting, outreach, broken link building, and PR.
- 2. Social Media Signals
  - Role of social media in driving traffic.
  - Sharing content and engaging with your audience.
- 3. Local SEO (if applicable)
  - Optimizing for local searches using Google My Business (GMB).
  - NAP (Name, Address, Phone) consistency and local citations.

## **Module 6: Content Marketing for SEO**

- 1. Content Types
  - Blog posts, videos, infographics, case studies, etc.
- 2. Content Promotion
  - Use social media, email marketing, and forums to share content.
- 3. Repurposing Content
  - Convert articles into videos, podcasts, or infographics.

### **Module 7: Analytics and Performance Measurement**

- 1. Google Analytics Basics
  - Setting up and monitoring website performance.

- Tracking key metrics: Bounce rate, session duration, conversions.
- 2. Google Search Console
  - Analyze search performance, clicks, impressions, and CTR.
  - Identify and fix issues flagged by GSC.
- 3. SEO KPIs
  - o Organic traffic, keyword rankings, domain authority (DA), etc.

### **Module 8: Advanced SEO Techniques**

- 1. Voice Search Optimization
  - How to optimize for voice search and featured snippets.
- 2. Video SEO
  - Optimizing video titles, descriptions, and thumbnails.
  - Using YouTube SEO techniques.
- 3. AI and SEO
  - o Impact of AI-driven tools and algorithms like ChatGPT and Bard.
  - Emphasis on user-focused content for staying ahead.

#### **Module 9: SEO Tools and Resources**

- 1. Popular SEO Tools
  - o Ahrefs, SEMrush, Moz, Screaming Frog, etc.
- 2. Plugins for WordPress SEO
  - Yoast SEO, RankMath.
- 3. Staying Updated
  - Follow blogs like Moz, Neil Patel, Search Engine Journal, and Google's Webmaster Central Blog.

#### **Module 10: Practice and Real-World Applications**

- 1. SEO Audits
  - Conduct complete SEO audits of sample websites.
- 2. Case Studies
  - Analyze successful SEO strategies from real-world examples.
- 3. Hands-On Practice
  - Assign tasks like keyword research, optimizing sample pages, and creating reports.
- 4. Mock Campaigns
  - $\circ\quad$  Design a full-fledged SEO campaign, including strategy, implementation, and analysis.!