

SYLLABUS

# Strength Training for Women

Duration: 5 Days (Total: 20 Hours)

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### **1.0 Course Overview**

This empowering module introduces women to the science and strategy of **strength training**, covering proper form, programming, recovery, and mindset to help them feel strong, capable, and in control of their fitness journey.

### 2.0 Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Understand how strength training benefits women at all life stages
- Perform key compound movements with correct form
- Design beginner-to-intermediate strength programs
- Align training with goals like muscle tone, fat loss, or performance
- Build confidence in the gym or at home with progressive strength routines

# 3.0 Training Methodology

- Movement Demos and Practice Sets
- Strength Log Sheets and Goal Mapping
- Bodyweight to Barbell Progressions
- Myth-Busting Discussions
- Reflective Mindset Journaling

# 4.0 The Benefits of Strength Training for Women (3 Hours)

# Objectives:

• Learn how lifting improves health, physique, and confidence

### **Topics Covered**:

- Physical Benefits: Muscle Tone, Bone Density, Fat Loss
- Metabolic Boosting and Hormonal Balance
- Mental Health and Empowerment
- Common Myths (e.g., "bulking up")

### **Activities**:

- Task: List personal motivators for getting stronger
- Group Discussion: Top myths that hold women back
- Worksheet: Health benefits of resistance training

## 5.0 Anatomy, Hormones, and Strength Training Myths (3 Hours)

# Objectives:

• Understand how a woman's body responds to resistance training

# **Topics Covered**:

- Female Physiology: Muscles, Bones, and Joint Considerations
- The Role of Estrogen and Strength Retention
- Strength Training at Different Ages (Teens to Post-Menopause)
- Myth-Busting: Spot Reduction, "Toning," and Weight Gain

### **Activities**:

- Task: Match myths to facts
- Group Activity: Design an age-friendly training week
- Reflection: What belief about lifting am I ready to let go of?

## 6.0 Core Lifts, Techniques, and Program Design (4 Hours)

## **Objectives**:

• Learn foundational exercises and how to progress them

### **Topics Covered**:

- Compound Movements: Squat, Deadlift, Lunge, Press, Pull
- Training Modalities: Dumbbells, Barbells, Resistance Bands, Machines
- Reps, Sets, Rest, and Intensity Guidelines
- Weekly Splits and Total-Body Programming

### **Activities**:

- Demo: Practice form for 3 compound lifts
- Lab: Create a beginner strength workout (3-day split or full-body)
- Peer Coaching: Correct form and give feedback

# 7.0 Training Goals: Fat Loss, Muscle Gain, Strength, & Performance (3 Hours)

# Objectives:

• Customize training to different physical outcomes

### **Topics Covered**:

- Understanding Hypertrophy vs Strength vs Endurance
- How to Adjust Reps, Volume, and Intensity
- Strength Training vs Cardio for Fat Loss
- Periodization and Goal Progression

### **Activities**:

- Case Study: Create a plan for 3 types of goals
- Task: Identify your current phase and adjust your plan
- Partner Share: Share your training goal and "why"

# 8.0 Nutrition, Recovery, and Mindset for Women Who Lift (3 Hours)

### **Objectives**:

• Support strength gains through proper fuel and recovery

# **Topics Covered**:

- Protein Intake, Macronutrients, and Hydration
- Sleep, Mobility, and Active Recovery
- Overtraining, Plateaus, and Progress Fatigue
- Confidence, Gym Anxiety, and Empowered Mindset

### **Activities**:

Task: Plan 1 day of eating to support your strength plan

- Drill: Design a 10-minute post-lift recovery routine
- Journaling Prompt: "I feel strongest when..."

# 9.0 Personal Program Planning & Progress Tracking (2 Hours)

# **Objectives**:

• Build a personalized roadmap for strength and progress

### **Topics Covered**:

- SMART Goal Setting for Strength
- Using Logs, Apps, and Photos to Track Growth
- Adjusting Plans Over Time and Listening to the Body
- Creating Consistency Without Burnout

### **Activities**:

- Worksheet: 4-week progressive strength plan
- Task: Choose 3 strength metrics to track (e.g., reps, weight, form)
- Peer Review: Share and tweak each other's plans

# 10.0 Conclusion and Wrap-Up (1 Hour)

### **Key Takeaways**:

• Celebrate strength and commit to long-term training

### **Final Activities**:

- Showcase: Present your strength training journey map
- Certificate Distribution
- Reflection: "What lifting taught me about myself..."