Course Curriculum: Perfume Making

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Module 1: Introduction to Perfumery

- History of Perfumery: Explore the origins of fragrance creation.
- **Olfactory Science**: Understand how we perceive scents, the role of the olfactory system.
- The Perfume Industry: Overview of the modern perfume industry.

Module 2: The Foundations of Fragrance

- **Scent Families and Classification**: Introduction to scent families (e.g., floral, oriental, woody, fresh).
- **Natural vs. Synthetic Ingredients**: Learn the differences between natural extracts (like essential oils) and synthetic aroma chemicals.
- **Ingredient Profiles**: Detailed study of popular perfume ingredients.

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Module 3: Perfume Structure and Composition

- **Understanding the Perfume Pyramid**: Learn about top, middle (heart), and base notes.
- **Fragrance Accords**: Introduction to building accords.
- **Blending Basics**: The art of balancing different notes.

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Module 4: Hands-On Blending Techniques

- **Blending Tools and Safety**: Familiarization with pipettes, droppers, blending jars, and safety measures.
- Creating a Sample Fragrance: Step-by-step guidance on creating a balanced fragrance.

- **Testing and Evaluating**: Learn how to evaluate the fragrance at each stage of development.

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Module 5: Developing Your Own Signature Fragrance

- Choosing Your Fragrance Theme: Decide on a direction for your unique scent.
- Personalized Blending Session: Hands-on experience creating a custom blend.
- **Trial and Error**: Experiment with different ingredients, proportions, and accords.

Module 6: Bottling, Branding, and Presentation

- **Bottling Your Creation**: Bottle your fragrance and learn about the impact.
- **Labeling and Naming**: Tips for creatively naming and labeling your fragrance.
- **Introduction to Branding**: Basics of fragrance branding, packaging, and presentation.

Module 7: The Business of Fragrance

- **Intro to Marketing and Selling Fragrances**: Overview of marketing techniques, target demographics, and online vs. in-store sales.
- Sustainability in Perfumery: Discussion on ethical sourcing and sustainability practices.

Module 8: Advanced Techniques and Future Learning

- **Perfume Concentration Levels**: Explore concentrations like Eau de Parfum, Eau de Toilette, and how dilution affects fragrance intensity and longevity.
- **Specialty Techniques**: Introduction to more complex fragrance forms.
- Final Project