

In light of the developing worldwide situation and following official advice and guidance from the UK Government and World Health Organisation (WHO), the Royal Society of Biology has decided to postpone all in-person training courses scheduled before the end of August 2020, and where possible these courses will be delivered via video conferencing. This will be reviewed regularly based on official Government guidance. If you have any questions you can contact us on [training@rsb.org.uk](mailto:training@rsb.org.uk)

Our online training courses are available as usual, and with many people now working from home this may be an opportunity to continue your professional development online. If you're interested in developing your skills, want to maintain your professional registration or simply looking for a refresher course, please visit our [online learning platform](#) where we hope you will find something of value.

## EDUCATION DURING COVID-19

Our education policy team is working with government, awarding bodies and policy partners to provide advice and support to teachers, parents and students. Our new education [during Covid-19 pages](#) will be regularly updated over the coming weeks and months.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS CERTIFICATE

The [Technical Skills Certificate](#) is the latest initiative by the Society, designed to support the **career development of technical staff** working in higher education, industry or in a private laboratory. The certificate supports competency development for our [Registered Science Technician \(RSciTech\)](#) professional recognition award.

If you are an organisation and would like to register staff in bulk for this certificate, or require any further information please visit our [web page](#) or email [training@rsb.org.uk](mailto:training@rsb.org.uk)

## INDUSTRY SKILLS CERTIFICATE

The [Industry Skills Certificate](#) is designed to support the **employability of scientists in industry**. With extensive research and input from our [Employer Advisory Group \(EAG\)](#), we have created a bespoke set of online and in-person training courses that are aimed to enhance the experience, skill set and knowledge of scientists. This certificate also supports competency development for our [Registered Scientist \(RSci\)](#) professional recognition award.

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## CPD EVENT APPROVAL

Do you run **workshops, seminars, conferences** and other **events** suitable for biologists?

Would you like to offer your participants CPD credits for your events?

Royal Society of Biology CPD Approval formally recognises those events that allow our members to keep up to date with recent developments or key skills within their field, or in any area of the biosciences they may find interesting.

A CPD approved 'event' can be a lecture or programme of lectures, a conference, a short course, a one-day inset, a seminar, or other activity that provides training or education (**including online activity**). For further details please visit the [RSB website](#) or contact [training@rsb.org.uk](mailto:training@rsb.org.uk)

## ONLINE TRAINING COURSES

### Core Business Skills for Biologists - [Industry Skills Certificate](#)

This unique course aims to provide participants with a better understanding and knowledge of business in the bioscience sector.

### Personal Skills for Leadership - [Industry Skills Certificate](#)

This online course will help participants recognise and develop personal skills needed to be a more effective leader.

### Introduction to Project Management - [Industry & Technical Skills Certificate](#)

Throughout this online course participants will learn the skills and planning tools they need to successfully complete a project and how to anticipate and resolve the issues they are likely to encounter as a project manager.

### Unconscious Bias - [Industry & Technical Skills Certificate](#)

This half day awareness building course aims to educate staff and managers so that they can lead by example in the quest to change mind-sets and create a more diverse and inclusive workplace.

### Gopher Science Lab

This online course has been written and reviewed by teachers, for teachers. The following lessons are designed to give teachers clear guidance on how to carry out the Gopher Science Lab activities so that they can feel confident in leading or supervising the activities during a lab day or classroom session.

### Introduction to Trusteeship and Governance

The aim of this course is to support and provide new trustees with knowledge on the responsibilities of a trustee and how to carry these out, in accordance with the rules and regulations in place.

### Persuasive Scientific Writing

This course is for those of you who write technical, scientific and other related articles and reports, including students, who wish to improve their report and general document writing skills.

### Writing for Non-specialist Audiences (*new*)

This half-day course is designed for those wanting to improve the way they communicate to a non-specialist audience.

For further details and to register onto any of the above online training courses, please visit our online learning platform - [myLearning](#) or email [training@rsb.org.uk](mailto:training@rsb.org.uk)

## IN-PERSON TRAINING COURSES (some repurposed for distant learning)

### Leadership in a Laboratory Environment - [Technical Skills Certificate](#)

Date: 27th April - 1st May 2020

Location: Video Conferencing

Fees: Member - £90 + VAT | Non-member - £180 + VAT

For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](#)

### Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning for Biological Application - [Industry Skills Certificate](#)

Date: 8th June 2020

Location: Video Conferencing

Fees: Member - £100 + VAT | Non-member - £200 + VAT

For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](#)

### Train the Trainer - [Industry & Technical Skills Certificate](#)

Date: 15th June 2020

Location: Video Conferencing

Fees: Member - £150 + VAT | Non-member - £300 + VAT

For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](#)

### Introduction to Reproducible Analyses in R - [Industry Skills Certificate](#)

Date: 29th June 2020

Location: Video Conferencing

Fees: Member - £85 + VAT | Non-member - £170 + VAT

For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](#)

### Introduction to Quality Management - [Industry Skills Certificate](#)

Date: 6th November 2020

Location: London

Fees: Member - £120 + VAT | Non-member - £240 + VAT

For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](#)

## CLOSING ATTAINMENT GAPS IN THE BIOSCIENCES

### [HUBS Learning & Teaching Workshop Series 2020: Closing Attainment Gaps in the Biosciences](#)

In this workshop, a co-production between Royal Holloway and Kingston University, participants will have the opportunity to share their own effective practice in the area, and leave with practical ideas for improving the outcomes of under performing demographic groups. This workshop takes place on 2nd July 2020 at Kingston University.

For further details please visit our [website](#)

## POTENTIAL NEW TRAINING COURSES

We are inviting expressions of interest for potential new training courses:

- **Cell/Tissue Culture: The Basics**
- **The Light Microscope: All you need to Know**
- **Experimental Design in the Bioscience Laboratory**
- **Aseptic Technique**
- **Laboratory Maths**
- **The Basics of Immunoassays**

If you are interested in attending the potential courses listed above or can deliver training in these areas, please [register your interest](#)

## TRAINERS NEEDED

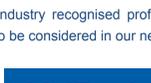
We are seeking trainers in the following areas:

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- **The Light Microscope: All you need to Know**
- **Experimental Design in the Bioscience Laboratory**
- **Aseptic Technique**
- **Laboratory Maths**
- **The Basics of Immunoassays**

Please do get in touch if you can help by emailing [training@rsb.org.uk](mailto:training@rsb.org.uk)

## PROFESSIONAL REGISTERS

Advance your career by applying for one of our industry recognised professional registers, open to members of the RSB. Submit your application now to be considered in our next quarterly election.



## MEMBER ORGANISATION EVENTS

### [Online training in maths and computing for bioscience research](#)

Date: online

A SysMIC online training course

### [FEBS3+ Meeting: 86th Harden Conference - Machines on Genes](#)

Date: 09.05.20 - 13.05.20

A Biochemical Society event

Spain

### [State-of-the-art GA-rodent colony management](#)

Date: 21.05.20 - 22.05.20

A Fondazione Guido Bernardini event

Milan, Italy

### [Continuing Education](#)

#### [Symposium 4: Respiratory system](#)

Date: 14.07.20 - 16.07.20

British Society of Toxicological Pathology event

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