

What does professional development mean to you? Whether you're looking to gain business skills as a biologist or improve your leadership skills, the RSB offers a range of training courses that can help you diversify your skillset.

During the Covid-19 crisis we have reduced our online course prices by 20%. 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.

IN-HOUSE TRAINING

The RSB can organise training at your premises or nearby for your staff, in a range of areas within the biosciences. **During the Covid-19 pandemic we are able to offer this training by distant learning through a range of video conference platforms.** If you have staff/students in your organisation who will benefit from up-skilling then please contact us on training@rsb.org.uk

Previously delivered in-house training includes:

- **Navigating the Patent System for Biologists** - Prostate Cancer Research Centre
- **Persuasive Scientific Writing** - Sequani
- **Train the Trainer** - Northern Ireland Water

THE BIOLOGIST

In the latest issue of *The Biologist*, we speak to [Sir David Attenborough](#) about his long association with the life sciences as he accepts a **life-time achievement award from the RSB**.

The packed June issue also looks at how synthetic biologists are [creating custom spider silk without spiders](#); the possibility of [engineering trees to store more carbon](#); and the challenges of [teaching and lecturing](#) during lockdown. Plus, we explore the idea of a [new natural history GCSE](#), the [problematic language of invasive species](#), and speak to the biologists [taking action with activist groups like Extinction Rebellion](#). And for the first time, our [digital edition](#) features a special double-cover.

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 to register your interest. Most of the courses in this certificate are currently in-development due to universities currently being closed.

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.

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

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

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

IN-PERSON TRAINING COURSES (delivered by video conference)

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

Date: 29th June 2020

Location: Video Conference via Zoom

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

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

Navigating the Patent System for Biologists - [Industry Skills Certificate](#)

Date: 10th July 2020

Location: Video Conference via Microsoft Teams

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

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

Copyright Awareness for Researchers - [Industry Skills Certificate](#)

Date: 14th July 2020

Location: Video Conference via Zoom

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

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

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

Date: 24th - 25th August 2020

Location: Video conference via Zoom

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

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

Programming for Biologists - [Industry Skills Certificate](#)

Date: 7th - 18th September 2020

Location: Video Conference via Zoom

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

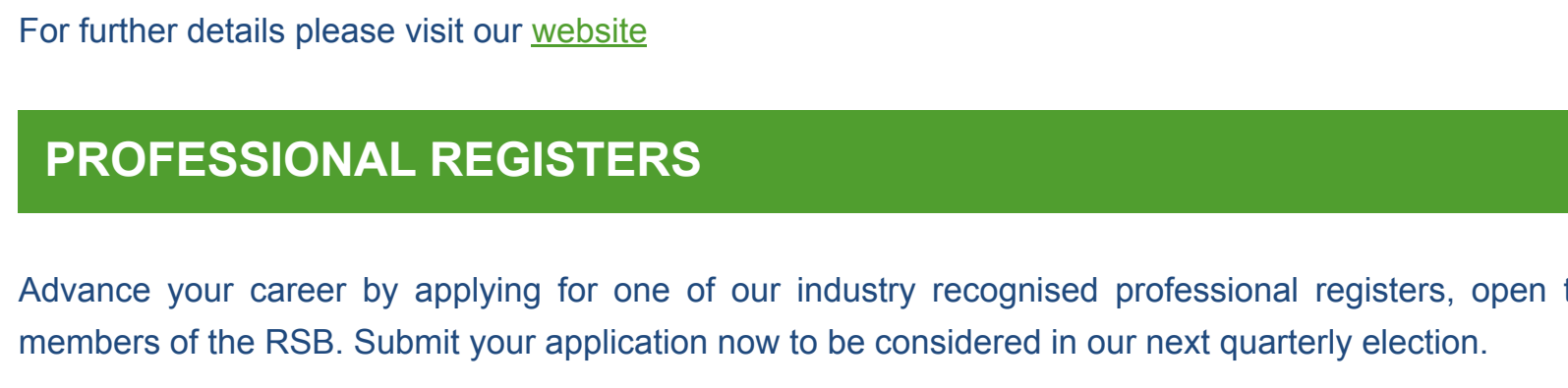
HUBS Learning & Teaching Workshop Series 2020: Closing Attainment Gaps in the Biosciences

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](#)

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

Webinar: Fermented Food - Separating Hype from Facts
Date: 01.07.20
A British Nutrition Foundation (BNF) free lunchtime webinar

Future Physiology 2020
Date: 06.07.20 - 10.07.20
A Physiological Society event
Virtual Conference

FEBS3+ Meeting: 86th Harden Conference - Machines on Genes
Date: 09.05.21 - 13.05.21
A Biochemical Society event
Spain

Continuing Education Symposium 4: Respiratory system
Date: 13.07.21 - 15.07.21
British Society of Toxicological Pathology event
Department of Pathology,
University of Cambridge, Tennis Court Road, Cambridge CB2 1QP

