The Royal Society of Biology has developed new training courses in Unconscious Bias and Governance, to add to our suite of online and in person training programme. Our training programme provides a range of training and development opportunities to support the professionalism of those working in the biosciences.

If you're interested in developing your skills, want to maintain your professional registration or simply looking for a refresher course, please do take a look at our website and online learning platform where we hope you will find something of value.

ONLINE TRAINING COURSES

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 Project Management

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.

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.
**Unconscious Bias**

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.

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.

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**IN PERSON TRAINING COURSES**

**Leadership in a Laboratory Environment**

**When:** 08 March 2019

**Where:** Charles Darwin House 2, 107 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8TZ

**Booking Deadline:** 28 February 2019

**Overview**

A successful career in a scientific lab environment needs leadership and management skills as well as research skills. To get the best from people, team leaders need to be able to form teams, provide leadership and deal with issues that will inevitably emerge. These are skills that can be developed with practice. The aim of this course is to introduce some team-working and leadership models that can be of practical use in developing those skills.

**Who is the course for?**

Following the success of previous courses, the Society continues offer this one-day introductory course specifically to meet the needs of postdoctoral researchers in academic or industrial environments. It is aimed at:

- Laboratory team leaders and principal investigators who want to improve the way they manage their teams
- Postdoctoral researchers who have been selected for, or aspire to, promotion to team leader positions

**CPD**

This event has been approved by the Royal Society of Biology for the purposes of CPD and can be counted as 21 CPD credits.

**How this course supports registers competencies:** This course has been identified as supporting competency development for: Registered Scientist (RSci) and Registered Science Technician (RSciTech).

Competency area: Interpersonal Skills and Personal Responsibility.

**Fees:** From £60 + VAT

**For further details and to book please visit the RSB website.**
Programming for Biologists

**When:** 05 April 2019

**Where:** Charles Darwin House 2, 107 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8TZ

**Booking Deadline:** 15 March 2019

**Overview**

There's no escaping it - computing is becoming an essential part of the scientist toolkit. From coping with the data deluge by automated analysis or simulating a mathematical model of your system, coding is an essential skill for the modern biologist.

This hands-on, one-day course will introduce you to Python, a popular and powerful computer language. You will learn the basics of working with Python through the increasingly popular Jupyter Notebook system.

But Don't Panic - this course is designed for those with no existing coding experience.

**Who is this course for?**

PhD students and researchers at any career stage in biology and related areas of science and medicine.

Although no previous coding experience is required, attendees will be working on their own laptops and will be expected to install some programmes before the course. Any laptop or operating system is suitable.

**CPD**

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**How this course supports registers competencies:** This course has been identified as supporting competency development for: Registered Scientist (RSci).

Competency area: Interpersonal Skills

**Fees:** From £65 + VAT

For further details and to book please visit the [RSB website](https://rsb.org.uk).

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**RSB EVENTS**

**Branch and MO events**

**24.02.19**

Northern Ireland: Galapagos – Evolution & Global Change

Northern Ireland branch

**Potential new training courses**

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

- Drug Development
- Laboratory Leadership and Management

**I'm a Scientist, Get me out of here!**

I’m a Scientist is an online public engagement event that gets technicians, and other people in science, talking to school students across the UK.
27.02.19 - 28.02.19
Surgical Techniques and Innovations
Laboratory Animal Science Association
Harwell Science and Innovation Campus, Oxfordshire OX11 0QG

04.03.19 - 08.03.19
Facilitation and Communications Skills
A Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust Event
Durrell, Les Augres manor, La Profonde Rue, Trinity, Jersey JE3 5BP

13.03.19
Experimental Medicine 2019 workshop
British Pharmacological Society
16 Angel Gate, City Road, London EC1V 2PT

16.03.19
Devon and Cornwall: AGM and Lecture - Art in the Service of Science
Devon and Cornwall branch event
Marine Biological Association, Citadel Hill, Plymouth, Devon PL1 2PB

- Mental Health at Work
- Writing a Business Plan
- IP Awareness

If you are interested in attending the potential courses listed above, please register your interest.

Technicians develop their communication skills, gain a fresh perspective on their work, and raise awareness of their vital work, helping students see the role as something ‘for them’. Taking part supports the career development goals of the Technician Commitment, signed by 60+ UK HE institutions.

The team are looking for technicians who work in fields related to physics, biomedicine, psychology, space and energy. Competitors of the X-Factor style online competition must answer the questions of curious school students. The lucky winner will be awarded £500 to spend on further public engagement. You can apply via this link.