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PCS Academy Summer programme launched - get involved

New dates for April to July now available.

With the [launch of our national pay ballot this week](#), now is the perfect moment to get trained up.

If we are to make a serious challenge to the government's intransigence on pay and pensions we must pass the 50% legal turn-out threshold in order to be able to threaten strike action. And we can only achieve that if enough people are involved as reps, advocates and active members to assist - in every workplace - in getting the vote out.

We have [a series of Strike School one-hour training sessions](#) coming up over the next week. Find out the [date of your nearest session and how to sign up](#).

The ballot will last until 13 May so there is plenty of time after Easter to sign up for further training, get involved, and make a difference. Today PCS Academy launches its **programme of training courses for our April to July term**. There are courses on offer for everyone - from new members to the most experienced reps.

- **Advocates** - contact your local branch officers for a short induction on how you can support PCS's work within your own workplace (or [complete the short form](#)). This session can be followed up with an Advocates Next Steps bitesize one-hour course in your region.
- **Getting more involved** - each region has introductory Welcome to PCS courses; find out what being active in the union involves.
- **Learn the skills you need** - sign up for a Workplace Rep, or Health and Safety Rep training programme, or get involved as a Learning Rep or Equality Network rep.
- **Fight for a fairer workplace** - attend a one-day course on an issue your branch may want to campaign on, e.g. Sexual Harassment, Racism and Intolerance, Understanding Disability in the Equality Act, or Climate Justice.

How to apply

All courses are now available for online registration. All you need to do is [register and log-in to PCS Digital](#), then click on 'Courses & Events'....and select your course.

You can also [browse the PCS Academy April to July 2024 courses](#) available in your region. And you can find out what each course looks like in the latest version of our [Academy Prospectus](#).

Sign up for PCS Academy training today, and make a difference in your workplace and to winning the national ballot.