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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.