



DID YOU KNOW?

SIPTU College offers a broad range of training opportunities for its members, activists and staff – both at our premises in Kilmainham and in locations all around the country.

Training for shop stewards and activists is offered at Introductory, Basic and Advanced Levels. Your Sector Organiser can arrange release with your employer to attend these courses usually run over 1, 2 or 3 days. It is also possible to attend this training at night to accommodate those who cannot (or prefer not to) get release from work. Many of our courses are accredited to QQI Level 5 for example the Advanced Activists Programme and the Training for Safety Representatives.

Other training is available to those who are not (yet!) shop stewards. Any member can avail of our return-to-learn programme *Jump Start*; our political education programme *Educate to Organise*; our *Basic English*; our *Trade Union Studies Certificate* programme, and any of the numeracy/literacy/IT skills courses starting in September in partnership with the ETB – see overleaf and also see separate leaflets on each of these programmes.

Design your own!

We will design and develop training programmes to suit particular industries, workplaces or topics. We already do this very successfully in our health & safety programmes and in specialized training for migrant workers and for female leaders.

**New Courses
@ SIPTU College**

***Jump Start*
(a return-to-learn
programme)**

***Educate to
Organise***

***Skills for Work in
partnership with
ETB***

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Shop Steward and Activist Training

We have a broad range of programmes suitable for shop stewards and activists. You can start with our **One-Day Introductory** programme, organised at very short notice for newly elected representatives or for activists in newly organised workplaces. This course gives a brief introduction to the union; to the role of the shop steward; organising and representing. This is a good introduction and forerunner to our **Basic Shop Stewards** Course which expands on these issues while our **Advanced Activists** Course (both usually run over 3 days) attracts a QQI Level 5 award. Our training for **Safety Representatives** (4 day) also attracts a Level 5 award and we also provide training for **Pension Trustees**.

Contact your SIPTU Organiser

Jump Start

Jump Start is a SIPTU designed and delivered return-to-learn programme aimed at members who want to return to education but have not studied for a long time, if ever. This programme helps participants to be motivated; to engage effectively in a classroom setting and develop advanced reading and writing skills. It will recommence in September at SIPTU College and can also be offered in your workplace.

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Educate to Organise

This programme grew out of a need to politicise ourselves, to answer some of the questions we frequently ask but seldom debate within the union – questions about our society and economy; about democracy and globalisation; class and inequality; left and right wing politics and power. There are three 8 week modules: - Workers in Society; Workers in the Economy; Workers in their Union – each class is a lively mix of presentation, film, debate and quizzes with no written assignments or exams.

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ICTU/SIPTU Trade Union Studies Certificate

Aimed at experienced activists, this modular programme has been developed in partnership with the National College of Ireland and participants who complete each of 6 modules are eligible for a QQI Level 6 award – a Certificate in Trade Union Studies. This 2 year programme is currently offered in Dublin, Cork, Limerick and Waterford and involves attendance at class one night a week. The course may soon be offered in Galway and if you have an interest in attending please see our separate leaflet and get in touch!

Contact SIPTU College

Basic English

Skills for Work

Basic English - SIPTU College offers both individual and group tuition for adults who need help with reading, writing and spelling at Liberty Hall. You can also train here to become an adult literacy tutor.

Contact Tom O'Brien (01) 8586311

Skills for Work - In partnership with the ETB, SIPTU College is now offering members assistance with numeracy and IT skills, the kind of skills we all need in today's workplace.

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