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- Increase staff retention and loyalty
- Maximise business productivity
- Enhance profit growth



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Training solutions that suit your business needs:

Welcome to Pitman Training Edinburgh and Glasgow – proudly serving Scotland with training services since 1987.

We take pride in offering a diverse range of training solutions tailored to meet your specific needs. Whether you prefer flexible study options, individual courses, or comprehensive Award and Diploma programs, we have got you covered.

In this brochure, you'll discover an array of classroom training options, providing you with the opportunity to join us in person. Our workshops encompass a wide range of subjects, including IT and Personal Development, empowering you and your team with essential skills for success.

For your convenience, we host courses on scheduled dates throughout the year, catering to both Edinburgh and Glasgow locations. Additionally, we are excited to introduce our virtual classroom, enabling you to participate in courses from the comfort of your own space.

With Pitman Training, you'll embark on a journey of continuous learning and professional growth. We look forward to helping you achieve your goals and enhance your capabilities.

Book a course with us today to unlock your true potential!

Don't see dates on our schedule that suit you?

We can arrange training for you on days and times that suit you best – we can even come to your workplace if that is convenient and appropriate to do so – just ask!





What our clients say:



The overall experience for the face-to-face team was excellent.

The course was engaging, motivational and it was easy to apply the skills learnt into everyday tasks. We would highly recommend Pitman Training Edinburgh and Glasgow as the requirements of the whole team were met. Thank you very much for the support from the moment we booked and throughout.

Kelly Dunning - Time Management

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We wanted to increase team efficiency and turn our team into leaders for the future development and expansion of the company.

Pitman Training Edinburgh and Glasgow helped by developing members of our team to a new level, gave them tools to increase levels of accountability, confidence and understanding. We really liked the relationship from start to finish, high levels of communication and the wide range of course subjects available. This offers the team areas of advancement but lets them choose their own individual areas of training. We will continue to use Pitman in the future for our training, your standards and quality of training are spot on, as with the handbooks also issued for later guidance.

Charles Mair – Supervisory Skills, Management Skills, Leadership Skills







What our clients say:



We were able to use the training to upskill staff to ensure high standards are met when attending meetings to take minutes.

We wanted everyone to be trained to the same level and to feel confident in what they were doing. Pitman Training Edinburgh and Glasgow offer both in person and virtual training, it enables staff to do the training virtually over two mornings, without the need for travel and they can fit this in during working hours. The courses provided exactly what we needed. The staff all really enjoyed the course and feel they have learnt a lot from it. We would definitely recommend Pitman for training requirements.

Gemma Baxter – Meetings and Minutes

East Lothian Health & Social Care Partnership















Pitman has helped us develop staff in areas that benefit their roles. The flexibility of the training was beneficial to staff learning which was invaluable.

We want to encourage staff to be the best version of themselves and to continue personal development throughout their careers with SFHA. We have used Pitman in the past and were really impressed with the service we received, and the course was enjoyable to the trainees.

I personally have used the Minute Taking and Train the Trainer courses. When I started working with SFHA my role involved lots of minute taking but without training I struggled to know whether I was doing a good job. The training allowed me to gain confidence in my job and gave me the skills I lacked. Train the Trainer was useful after a recent promotion where I found myself training colleagues for the first time. The skills I picked up from this course allowed me to confidently tackle my new role.

The courses were enjoyable the learning experience was very positive. It has helped with our own personal development plans as well as our team goals.

Lynsey McKie – Train the Trainer, Meetings and Minutes







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IT and Adobe Training Workshops

Adobe Illustrator

For Individuals who are new to illustrator or have only used Illustrator for limited tasks. During the course you will learn the fundamentals of Adobe Illustrator Creative Cloud from our certified Adobe Instructor. Classes are small group sessions guaranteeing time for practical training and questions and feedback from our tutor.

What you will learn:

- Design principles, digital media theory (vector, resolution, raster)
- Illustrator interface, workspace and navigation, preferences and colour settings, rulers, guides and grids, colour and colour swatches.
- Shape and line tools, transform and modify elements, design alignment, shape builder.
- Combining shapes with the pathfinder, introduction to pen tool and Bezier curves, applying effects, drawing with brushes, import, link and embed elements.
- Working with images, clipping mask, converting pixels to vector image tracing, styling, and formatting text, special characters, Adobe fonts, colour spaces (RGB, CMYK), export settings and file formats.
- Output and optimize work for digital print use, creative cloud libraries, hidden gems and shortcuts, efficiency workflow.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	On demand	On demand	15 th January
February	On demand	On demand	12 th February
March	On demand	On demand	12 th March
April	On demand	On demand	23 rd April
May	On demand	On demand	28 th May
June	On demand	On demand	24 th June
July	On demand	On demand	23 rd July
August	On demand	On demand	27 th August
September	On demand	On demand	24 th September
October	On demand	On demand	29 th October
November	On demand	On demand	18 th November
December	On demand	On demand	17 th December



Adobe InDesign

For individuals who are new to InDesign or have only used InDesign for limited tasks. Throughout the course you will learn the fundamentals of Adobe InDesign Creative Cloud from our certified Adobe Instructor. Classes are small group sessions guaranteeing time for practical training and questions and feedback from our tutor.

What you will learn:

- Design principles, digital media theory (vector, resolution, raster). InDesign interface, workspace and navigation.
- InDesign preferences and colour settings, rulers, guides and view modes, page layout.
- Design alignment, working with layers, colour and colour swatches, automation settings, shape and frame tools, import, link and embed elements.
- Working with images, styling and formatting text, character and paragraph styles, special characters.
- Adobe fonts, introduction to the pen tool and Bezier curves, combining shapes with the pathfinder, master pages and master items.
- Text wrap, interactivity, spell check and proofing, colour theory, colour spaces (RBG, CMYJ).
- Export settings and file formats, output and optimise work for digital print use.
- Creative Cloud libraries, hidden gems and shortcuts, efficiency workflows

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	On demand	On demand	29 th January
February	On demand	On demand	19 th February
March	On demand	On demand	19 th March
April	On demand	On demand	16 th April
May	On demand	On demand	14 th May
June	On demand	On demand	18 th June
July	On demand	On demand	15 th July
August	On demand	On demand	13 th August
September	On demand	On demand	17 th September
October	On demand	On demand	22 nd October
November	On demand	On demand	12 th November
December	On demand	On demand	10 th December



Adobe Photoshop

For individuals who are new to Photoshop or have only used Photoshop for limited tasks. During the course you will learn the fundamentals of the Adobe Photoshop Creative Cloud from our certified Adobe Instructor. Classes are small group sessions guaranteeing time for practical training and questions and feedback from our tutor.

What you will learn:

- Design principles, digital media theory (vector, resolution, raster), Photoshop interface, workspace and navigation, Photoshop preferences and colour settings, rulers, guides and grids, resize and crop.
- Colour and colour swatches, enhancing through tonal and colour adjustments, camera RAW, adjustments layers.
- Selection tools and refining selections, working with layers and layer masks, layer blending modes and styles.
- Design alignment, transform and modify elements, retouching, styling and formatting text, special characters.
- Adobe fonts, resample resolution, colour theory, colour spaces (RGB, CMYK), export session and file formats, output and optimise work for digital print use.
- Creative Cloud libraries, hidden gems and shortcuts, efficiency workflow.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	On demand	On demand	9 th January
February	On demand	On demand	6 th February
March	On demand	On demand	5 th March
April	On demand	On demand	9 th April
May	On demand	On demand	7 th May
June	On demand	On demand	10 th June
July	On demand	On demand	8 th July
August	On demand	On demand	6 th August
September	On demand	On demand	9 th September
October	On demand	On demand	8 th October
November	On demand	On demand	4 th November
December	On demand	On demand	3 rd December



Excel Introduction

For individuals who have never used spreadsheets or the Excel application before or only used Excel for limited tasks. At the end of the day, you will be able to create professional-looking spreadsheets.

What you will learn:

- An Introduction to Excel the ribbon bar, enter move and clear data, saving in Excel, creating new workbooks, cut copy and paste, naming, deleting, and working with sheets.
- <u>Formulas</u> introduction to basic formula, order of operations, add subtract multiply and divide, auto sum and auto average, percentages, absolute cell referencing.
- <u>Data Manipulation</u> moving data, sorting, inserting rows and columns, widening rows and columns, deleting information.
- **<u>Printing</u>** print preview, page layout, headers and footers and print area.
- **Formatting** formatting numbers, formatting text, borders, and shading, align data.
- <u>Utilities</u> introduction to charts, freeze panes, introduction to conditional formatting, auto fill options.

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January			23 rd and 24 th January –
			9.30 am – 12.30 pm
February	5 th February	2 nd February	
March			6 th and 7 th March– 1.30 pm
			– 4.30 pm
April	4 th April	8 th April	
May	28 th May		1 st and 2 nd April – 9.30 am –
			12.30 pm
June		10 th June	
July			11 th and 12 th August – 9.30
			am – 12.30 pm
August	5 th August	6 th August	
September			3 rd and 4 th September –
			9.30 am – 12.30 pm
October	8 th October	15 th October	
November			5 th and 6 th November –
			9.30 am – 12.30 pm
December		5 th December	



Excel Intermediate

For individuals who are already using Excel, this course will streamline and perfect their Excel skills by teaching the more intermediate features available in the application.

What you will learn:

- <u>Formula</u> Vlookups, IF Statements, Sumlf, Countlf, Text formula, Concatenate, linking spreadsheets.
- <u>Utilities</u> Protecting data, hide and unhide data, named ranges, working with dates, comments, data validation, headers and footers.
- <u>Linking Data</u> linking spreadsheets, identifying links, linking separate workbooks.
- <u>Data Analysis</u> Updating Pivot Tables, filters, subtotals, icons and data bars in conditional formatting, filter and sort using colour.
- <u>Pivot Tables</u> creating Pivot Tables, Pivot Charts, Slicers, refreshing data, updating ranges.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	9 th January	12 th January	10 th and 11 th January– 1.30
			pm -4.30 pm
February	6 th and 22 nd February	15 th February	
March		13 th March	
April	16 th April	18 th April	2 nd and 3 rd April – 9.30 am –
			12.30 pm
May	9 th May	7 th and 31 st May	
June	6 th June	18 th June	26 th and 27 th June – 9.30 am
			– 12.30 pm
July	17 th July	2 nd July	
August	8 th August	16 th August	20 th and 21 st August – 9.30
			am – 12.30 pm
September	10 th September	17 th September	18 th and 19 th September–
			9.30 am – 12.30 pm
October	10 th October	21st and 31st October	
November	7 th November		14 th and 15 th November–
			9.30 am – 12.30 pm
December	9 th December	4 th December	



Excel Advanced

For Individuals who already use Excel to an Intermediate level. This course will teach you how to use Excel to analyze, collaborate and validate with Advanced features and tools which are extremely useful for auditing and streamlining your workflow.

What you will learn:

- <u>Macros –</u> Editing and deleting macros, recording macros, customizing ribbon.
- Review Data track changes, auditing tools, watch window, review changes, restricting data area
- <u>Utilities</u> Goal seek, data consolidation, power view reports, create scenarios, What -If analysis, drawing diagrams, recommended pivot tables.
- <u>Additional</u> IfAnd/IfOr formula, IfNa formula, Convert to table, screenshots, removing duplicates, filter timeline, IfError, HLookups, Sparklines, Pivot tables, flash fill.

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January	29 th January		
February		7 th February	26 th and 27 th February— 9.30 am – 12.30 pm
March	19 th March		
April			24 th and 25 th April– 1.30 pm – 4.30 pm
May		14 th May	
June	12 th June	4 th June	
July			16 th and 17 th July– 1.30 pm – 4.30 pm
August		1 st August	
September	5 th September		
October			16 th and 17 th October – 9.30 am – 12.30 pm
November		6 th November	
December	11 th December		12 th and 13 th – 1.30 pm – 4.30 pm



Macros Deep Dive

In this 'Deep Dive' we will devote the full day to exploring Macros and how they are used in Excel. We recommend that you have a basic to intermediate understanding of Excel already.

What you will learn:

- Introduction to Macros
- How to use the macro recorder
- Save your file support with macros
- Using absolute versus relative cell referencing when recording
- Run a macro from a button you create
- Use keyboard shortcuts to navigate during recording to get the correct result
- Apply macros to different sized data sets
- Add macro to Excel menu tabs
- Introduction to VBA Editior
- Add IF condition to macro VBA code
- Add Loop to macto VBA code
- Introduction to debugging VBA code
- Copy macros between workbooks

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January			On demand
February			On demand
March	20 th March		On demand
April		19 th April	On demand
May			On demand
June			On demand
July			On demand
August		9 th August	On demand
September			On demand
October	24 th October		On demand
November			On demand
December		13 th December	On demand



Microsoft Project Introduction

For Individuals who have never used Project. The course is designed to cover all aspects of Project at an Introduction level; to provide you with a good overall grasp of the application – it's different areas, features and how these can be adapted within a working environment.

What you will learn:

- <u>Project Environment Starting a project, different view areas of project, loading a project.</u>
- <u>Planning a project</u> Overview of planning, creating a new base calendar, creating other calendars.
- <u>Tasks</u> Interesting tasks, linking tasks through predecessors, creating phases within project, view scheduling options, deleting, moving and editing tasks.
- <u>Views</u> alrernative sheet views, viewing Gantt Charts, altering Gantt Charts.
- <u>Printing reports</u> preview options, page setup, overview of project reports.
- <u>Track your projects</u> create a baseline benchmark to mark against, view a tracking Gantt charge, see your project's progress.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	16 th and 26 th January		On demand
February		13 th February	On demand
March			On demand
April	17 th April		On demand
May		15 th May	On demand
June			On demand
July	18 th July		On demand
August		15 th August	On demand
September			On demand
October	18 th October		On demand
November		12 th November	On demand
December			On demand



Microsoft Project Complete – 2-day course

For individuals who have never used Project or have only used Project for limited tasks. At the end of the 2-day sessions you will be able to create professional-looking planning documentation.

What you will learn:

- <u>Project Introduction</u> Ribbon bar overview, task area, Gantt chart area, view navigation, starting a project overview, project calendars.
- **Resources** creating resource calendars, create resources, assign resources to tasks, over allocation, team planner view.
- <u>Creating Tasks</u> insert tasks, delete, and move tasks, promote and demote tasks, link tasks, manual and auto scheduling, predecessors, task types, adding task summary and outline numbers, setting restraints.
- **Gannt Charts** formatting Gantt Charts, altering Gantt Charts styles.
- Completing tasks set baseline, tracking Gantt view, view reports, filter tasks, percentage complete.
- <u>Printing and views</u> print preview, page setup.
- <u>Costs</u> creating costs, assign costs to tasks, add new columns.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January		10 th and 11 th January	On demand
February			On demand
March		27 th and 28 th March	On demand
April	29 th and 30 th April		On demand
May			On demand
June		26 th and 27 th June	On demand
July	24 th and 25 th July		On demand
August		28 th and 29 th August	On demand
September			On demand
October	29 th and 30 th October		On demand
November		18 th and 19 th November	On demand
December			On demand



Pivot Tables Deep Dive

In this 'Deep Dive' topic, we will devote the full day to exploring Pitvot Tables and how they can be used for Data Analysis. We recommend that you have a basic to intermediate understanding of Microsoft Excel but no prior knowledge of Pivot Tables is required.

What you will learn:

- Introduction to pivot tables
- Convert data to tables
- Adjust field list settings
- Create multiple reports with one click
- Add data bars to pivot tables
- Master pivot table settings
- Add and remove calculated fields to pivot tables
- Calculate the difference between columns
- Add smart custom number formatting
- Create custom groupings to pivot tables
- Group dates as unique
- Add slicers to easily filter data
- Add dynamic charts
- Add a timeline to pivot tables
- Introduction to Microsoft Power Pivot

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January		4 th January	On demand
February			On demand
March	21 st March		On demand
April			On demand
May			On demand
June		20 th June	On demand
July			On demand
August			On demand
September	11 th September		On demand
October		22 nd October	On demand
November			On demand
December	16 th December		On demand



Power BI Introduction

Learn how you can leverage Power BI to easily build reports and dashboards with interactive visualizations. Connect to and visualize any data using the unified, scalable platform for self-service and enterprise business intelligence (BI) that's easy to use and helps you gain deeper data insight.

What you will learn

- Get to know the Microsoft Power BI Interface
- Understand the purpose of Microsoft Power BI for data analytics.
- Understand basics regarding capacities, workspaces, datasets, shared datasets, reports, and dashboards.
- Get to know data modelling and visualizations using various kinds of visuals like charts and tables.
- Learn how to filter, clean, and transform data with services like Power Query
- Understand aggregates and when to use them.
- Learn how to secure your data.
- Perform exercises to secure your knowledge and understanding.
- Create and share your first Power BI report.

If attending our virtual classroom courses – you will need to have the Microsoft Power BI license in addition to Microsoft Office. Having a second display is beneficial but not required.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom
			Dates
January	30 th January		On demand
February		29 th February	On demand
March			On demand
April	11 th April		On demand
May		21 st May	On demand
June			On demand
July	23 rd July		On demand
August		23 rd August	On demand
September			On demand
October	14 th October		On demand
November		25 th November	On demand
December			On demand



Power BI Intermediate

Learn how you can leverage Power BI to easily build reports and dashboards with interactive visualizations. Connect to and visualize any data using the unified, scalable platform for self-service and enterprise business intelligence (BI) that's easy to use and helps you gain deeper data insight.

What you will learn:

- Design a data model.
- Introduction to developing with the Microsoft Power Platform.
- Use Dax in Power BI Desktop.
- Publish and share.
- How to build a Power BI dashboard.
- Model data in Power BI
- Data analysis in Power BI
- Manage workspaces and datasets in Power BI
- Optimise a model for performance.

If attending our virtual classroom courses – you will need to have the Microsoft Power BI license in addition to Microsoft Office. Having a second display is beneficial but not required.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			On demand
February	20 th February		On demand
March		12 th March	On demand
April			On demand
May	13 th May		On demand
June		19 th June	On demand
July			On demand
August	19 th August		On demand
September		25 th September	On demand
October			On demand
November	20 th November		On demand
December		19 th December	On demand



PowerPoint Introduction

For Individuals who have never used PowerPoint or have only used it for limited tasks. At the end of the course, you will be able to create professional-looking presentations.

What you will learn:

- <u>Initial screen and data entry</u>—Introduction to the PowerPoint App, inserting and selecting text, moving, and resizing objects, adding new slides.
- <u>Bullet slides and pictures</u> entering bullet points, multi-level bullets, changing and deleting bullet points, working with pictures, grouping, and ungrouping images.
- **Organisation** using organisation charts and tables, basic tables, and charts.
- **Formatting** free text, format test colours, freehand drawings, working with objects, colouring objects, backgrounds on slides.
- <u>Slide master options</u> learning about master slides, insert footers and page numbers, using hyperlinks, view slides and note pages, slide orders.
- <u>Slide shows</u> setting and running slide shows, slide transitions, animation effects, printing presentations.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			
February	8 th February		
March		7 th March	
April			18 th and 19 th April –
			9.30 am – 12.30 pm
May	16 th May		
June			
July			25 th and 26 th July –
			1.30 pm – 4.30 pm
August	22 nd August		
September		9 th September	
October			
November	21 st November		
December		2 nd December	



PowerPoint Intermediate/Advanced

For individuals who are already using PowerPoint to an introductory level – this course will streamline and perfect your PowerPoint skills by teaching the more advanced features available in the app.

What you will learn:

- <u>Master slides</u> creating master slides, formatting masters, hand-out masters, headers and footers, page numbering.
- <u>Insert data</u> insert sound files and video clips, working with sound and video, creatin hyperlinks, embed objects.
- <u>Custom and auto timings</u> create custom shows, Ink annotations when running slides, set
 options for custom shows, running custom shows, create an agenda slide, rehearse timings,
 loop continuously, setting up presenter's view, using online video.
- Other add multiple effects, motion paths, re-using slides, screenshots, insert objects, new animation, new transition, reading view.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			On demand
February		23 rd February	On demand
March	26 th March		On demand
April			On demand
May			16 th and 17 th May –
			9.30 am – 12.30 pm
June	24 th June		On demand
July			On demand
August			On demand
September	23 rd September	24 th September	On demand
October			On demand
November		14 th November	On demand
December	12 th December		On demand



Word Introduction

For individuals who have never used a word processing package before or have only used Word for limited tasks. At the end of the day, you will be able to create professional looking Word documents.

What you will learn:

- <u>Introduction</u> screen layout, ribbon bar, entering and editing text, spell and grammar checking, change case, saving documents, creating new documents, saving as different versions.
- <u>Printing</u> print preview, applying page settings, page layouts, page numbering, basic headers and footers, page breaks.
- <u>Formatting</u> selecting text, moving text copy, cut and paste, navigating a document, full formatting text options, aligning text, applying text styles.
- <u>Paragraph formatting</u> setting tabs, using bullets and numbering, paragraph spacing, borders and shading, watermarks.
- Other basic tables, pictures, shapes, drawing.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	22 nd January		
February			5 th and 6 th February –
			9.30 am – 12.30 pm
March	25 th March		
April		23 rd April	
May	17 th May		
June		17 th June	20 th and 21 st June –
			1.30 pm- 4.30 pm
July	22 nd July		
August		5 th August	
September	19 th September		12 th and 13 th
			September – 9.30 am -
			12.30 pm
October		23 rd October	
November	26 th November		18 th and 19 th
			November – 1.30 pm
			– 4.30 pm
December		9 th December	



Word Intermediate

For Individuals who are already using Word to an introductory level – this course will streamline and perfect your Word skills by teaching you intermediate features available within the Word application.

What you will learn:

- <u>Tables creating tables</u>, altering tables rows and columns, deleting tables, entering date, table layouts, formatting tables, sorting data, drawing tables.
- <u>Paragraph</u> page and section breaks, linking headers, applying text styles, modifying and create styles, using styles, create table of contents.
- <u>Charts and pictures</u> creating charts, editing charts, formatting charts, moving, resizing charts, changing chart type, insert images, insert pictures, working with pictures, text wrap pictures.
- Other creating columns, using templates, introduction to mail merge, protecting documents, working with comments, drawing diagrams, screenshots, front covers.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			
February			13 th and 14 th February
			– 9.30 am – 12.30 pm
March		8 th March	
April	22 nd April		
May			8 th and 9 th May – 1.30
			pm – 4.30 pm
June		14 th June	
July	30 th July		
August			1 st and 2 nd August –
			1.30 pm – 4.30 pm
September		18 th September	
October	11 th October		14 th and 15 th October
			– 9.30 am – 12.30 pm
November			
December		20 th December	2 nd and 3 rd December
			– 9.30 am – 12.30 pm



Word Advanced

For individuals who are already using Word to an Intermediate level – this course will streamline and perfect your Word skills by teaching you the advanced features available in the Word application.

What you will learn:

- <u>Mail Merge</u> Creating mail merge, merge envelopes and labels, creating data sources, editing data sources.
- <u>Tracking</u> tracking changes, accept and reject options, viewing track changes, compare document versions.
- Forms creating user forms, save and protect forms, editing forms, create drop lists.
- <u>Utilities</u> creating foot and endnotes, creating front cover pages, create an index, captions, collaborating with other documents, cross-referencing, recording macros, edit and remover macros, embedding objects, online video, design themes, backstage features.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			
February			
March	18 th March		11 th and 12 th March
			9.30 am – 12.30 pm
April		11 th April	
May			
June	18 th June		4 th and 5 th June – 9.30
			am – 12.30 pm
July		8 th July	
August			
September	27 th September		26 th and 27 th
			September – 1.30 pm –
			4.30 pm
October		2 nd October	
November			
December	19 th December		



Personal Development Workshops

Assertiveness

This workshop is about helping you recognize your own type of behavior and how you come across to others. It will help you to identify situations in which you would like to be less aggressive or less passive and learn how to be assertive in these situations. The course will show you how to overcome your natural, instinctive behavior in situations and learn more effective responses.

What you will learn:

- What is assertive, aggressive, and passive behavior?
- What effect does this behavior have on you and others?
- Understanding our rights and responsibilities.
- Recognizing an assertive response.
- Three steps to assertive behavior
- Saying 'no' without feeling guilty.
- Comparing constructive criticism and destructive criticism.
- Dealing with criticism assertively.

2023 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	10 th January	19 th January	
February	15 th February		28 th and 29 th February
			– 1.30 pm – 4.30 pm
March		6 th March	
April			
May	2 nd May	9 th May	
June			
July		12 th July	
August	1 st August		
September		5 th September	
October	2 nd October		
November		5 th November	
December	2 nd December		19 th and 20 th
			December – 1.30 pm –
			4.30 pm



Better Business Writing

In this course we will look at what business writing is, how to do it and how to do it well. Although business writing can seem a little overwhelming to begin with, it can be relatively easy to learn – once you understand the basics of what is required.

What you will learn:

- <u>Introduction</u> why it's important and the benefits of good business writing, back to basics with grammar, punctuation, and spelling.
- <u>Writing with impact</u> be clear, write less, active verbs, setting the tone, using positive versus negative language, condescension, cliches and jargon, writing with your reader in mind, non-sexist language.
- **Structure and style** knowing your audience and knowing your purpose.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January		9 th January	
February	2 nd February		
March		14 th March	28 th March
April			
May	1 st May		
June			14 th June
July		17 th July	
August	16 th August		
September			
October		3 rd October	
November	15 th November		
December			



Communication Skills

This practical workshop is ideal for those who need to build effective working relationships or depend on effective communication in critical situations. It will also benefit those who would like to develop their own skills and confidence in communication generally.

What you will learn:

- Practical verbal and non-verbal communication
- The importance of rapport and how to build relationships.
- Methods of organizing your thinking to convey the message you really mean.
- To use precise questioning skills to control and move the conversation along.
- How to communicate carefully in difficult situations.
- How to resolve conflict and open up communication.
- How to implement changes on return to the office.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	18 th January		On demand
February		8 th February	On demand
March	15 th March		On demand
April		4 th April	On demand
May	14 th May		On demand
June	19 th June	6 th June	On demand
July		23 rd July	On demand
August			On demand
September	3 rd September		On demand
October	31 st October	14 th October	On demand
November		15 th November	On demand
December			On demand



Executive PA – 2-day workshop

This 2-day workshop is ideal for any PA looking to increase the contribution they make to their organisation. It is also aimed at secretaries who wish to develop and move up to the role of a PA.

What you will learn:

- To understand the role of the Executive PA
- To learn to communicate effectively at all levels.
- To organize your time and your boss's time more efficiently
- To understand how to set priorities and stick to them.
- To acquire basic management skills

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January		17 th and 18 th January	On demand
February			On demand
March			On demand
April		24 th and 25 th April	On demand
May	21st and 22nd May		On demand
June			On demand
July		24 th and 25 th July	On demand
August	20 th and 21 st August		On demand
September			On demand
October		16 th and 17 th October	On demand
November	12 th and 13 th November		On demand
December			On demand



Identify and Manage Stress

This course is designed to understand what stress is, where it comes from and how it can affect you and those around you. As well as what you can do about it.

What you will learn:

- Understand what stress means to you and how your body reacts to stress.
- Identify your own pressure and stress points at work and other areas in your life.
- Become aware of your body's warning signs.
- Understand how stress can become a useful tool for you to use to your benefit.
- Introduce practical tools and techniques to reduce and manage your stress.
- Develop a personal and practical plan of action to minimize and manage your stress.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			16 th January
February		5 th February	
March	4 th March		
April			
May		22 nd May	15 th May
June	11 th June		
July			
August		8 th August	
September	9 th September		
October			11 th October
November		7 th November	
December	3 rd December		



Influencing Skills

The aim of this course is to learn how to develop and apply the skills of influential communication.

What you will learn:

- To understand how we are influenced.
- How to tailor your communications for different people and situations.
- To communicate confidently and with purpose.
- How to put across complex ideas in simple, understandable ways.
- How to use non-verbal behavior to impact others.
- Influencing through feedback.
- Dealing with objections.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	17 th January		On demand
February		9 th February	On demand
March			On demand
April	3 rd April		On demand
May		8 th May	On demand
June			On demand
July	3 rd July		On demand
August		7 th August	On demand
September			On demand
October	3 rd October		On demand
November		29 th November	On demand
December			On demand



Leadership Skills

For managers who are developing into senior leaders. You are even less involved in the day-to-day delivery of the work; your success depends on your ability to manage your managers as well as mentor and inspire others. Your people skills need more finesse because there is more at stake; your emotional intelligence comes to the fore as people look to you to set the tone and the organizational culture. This course is going to show you the way of becoming an inspiring leader.

What you will learn:

- Identify the main types of leadership.
- Identify the main characteristics of different theories of leadership train, transactions etc.
- Demonstrate an ability to apply different leadership styles and characteristics to different business situations.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the advantages and disadvantages of different leadership approaches to a problem.
- Develop emotional intelligence skills.
- Demonstrate mentoring techniques.
- Understand the importance of starting with your 'why'.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January		8 th January	On demand
February	7 th February		On demand
March		5 th March	On demand
April	18 th April		On demand
May			On demand
June		3 rd June	On demand
July	4 th July		On demand
August			On demand
September		10 th September	On demand
October	7 th October		On demand
November			On demand
December		16 th December	On demand



Management Skills

As you develop as a manager you are even less involved in the day-to-day delivery of the work. Your success depends on your ability to manage your team, manage others who supervise and manage technical specialists. Your role is less about your technical skills and will demand even higher levels of people skills. Your coaching skills will need more finess as you may find yourself coaching supervisors and junior managers who act as coaches at their own level.

This course will help you develop the right people skills and keep you developing for future management roles. Ideal for those with some management experience, this course will help you benchmark your skills, trouble shoot pinch points and set the scene for middle levels of management.

What you will learn:

- Develop your team.
- Use different management approaches.
- Plan and attend productive meetings.
- Deal with disciplinary situations with confidence.
- Manage absence.
- Develop and conduct competency-based interviews.
- Structure inspiring coaching sessions

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			On demand
February	12 th February	1 st February	On demand
March			On demand
April			On demand
May		2 nd May	On demand
June	10 th June		On demand
July			On demand
August			On demand
September	4 th September		On demand
October		29 th October	On demand
November			On demand
December	10 th December		On demand



Meetings and Minutes

For anyone who organizes and takes minutes at meetings and those who would like to do this role to a professional standard.

What you will learn:

- The difference between formal and informal meetings.
- How to set out an agenda.
- Tips and techniques for note taking.
- The role of the minute taker
- What minutes are and the different styles of minutes.
- How to use appropriate language for minutes
- To learn how to produce appropriate minutes of a meeting.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	11 th January		31 st January
February		16 th February	29 th February
March	5 th March	22 nd March	
April		12 th April	26 th April
May	15 th May		
June	13 th June	12 th June	
July		18 th July	3 rd July
August	28 th August		
September		27 th September	
October			
November	19 th November		27 th November
December		3 rd December	



Presentation Skills – 2-day workshop

This 2-day course will help you hone your skills and give you the tools and space to practice delivering your message in a creative and confident manner. Classes are small and mainly experimental, allowing the trainer to focus and coach whilst reflecting on your particular challenges and requirements.

What you will learn:

- To overcome the natural fear of speaking to an audience and use nervousness to your advantage.
- To design a presentation that people remember.
- To understand and gain the non-verbal skills all good speakers need.
- To develop presence and confidence when speaking to a group.
- To connect with your audience and make them listen.
- To use pace to influence and impact listeners.
- To deliver engaging and memorable presentations.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			On demand
February	13 th and 14 th February		On demand
March		18 th and 19 th March	On demand
April	23 rd and 24 th April		On demand
May			On demand
June		24 th and 25 th June	On demand
July			On demand
August	14 th and 15 th August		On demand
September		11 th and 12 th September	On demand
October	15 th and 16 th October		On demand
November			On demand
December		11 th and 12 th	On demand
		December	



Professional Receptionist

This course is ideal for any staff who are representing the company in a front-line reception position or those who are asked to deputize in this important role from time to time. It is designed to address the importance challenges that receptionists face, in addition to learning effective verbal and visual communication skills; participants will learn how to interact successfully with even the most demanding individuals and situations.

What you will learn:

- To adopt appropriate telephone techniques
- To receive visitors professionally
- To direct calls correctly
- To deal with difficult people and situations
- To improve personal effectiveness

2023 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			On demand
February			On demand
March		4 th March	On demand
April	2 nd April		On demand
May			On demand
June		11 th June	On demand
July	8 th July		On demand
August			On demand
September		19 th September	On demand
October	1 st October		On demand
November			On demand
December		10 th December	On demand



Project Management Principles

This 2-day course is aimed at individuals who manage small projects, along with their other everyday tasks and need a broad understanding of the principles of project management. The course provides an overview of project management and introduces areas where other, more specific training may be beneficial.

What you will learn:

- Identify the various stages of the Project Lifecycle
- Understand how projects start the business case.
- Set objectives.
- Write a 'term of reference' for a project.
- Recognize the roles and responsibilities within a project.
- Understand the role of the project manager when managing individuals and teams.
- Understand the importance of a communication plan for a project.
- Plan a project using project management techniques, work breakdown, structures, estimating, resource loading and budgeting.
- Identify the critical path through a project.
- Understand basic elements of risk analysis and management as well as change management.
- Understand the importance of tracking project progress and project review.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January		23 rd and 24 th January	
February			
March	6 th and 7 th March		
April		29 th and 30 th April	
May			
June	25 th and 26 th June		
July			
August		26 th and 27 th August	
September	17 th and 18 th		
October	September		
November		20 th and 21 st	
		November	
December	17 th and 18 th		
	December		



Report Writing

This 1-day workshop will help you choose the correct style and tone for a report and clearly define your purpose. It will revisit the key principles of grammar, punctuation and spelling and is aimed at anyone involved in writing on behalf of their employer, and those for whom reports are or will be integral to their job role.

What you will learn:

- Understand the different types of reports you can write.
- Clearly define the purpose of your report
- Identify the key areas of a report, assess what should or should not be included in your report.
- Develop your report outline quickly and efficiently.
- Understand the key principles of grammar, punctuation, and spelling for use in your report.
- Express yourself effectively using plain English.
- Identify ways of writing with more impact
- Revise and correct your reports effectively.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			On demand
February		14 th February	On demand
March			On demand
April		17 th April	On demand
May	8 th May		On demand
June			On demand
July		10 th July	On demand
August	7 th August		On demand
September			On demand
October			On demand
November	6 th November	13 th November	On demand
December			On demand



Speedwriting

This course is ideal for anyone involved in taking notes at all levels in both work and personal life. The course is particularly beneficial to those for whom taking minutes or dictation is an integral part of their role. You will learn how to write in a reduced and efficient way to help you save time taking dictation, writing notes, recording minutes, or taking lecture notes.

What you will learn:

- The basic principles and theory of speedwriting using the BakerWrite system.
- Silent letters and vowels, phonetics and prefixes, exercises, and dictation practice.
- More prefixes, use of subscript and superscript, exercises, and dictation practice.
- Suffixes, exercises, and dictation practice

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom
			Dates
January	19 th January		On demand
February		28 th February	On demand
March			On demand
April			On demand
May			On demand
June			On demand
July	16 th July		On demand
August		30 th August	On demand
September			On demand
October	9 th October		On demand
November		11 th November	On demand
December			On demand



Supervisory Skills – 2- day workshop

This course is designed for new supervisors/team leaders/managers or those in these roles who have not received any formal supervisory skills training. The aim of this 2-day workshop is to provide participants with a range of skills, methodologies, and techniques to enhance their ability to supervise people, tasks and change effectively.

What you will learn:

- How to become a credible supervisor
- How to communicate successfully, using verbal and non-verbal communication, asking specific questions and active listening.
- How to prioritize tasks and manage their time more effectively.
- How to delegate appropriate tasks productively.
- How to make well informed decisions
- How to motivate team members to deliver desired results
- How to build a positive working environment
- How to deal with challenging team members and work situations

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January		30 th and 31 st January	On demand
February			On demand
March	12 th and 13 th March		On demand
April		15 th and 16 th April	On demand
May			21 st , 22nd, 23 rd and
			24 th May – 1.30 pm –
			4.30 pm
June	4 th and 5 th June		On demand
July		15 th and 16 th July	On demand
August			On demand
September	24 th and 25 th		On demand
	September		
October		8 th and 9 th October	On demand
November			On demand
December	4 th and 5 th December		On demand



Telephone Techniques

This 1-day workshop has been developed for people who would like to improve their telephone communication skills. It is particularly aimed at those who use the telephone as an important part of their job role.

What you will learn:

- Improved communication skills
- The importance of voice and attitude
- Listening skills and questioning techniques.
- To sound confident and helpful
- To understand the caller's needs
- To handle awkward calls
- To take messages
- To hand over and re-route a call.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January			On demand
February	1 st February		On demand
March		1 st March	On demand
April			On demand
May	23 rd May		On demand
June		13 th June	On demand
July			On demand
August	6 th August		On demand
September		23 rd September	On demand
October			On demand
November	18 th November		On demand
December		17 th December	On demand



Time Management

This workshop is ideal for anyone who wishes to improve their self-managing techniques, achieve more in their working day and gain more balance in their lives. Spending 1-day learning how to manage your time – will save you hours!

What you will learn:

- To take an objective look at how you spend your time at work.
- To prioritize effectively
- How to establish short- and long-term goals and to achieve results.
- To be aware of your own style in dealing with work and how this helps to manage yourself more effectively.

"Well – arranged time is the surest mark of a well-arranged mind" – Sir Isaac Pitman

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	12 th January		
February		6 th February	
March	11 th March		
April		26 th April	11 th and 12 th April
May	7 th May	16 th May	
June		21 st June	
July	2 nd July		
August	27 th August	13 th August	28 th and 29 th August
September			
October		10 th October	24 th and 25 th October
November	22 nd November		
December		18 th December	



Train the Trainer – 3- day workshop

This course will introduce participants to the issues, methodologies and techniques of training design and delivery. Each day consists of practical experience as well as hundreds of useful tips and techniques. The first part of the course concentrates on the design and structure of training as a learning tool; it then moves on to presentation, delivery, and facilitation so each day builds up to complete a full training methodology. Attendees will be presenting their own short training on the final day, to put into practice everything they learn throughout the sessions.

What you will learn:

- Identify training needs.
- Define and create aims and objectives that fit within an organizational perspective.
- Design training sessions
- Deliver training sessions that incorporate the trainer's personality metaphors, stories and humor.
- Evaluate training interventions.
- Dealing with difficult delegates.

2024 Schedule	Edinburgh Dates	Glasgow Dates	Virtual Classroom Dates
January	23 rd , 24 th and 25 th		On demand
	January		
February		20 th , 21 st and 22 nd	On demand
		February	
March			On demand
April	8 th , 9 th and 10 th April		On demand
May		28 th , 29 th and 30 th May	On demand
June			On demand
July	9 th , 10 th and 11 th July		On demand
August		20 th , 21 st and 22 nd	On demand
		August	
September			On demand
October	21 st , 22 nd and 23 rd		On demand
	October		
November		26 th , 27 th and 28 th	On demand
		November	
December			On demand



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