



**The Institution of
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Education programme

DEGREE LEVEL COURSE

The Institution of Railway Operators offers a Degree Course in partnership with Glasgow Caledonian University (GCU). The next course commences in October 2006 and applications must be received by 1 July. Students successfully completing the course will be awarded a B.Sc. and be eligible for full membership of the Institution.

The courses provide in depth knowledge on a variety of subjects that are key to being a successful railway operations manager.

The course is divided into a number of modules, each of which has been written and developed by experienced managers in that particular field. Tutors designated to mark and provide feedback on each module are also highly experienced and have been accredited by GCU. All students and tutors are supported by GCU throughout the programme.

The course consists of the following modules:

- Personal and Professional Development through Work-Based Learning;
- Managing Passenger and Freight Operations;
- Safety Law and Management (Part 2);
- Train Planning and Performance Management (Part 2);
- Train Movement Control Systems;
- Emergency Planning, Mishap Management and Investigation;
- Railway Engineering;
- Railway Economics; and

- Integrated Work-Based Project.

Candidates will be required to undertake study of web-based or other supplied materials, additional recommended reading and research, analysis of case studies and project work. It is estimated that at least seven hours study per week will be required each year.

It is estimated that students will take up to 24 months to complete the programme.

The course fee will be £2,095 for employees of Corporate Members and £2,450 for other candidates. Your employer may be willing to fund your educational study.

The fee covers a two-night, hotel-based study weekend that includes guest speakers from the rail industry, syndicate work and visits to key centres of rail activity. It also includes administration, tutor and mentor costs.

Assessment will be based on course and project work and by interview at an end-of-course assessment panel.

Applications will be dealt with on a first-come, first-served basis, though it is vital that potential applicants carefully consider their ability to undertake such a course, along with work and personal commitments, and that they gain support from their employer.

Full details can be found on our website: www.railwayoperators.org, or by contacting our Education Programme Administrator, Mike Hill on 01344 875328.

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Have you got experience of operating the railway? Would you like professional recognition, development and work-based academic qualifications?

The Institution of Railway Operators exists to provide a professional structure and qualifications for people with knowledge and experience of operating the railway, at all levels. The Board comprises a wide cross-section of people from across the railway industry, each representing a different sector, discipline or special interest group.

An information pack is available for anyone interested in finding out more about the Institution and its education programme. Please contact Claire Wickes at the above address if you would like a pack for yourself or colleagues.

DIARY OF EVENTS

SCOTTISH AND IRISH AREA

For information on all Scottish events and matters, contact Scottish@railwayoperators.org or phone Jim Summers, acting chairman on 01324 625284

MIDLANDS AREA

Monday 15 May – An emergency training exercise run by Link Associates, Trent House, Derby

June – summer outing visit to Great Central Railway

To contact the Midlands Area on any subject, please call Julia Stanyard on 0121 345 5030 or email: Midlands@railwayoperators.org

SOUTH EAST AREA

Monday 15 May – Operations Masterclass – Richard Bowker, CBE, former chairman of the Strategic Rail Authority will talk on 'Railway economics for operators'

Monday 10 July – 'Basic Signalling' Operations Master Class

Monday 18 September – Speaker (TBA)

Monday 20 November – 'Track for Operators' Operations Master Class

All South East Area meetings take place at the Union Jack Club, Sandell Street, Waterloo. Doors open at 18:00 and the talks commence at 18:30. To contact the South East area on any subject email: Southeast@railwayoperators.org

NORTH EAST AREA

All North East Area meetings normally take place at 17:30 for 18:00, at York. For further news on the IRO in the North East email us at: Northeast@railwayoperators.org

NORTH WEST AREA

Wednesday, 24 May – a visit to the new Transpennine Express depot at Ardwick. Details of this event will be circulated to North West Area members nearer the time.

To contact the North West area on any matter, please contact Clive Evans on 01270 629009 or email us at: Northwest@railwayoperators.org

SOUTH WEST AREA

The South West Area is hosting an all-day event on **Monday 8 May** focusing on the construction of Heathrow Airport Terminal 5 project, including the rail link. The visit will start at Paddington at 11:00

for a presentation by Lawrie Hall (chairman, South West Area) and Bentley Solutions of Horsham on 'signal sighting in a black hole – virtual reality modelling'. A buffet lunch will be provided. We will travel, courtesy of Heathrow Express, on the 12:25 to Heathrow Terminal 4 where a coach will pick us up for the tour of T5 lasting approximately two hours. We will then be conveyed back to Paddington by Heathrow Express. There are 30 spaces available on this trip – please contact Lawrie Hall on 07891 231738, or 01453 822150.

For information on all other South West events and matters, contact Lawrie Hall on 01453 822150 or email: Southwest@railwayoperators.org

IMECHE CONFERENCE

IRO members of all grades are invited to participate in an important conference this summer, which the IRO is co-sponsoring, and which is being organised by the IMechE for the whole railway industry.

**OLYMPIC RAILWAYS
21-22 June 2006**

The Institution of Mechanical Engineers

1 Birdcage Walk,
London

Keynote speaker: Hugh Sumner, Olympic Transport Director, TfL
On 6 July 2005 London won the bid to host the 2012 Olympic Games: 16 days of Olympics followed by 12 days for the Paralympics. Transportation will play a vital role in the success of the 2012 Olympics.

This Conference is the platform for UK railway engineers to demonstrate that they are already working to meet their Olympic challenge.

To book a place or to find out who will be presenting go to www.imeche.org.uk/events/olympics or alternatively you can contact Sian Clayton on 0207 973 1245, e-mail: sclayton@imeche.org.uk

As a member of a co-sponsoring organisation, IRO members will be entitled to the IMechE member price for this event, which represents a significant cost saving. IRO members of all grades should select 'Member of co-sponsoring organisation' when registering, in order to take advantage of this special offer.

MEMBERS' NEWS

The following employers operate a corporate membership scheme, by paying a one-off annual fee that covers all their employees' Affiliate or Associate membership subscriptions. Those with full Membership will continue to pay their subscription personally, irrespective of whether they can subsequently claim it back. Please note that, as the IRO's subscriptions are tax-deductible, a receipt will be issued for all payments, whether by cheque, standing order or internet payment.

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• Stagecoach Rail • South West Trains • Sheffield Supertram • Arriva Trains Wales • South Eastern Railway
• Island Line • London Lines • Silverlink Trains • c2c Rail
• Gatwick Express • Midland Mainline

If your company would like to explore the benefits of corporate membership of the Institution, please contact us. We welcome applications from all industry companies, suppliers and associations – please contact Chris Daughton on 01444 248931 or admin@railwayoperators.org

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