Future Leaders Programme 2019

(with visit to Auschwitz, Poland)

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With the raw deal young people are currently getting in the workplace and the cloud of uncertainty cast by an ageing membership, the trade union movement urgently needs more young activists, organisers and leaders.

These young activists, organisers and leaders are needed to not only help make life better for today’s young workers, but also continue to win for all workers in the future.

That’s why this year, TUC Northern and TUC North West are running an exciting new skills-based development programme, to help the young workers of today become the activists and leaders of tomorrow!

The Future Leaders Programme 2019 will enable participants to develop skills in:

* campaigning to bring positive change to the workplace and the community;
* organising to help reinvigorate the trade union movement; and
* leading others.

As well as developing these skills, the programme will also inform and educate participants about one of the movement’s most pressing issues, the rise of the far right, and hopefully inspire them to work with other young workers to help tackle it.

About the programme

The programme consists of the following:

* two one-day preliminary workshops;
* a five-day visit to Auschwitz and Krakow, Poland, to learn about the Holocaust;
* a campaign planning workshop; and
* the delivery of a local campaign during Young Workers Month 2019 (November).

Preliminary workshops

The exact content of the preliminary workshops is yet to be confirmed as we would like the young workers taking part to shape it. However, potential topics include:

* the history of the far right and the role of unions in tackling it;
* promoting equality and tackling racism in the workplace and communities;
* how to build an effective campaign (including digital skills);
* organising young workers; and/or
* leading discussions.

Five-day visit to Auschwitz and Krakow, Poland

The programme for the five-day visit to Auschwitz and Krakow is:

Day 1: arrive in Krakow, Poland

Day 2: Kazimierz, Podgorze, Schindler’s factory/Museum, Plaszow Camp and memorial, Krakow Jewish Quarter.

Day 3: Auschwitz 1 Camp

Day 4: Auschwitz 2 Birkenau

Day 5: Free time before flying home

A more detailed, final programme will be provided prior to departure.

Applying for the programme

There are 20 places available on the programme in total. 10 places for trade union members/activists/reps from the Northern region and 10 places for trade union members/activists/reps from the North West region.

Applicants must be sponsored by their union/branch to participate. Sponsorship must be confirmed via the application form (page 5).

Unions will be initially limited to two applicants per union, per region.

Closing date for applications is the 24 June 2019. However, if we reach capacity before this date, we may close applications early. Therefore, we recommend that applications are submitted as soon as possible in order to guarantee a place.

All applications are to be submitted via the Northern TUC Young Leaders Programme Application Form (page 5).

If you would like to submit your application in an alternative format, please email Helena Hammock at [hhammock@tuc.org.uk](mailto:hhammock@tuc.org.uk).

Cost

All costs will be covered by the sponsoring union/branch.

The estimated cost of the visit to Auschwitz and Krakow is £350. This includes:

* four nights’ accommodation, including breakfast;
* all entrance fees and tour guide; and
* all travel to and from locations listed in the visit programme.

The cost will be payable to the TUC, upon final costs being calculated, by the sponsoring union/branch.

Flights are to be booked by the sponsoring union directly. The flights booked must enable the participant to be at the Krakow hotel lobby and ready to leave by 9am on Tuesday 15 October.

Please do not book any flights until your place on the programme has been confirmed by TUC Northern.

Some suggested flights are outlined in the table below:

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| OUTBOUND | | | | RETURN | | |
| Departure Airport | Airline | Date | Time | Airline | Date | Time |
| Newcastle | Jet2 | Monday 14/10/2019 | 16:40 - 20:15 | Jet2 | Friday 18/10/2019 | 19:35 - 21:20 |
| Manchester | Ryanair | Monday 14/10/2019 | 10:50 - 14:30 | Ryanair | Friday 18/10/2019 | 14:55 - 16:40 |

Travel to and from UK airports, and from Krakow airport to the hotel, are to be covered by the sponsoring union/branch.

All other costs (e.g. lunch, dinner and other food and drink) will be covered via the expenses policy of the sponsoring union/branch.

In addition to the above, Unions will be expected to cover any costs associated with travel to and from the preliminary workshops. It is intended that one session will be held in the North West and one session in the North East.

Timescales

The programme will run from August to November, as outlined in the table below:

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| Programme item | Date |
| Two one-day preliminary workshops | August/September 2019 |
| A five-day visit to Auschwitz and Krakow, Poland, to learn about the Holocaust | Monday 14 October – Friday 18 October 2019 |
| Campaign planning workshop | Late October 2019 |
| Delivery of a local campaign during Young Workers Month 2019 | November 2019 |

Future Leaders Programme Application Form

Closing date for applications is midday on Monday 24 June 2019

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| Section 1: Personal details | |
| Surname |  |
| Title |  |
| First (and any middle) name(s) |  |
| Address |  |
| Post code |  |
| Contact number | Daytime:  Mobile: |
| Email address |  |
| Nationality |  |
| Passport number |  |
| Passport expiry date |  |
| Date of Birth |  |
| Emergency contact | |
| Contact full name |  |
| Relationship to you |  |
| Contact number | Primary contact no.:  Second contact no.: |

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| Section 2: Trade Union details | | |
| Trade Union of which you are a member | |  |
| Trade Union role e.g. officer, rep (if applicable) | |  |
| Section 3: Consent | | |
| The above information is being collected in order to help organise travel, accommodation and security for your trip to Poland. Therefore, this information may be shared with third parties for the purpose of making these arrangements. It will not be used for any other purposes. By applying for this programme and submitting this form you are agreeing to your data being used in this way. | | |
| TUC unionlearn will be taking part in this programme and they have requested your personal data to be shared with them to:   * Send information about future TUC unionlearn events and training courses; * Update you on latest news, resources and publications from TUC unionlearn; and * Contact you for any future research conducted by TUC unionlearn or our funder Department for Education.   Please indicate you are happy for TUC unionlearn to contact you in this way by ticking this box: | | |
|  | I give my consent to my email address being added to the TUC Northern mailing list for updates on their activities, events & campaigns. | |
| Section 4: Support for applicant | | |
| To apply for the Future Leaders Programme you must obtain the support of your trade union (including a guarantee of financial sponsorship). Please provide the following details (the approving TU officer may be the same as the officer who signs to confirm financial sponsorship). | | |
| Trade union officer approving application | | Name:  Signature: |
| Union | |  |
| Position | |  |
| Contact number | |  |
| Email address | |  |
| Financial sponsorship endorsement | | |
| Region or branch offering financial sponsorship | |  |
| Name of regional or branch officer | |  |
| Region or branch position | |  |
| Contact number | |  |
| Email address | |  |
| Signature  I certify that the above named region/branch will sponsor the applicant (in the region of £X) | |  |

Signature of applicant ……………………………………………………………. Date…………………………