

EFFECTIVE ACTIVISM SUMMER SCHOOL



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Are you a young person with a passion for social justice and activism? Do you want to learn from activists and change-makers working in Northern Ireland civic society and community voluntary sector? If so, these 6 days Summer School is for you.

ABOUT THIS PROGRAMME

IS IT FOR ME?

This programme is open to young people 13-24 from any background who want to understand the context for and learn the tools to effect change.

This is a summer school with a difference: you will join local activists, journalist, academics and politicians as you contribute directly to a country -wide movement of change.

We want you to share your experiences and knowledge in interactive and reflective sessions that invite you to think about Northern Ireland as an inclusive society that respect and appreciates diversity through its policies and practices.

Effective Activism Summer school offers a mixture of fun activities and informal intercultural learning. You can expect a variety of learning experiences and should plan to commit to 6 hours a day for 5 days to earn your space at the learning exchange trip to Let's Go Hydro in Belfast!

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WHAT IS IT ABOUT?

The Summer School is a unique event which aims to bring together young people from different backgrounds who are new to Solution Focused Practices with leading change makers from around N. Ireland.

Summer school is part of our Effective Activism project which is focussed on a specific campaign to tackle racial inequalities and to open up opportunities for all residents of Northern Ireland.

Summer school provides an opportunity to learn more about Integration challenges faced by minority ethnic communities in Northern Ireland including the common Travel area limitations and develop activism skills and confidence to advocate, mobilize and campaign for change of policy to extend rights and privileges to our minoritized communities in the island of Ireland.

A great way to get started, a great way to connect with diverse communities, a great way to brush up skills, a great way to re-energise, re organise and a great place to meet effective change makers!

If you are free on Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 21- 26 August and decide to join us, Senator Eileen Flynn, Amanda Ferguson, Ivanka, Hannah Davies, Gerald Deane, Brian Dougherty and Sean Doran will be in your presence supporting you to develop your effective activism skills, effective messaging, organising and campaign strategies which are vital to change of policies that may be hindering integration and good relations between and within communities.

Number of participants: 70

Location: City Hotel and St Columbs Park

Time: 10:30 am-5pm

Additions: Lunch and refreshment provided

Activities: Walking to St. Columbs Park, icebreakers, team building activities including a trip to Belfast Lets go hydro and workshops

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21st August

GET TO KNOW ME;
team building activities

INTRODUCTION TO
Effective Activism:

What is Activism?
What is Social Activism?
How and why do people
collectively and socially
mobilise?

DISCUSSION POINT:
Can Social Activism bring
about social change?

10 Ways you can engage in
Community Activism to
influence positive Social
Change

SPEAKERS/CONTRIBUTORS

IVANKA ANTOVA
United Against Racism

AVILA KILMURRAY
Social change initiative

CLLR SHAUN HARKIN - PBP
Panel member

PANEL MEMBERS TBC

NAOMI GREEN
Panel Discussion Moderator

22nd August

NORTHERN IRELAND;
COMMUNITY, POLITICAL
AND GOVERNMENT
STRUCTURES

THE GOOD FRIDAY
AGREEMENT:
What is it and how did it
come about?

PANEL DISCUSSION POINT
Good Relations in NI;
A myth or a possibility?

SPEAKERS/CONTRIBUTORS

SEAN DORAN
Facilitator/Youth Support

GERALD DEANE
Holywell Trust - Guest Speaker

MATTHEW FULTON
Progressive politics

CONFIRMED PANEL MEMBERS:

CLLR BRIAN TIERNEY-SDLP
TSHAMANO MUSHAPO
NAOMI GREEN

AJUMA SALIFU
Panel Discussion Moderator

23rd August

EFFECTIVE SOCIAL
ACTIVISM AND SOCIAL
CHANGE.

UNDERSTANDING THE
ROLE OF CULTURAL
POLITICS AND SOCIAL
CHANGE MOVEMENTS

DISCUSSION POINT:

THE CULTURAL AND
POLITICAL AWARENESS
IN NI; ARE WE TOO
YOUNG TO NOTICE OR
GET INVOLVED?

SPEAKERS/CONTRIBUTORS

SENATOR EILEEN FLYNN
Irish Independent Politician

PETER OSBORNE
Former Chair CRC

BRIAN DOUGHERTY
Londonderry Bands Forum

SIPHO SIBANDA
Panel member

PETER OSBORNE
Panel Discussion Moderator

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24th August

**SOCIAL ACTION;
CHANGE OF CTA RULES**

**CTA- IS IT A RIGHT OR A
PRIVILEGE?**

**WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO
CHANGE CTA RULES?
DEBATE OR DIALOGUE?**

SPEAKERS/CONTRIBUTORS

COUMILAH MANJOO
Panel Discussion Moderator

CONFIRMED PANEL MEMBERS:

AJUMA SALIFU

CLAIR HANNAH MP
MARTINA ANDERSON MLA

25th August

**CAMPAIGN
/COMMUNICATION
STRATEGIES**

**MESSAGING STRATEGIES;
EFFECTIVE ACTIVISM**

**GENUINE SOCIAL MEDIA
ACTIVISM TO INFLUENCE
POSITIVE SOCIAL CHANGE**

SPEAKERS/CONTRIBUTORS

NICOLA BROWNE
Act Now NI

Amanda Ferguson
Freelance journalist

MATTHEW FULTON
Progressive politics

26th August

**END OF SUMMER SCHOOL
LEARNING EXCHANGE AND
TEAM BUILDING TRIP**

**VISIT TO DIVERSE YOUTH
CENTRE- BELFAST**

**TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITY:
LOCATION; LET'S GO HYDO**

**SUPPORTING STAFF OF
NWMF AND VOLUNTEERS
WILL BE AVAILABLE ALL
THE SUMMER SCHOOL**

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Summer school Programme

<p>Objective</p> <p>TBUC Priority Areas</p>	<p>TO DEVELOP NETWORKS OF COMMUNICATION, TRUST AND CO-OPERATION BETWEEN DIVIDED COMMUNITIES.</p> <p>KEY PRIORITY 1: OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE</p> <p>Outcome 1.1 – Improving Attitudes between young people from different backgrounds</p> <p>Outcome 1.2 – Young people engaging in bringing the community together</p>
<p>CR Theme</p>	<p>Cultural Diversity (Promotion/celebration of diversity) - Work on multi-cultural projects involving minority ethnic communities to promote integration, cultural diversity, understanding of different cultures/traditions and to help reduce racism, mistrust and isolation.</p>