

Your Monthly Newsletter on all key information for you to know as a course rep from the Students' Union

LATEST NEWS

Your Education Officer, Rachel Williams

As part of the Sabbatical Officer's *Decolonising UAL* priority, Rachel has been working hard on a campaign regarding 'Modernising Course Resources'. This project aims to ensure that all courses at UAL are diverse and representative of the students studying on them. Arts SU wants a commitment from all UAL Colleges on a less Eurocentric curriculum, with syllabuses, course texts, guests speakers and case studies from a range of cultures, races and backgrounds.

Since the beginning of the Academic Year, Rachel has been involved with the conception and planning of this project. Pilot Workshops have recently taken place with two CCW courses, which sought to educate both students and staff on Decolonisation and diverse teaching & learning methods. Rachel is now providing feedback to continue to improve the project, looking at how we can bring these discussions beyond the workshop and into the classroom, in order to actively deconstruct systematic barriers to learning and ensure that UAL is sector-leading in

their approach to equality and diversity within its courses.



Important Information For Course Reps

Rep Winter Social

Come along to Blueprint Café, 272 High Holborn on Wednesday 1st December 3pm – 5pm to meet other course reps, enjoy some free drinks and food and even take part in the card making for the lonely (if you want too). This is our opportunity to say thanks for all of your hard work over the last term and for you to relax with other reps.

[Get your tickets here](#)

Arts SU Annual Members Meeting – 29th November 5pm - 6.15pm

The SU will hold its virtual annual big meeting where there will be discussion and votes on the SU's response to UCU Strike Action and other ideas submitted by students .

[Get your ticket here.](#)

Rep Development Training

If you still need to attend the skills development workshops, then we have added two more dates. Please sign up by clicking on the dates below.

[Tuesday 30 November 2021 - 2pm - 4pm](#)

[Thursday 09 December 2021 - 1pm - 3pm](#)

Rep Drop-ins

Online zoom sessions for you to drop-in to and ask us any questions about your role as a course rep.

[Friday 26 November 2021 - 11am – 1pm](#)

[Monday 06 December 2021 12 noon - 2pm](#)

Arts SU – Support & Activities

Arts Active

The Arts Active Program is now up and running. The program is designed to encourage you to get active and look after your wellbeing in a relaxing and social environment.

For more info on the Arts Active Program and timetable, visit: [Arts Active \(arts-su.com\)](https://arts-su.com)

Arts SU Advice Service

[Your Students' Union Advice Service](#) is here to offer support if you find yourself in a difficult situation whilst studying at UAL. We provide independent and non-judgemental advice to all students on a range of matters.

We welcome referrals from course reps on individual or wider issues that may be affecting you and your peers. Please do feel free to use our contact form or book an appointment where we can discuss your options and empower your next steps.

Information on the UCU Strike Action – 1st- 3rd December

The SU has put together an information guide to support students through the strike action planned next month. [View Here](#).

OPPORTUNITIES

Come work for us in the SU Representation team

We are looking for a Representation assistant (paid student staff role) to support our work in the team. The role is flexible (7 hours a week during term time) and applications are open now until the Friday 3rd December midday.

[Apply Here](#)

Submit your work to be showcased in Xhibit 2022

Showcasing the best emerging creatives from UAL, Xhibit is our annual exhibition open to all current students, you can be at any level and studying any discipline to apply. There are no themes or constraints.

The exhibition reflects the diverse range of creativity at UAL and offers those involved a unique chance for collaboration, exhibition and development - championing their work to a wider audience.

[More information on the Arts SU website.](#)

Apply to sell your work and be represented by Made in Arts London

Want to learn how to showcase your work commercially (and hopefully make a few sales while you're studying!) but don't know where to start - apply to Made in Arts London!

Made in Arts London is a not-for-profit enterprise run by the Arts SU's Arts Programme team. Our main aim is to support emerging creatives to

sustain their practice outside and beyond university. More information can be found on [our website](#).

The Big Question

Arts SU want to hear about your experience as a student! Fill in their survey to be in with a chance of winning some AMAZING prizes including £500 of shopping vouchers, an iPad Mini and Beast by Dre headphones.

[Take the survey now](#)

Policy Digest

Below we have included some suggested readings from different news platforms on the topic of higher education.

[Does the government really care about academic freedom?](#)

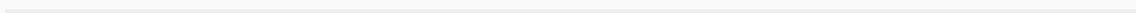
[Where are all the creative arts PhDs?](#)

[NUS New Vision For Education Campaign](#)

BEFORE WE GO...

If you would like to contribute content for future newsletters or have an idea you want to share - lets us know in the Teams group or send us an email at

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