



Welcome to the second edition of 'The Newsletter'. Thank you to those of you who have contributed to this edition. This newsletter is delivered to all those on the equality and diversity forum mailing list and is the perfect opportunity for you to let other students know about your upcoming events & campaigns. If you would like to contribute to the next edition please email j.ruhani@leedsmet.ac.uk no later than noon on a Friday for inclusion.

Don't miss out on the first Equality & Diversity Forum Meeting of the year or the chance to join student council as a Diversity Rep

ELECTIONS

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Run to be a Diversity Rep

Represent thousands of students, sit on the student council and make a difference. This exciting opportunity to be a rep is something you simply can't miss. For more information read this information pack online [here](#)

Elections are held at the equality and diversity forum meeting 5pm-7.15pm Mon 10th Oct | Meeting at the City Campus Student Union 'stage'

What positions can I run for?

Our elections run on a principle of self-definition, e.g. only those who identify as disabled can run and vote in the election of the disabled rep. You can run for any of the below reps but you cannot run for more than one position.

- Womens rep
- Disabled rep
- Black rep
- LGBTQ (lesbian Gay Bi Trans & Queer) rep
- Interfaith rep
- International students rep
- Students with caring responsibilities rep

Why is voting for a rep so important?

Diversity Reps sit on the highest democratic body in our students union- the student representative council. These people influence policy and the direction of the entire organisation. It's important that you come to the first meeting to cast your votes; to influence the students union.

Equality and Diversity Forum 'gathering'

FREE EVENT, FREE FOOD & FREE THINKING

Meet people from a variety of views, cultures and backgrounds. There will also be an 'open call' element where any student can request that we put on an event, campaign or meeting.

The program covers issues such as

- **Multifaith Pray rooms**
- **Reclaim the night Leeds**
- **Challenging perceptions on disability**

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Why do you have this forum 'gathering'

It's our way of showcasing the good work we do in equality and diversity. This event is also an amazing opportunity for you to set the movement of the union- what you think we should be doing, what your views are and how do we address them.

Events

Equality and Diversity Forum Meeting

A collision of exciting discussion, free food, presentations and more. It's a great place to meet new people from different backgrounds and cultures and to share your views. Do not miss this event!

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Teddy bears story time

Exciting Black history month themed event for all student guardians and parents; stories from around the world told by a trained story teller on loan from Leeds central Library. Great way to meet other student parents and local parents too.

2.30-4.30pm Tues 11th Oct | Carnegie Hall, Room G14, Headingley Campus

Progressive Students Conference

An annual conference 'for peace, equality and education for all'. Admission costs £4 –please email info@progressivestudents.co.uk in advance to guarantee place. Travel arrangements are the responsibility of attendees- you can find good deals on trains and coaches if booking early.

more information about the conference [here](#)

10am-6pm Sat 22nd Oct | University of London Union, Malet Street, London

OCTOBER IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

If you have any upcoming events for Black history month or events in general let us know and we will add it to the newsletter.

Be a Vlogger

We are looking for students to make video blogs on youtube. Your videos will be sent to all those on the equality and diversity mailing list and beyond. So if your interested in making a 2-3min 'rant' every week and want to share your thoughts email j.ruhani@leedsmet.ac.uk by 6th Oct

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