The Global Leadership Experience brings together passionate and aspirational young people from all around the world to explore the challenges shaping your planet and our future, whilst taking you on a journey towards becoming the changemakers and innovators to address these challenges.

Learning to lead, building critical thinking and decision-making skills and developing a global perspective to help create change in yourself is a good thing. Using those skills to generate ideas for social impact and be an advocate for positive change in the world - that is a great thing. The Global Leadership Experience is your chance to bring it all together.

In a 12th Century castle by the sea in Wales, every day is packed with new experiences - from exploring the complex systems of the world (why some work and why others simply don’t) to developing your own answers to the BIG ethical, social, environmental, political, geographic and economic questions that impact the lives of everyone. Through thought-provoking workshops, insightful discussions and comfort stretching outdoor activities, you will be invited to develop the 21st Century leadership needed at a global, local and personal level.

"Develop leadership, insight and experience; challenge your way of thinking to help you choose the best way forward; experience life at UWC Atlantic and make lasting friendships."

Tom Partridge
Head of UWC Atlantic Experience
UWC Atlantic
The Global Leadership Experience seeks to build a community of young thinkers and doers from across the globe committed to innovative and ethical leadership. The programme has been broken down into four key phases, based on an adapted Golden Circle model, which supports you in answering four key questions:

**WHO – Who am I?**
Through activities steeped in experiences you will be challenged to explore what comprises your identity, your values, your passions and your strengths. You will begin to explore what leadership means to you and uncover who the leader that lies within you is.

**HOW – How can I influence change in my community?**
You will meet and hear from a variety of leaders from different sectors, that will expose you to multiple ways of influencing change - from being a politician to organising a lifeboat rescue programme. Through these experiences you will better be able to identify the strengths you wish to draw on to positively impact your communities.

**WHY – What is my 'why'?**
By diving deep into the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, you will gain a deeper understanding of the global challenges we currently face. You will investigate the root and impact of these challenges at a local and global level. In doing so, you will better be able identify the issues that you most deeply care about and your motivation to influence change - your why!

**WHAT – What am I actually going to do?**
Following a human-centred design thinking approach, you will work together with people from around the world to creatively and effectively design the actions you will take to become the changemaker.
Thought-provoking experiential workshops

Inspirational global social and sustainability leader talks

Dynamic debates with peers from diverse cultural backgrounds

2 days of Challenging outdoor adventures immersed in nature

Cardiff culture trip and beach day

Fun games, sports, gala dinner and activities to relax, bond, and grow

A practice of personal reflection

“Umbrella groups were my favourite part of the whole experience. This was a space which allowed us to be ourselves and it made us think about everything that was happening during each day. The experience wouldn’t be full without them.”

Former participant
Critical Exploration
Through experiential education designed and delivered by Critical Engagement CIC, you will have the chance to develop strong foundations for critical thinking and personal engagement with issues of identity, diversity and social responsibility. Through a variety of different workshops and activities, you will explore what makes you the person and aspiring leader that you are, how this can shape your changemaking ambitions and what leadership is fit for the future world you envision.

Design Thinking
In order to develop your skills in influencing change in the communities around you, you will be led through a human-centred design thinking process to translate your understanding of the global challenges into tangible actions you will take positively to impact those around you.

Leadership in Action and Reflection
The greatest lessons are learnt from practice and reflection. You will have the chance to directly practice what you learn by taking a lead in shaping and delivering sessions and events throughout the week – from evening games to the final gala. In order to draw out your personal learnings, you will be part of a smaller umbrella group. Guided by a facilitator, you will have the opportunity to reflect upon the day’s activities, alone and together, to more deeply understand your own personal journey.

Outdoor Adventures
Drawing upon the resources that the beautiful surroundings offer, you will be challenged to develop your leadership skills through creative and exciting outdoor adventures. Whether climbing down seafront cliffs or scrambling through the Brecon Beacons, you will (safely) be invited to push beyond your comfort zone, connect with natural places and work together with your peers to overcome your fears whilst discovering your strengths and potential.
As part of GLE, international students living outside of the UK will benefit from GuardMe COVID specific insurance as part of the course fee, to provide additional cover for COVID related cancellation.

The policy provides cover for participant cancellation in the event of:

- Having a positive case of COVID at the start date of the course, prohibiting them to join. Cover provided is up to the value of £7,500
- COVID medical cover up to £10 million
- Flight and accommodation cover for participant and guardian should they be required to isolate in the UK and/or fly to the UK to provide care
COURSE INFORMATION

The course will be held at UWC Atlantic from Thursday 20th July to Thursday 3rd August 2023. Applications are open to 15-17 year olds. GLE is delivered in English, therefore all participants must be able to communicate in the English language.

FEES

£2,595 GBP per person, includes all boarding, catering, activity fees and GuardMe insurance. Price is also inclusive of optional transfer to/from Heathrow Airport. The fee does not include flights, participant spending money, visa fees or travel costs outside of the transfers.

SUPPLEMENTS

Additional charges that you may incur as a fee to GLE are as follows:

- If you plan to use the unaccompanied minor airline service a fee of £75 GBP per person applies to cover the additional staffing requirements
- If you have unexpected changes to travel a fee of £200 GBP per person plus additional transport costs (i.e. taxis) applies

SCHOLARSHIPS

The capacity of GLE is 45 participants of which up to 10 places are allocated to ASFYL scholarships. If you require financial assistance, you must apply via the scholarship application form found on our website.

HOW TO APPLY

If you’re interested in joining the Global Leadership Experience and aged 15-17 years old, please apply via the application form found here: www.uwcatlanticexperience.com/gle.

The application form will ask you more about why you want to develop your global leadership skills. Application deadline is 31st March 2023.

BOOKING DEADLINE

Applications must be received by 11.59pm on 31st March 2023. Late applications will not be considered.

Applications are reviewed together after the closing date and all applicants will be notified if their application is successful by the end of April 2023. An invoice will be sent out at the time of confirmation and you must be able to pay the invoice at this stage. Please contact us if you require a payment plan.