

Certificate in Professional Development (CPD) in Union Learning

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"I really enjoyed the course and it has given me the opportunity to work and share best practice with other union activists from a variety of different trade unions. It has raised my awareness about how the learning agenda can have a positive influence on other areas of trade unionism such as organising and bargaining." John Dougherty, Union Learning Organiser, RMT

The Certificate of Professional Development in Union Learning is for Union Learning Reps and others interested in union and workers' education. Learn about the history of workers' education, current developments, how people learn and the context in which learning takes place.

The courses are run by experienced trade union studies tutors in the Centre for Trade Union Studies and Working Lives Research Institute at London Metropolitan University, home of the TUC Library Collections and The Women's Library.

Course structure

The course is divided into four modules, each of which is taught on one day a month over four months:

- The struggle for workers' education – the history and battle of ideas
- Globalisation, change at work and the role of union learning – the global context of lifelong education;
- Ways of learning – how people learn
- The learning agenda: organising, communicating and bargaining – the changing role of the ULR

Duration

The course starts in September 2011.

Students can complete the Certificate in two years (4 semesters) by studying two modules per year. Usually students will attend for four days during each semester.

Entry Requirements

Applications are welcome from those without formal qualifications but who have attended relevant union courses and can demonstrate knowledge and interest in the subject. Students who successfully complete the Certificate can use the credits to progress to the BA Labour and Trade Union Studies degree. There are also learning pathways to Masters and other postgraduate courses.

Fees

Each module currently costs £400. Most students have their fees paid by their union so do contact your union to see if they will sponsor you.



Further information and how to apply

To apply for the course or for further information
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