

Lead and Change 2022 - Workshops

Monday 22 August

When	Workshop	What to expect
Morning workshop 10:00–11:00	Office of Independent Adjudicators: An Introduction to the OIA and our resources	This workshop is aimed at anyone working with students who would like to know who we are, what we do, and how we do it. The webinar will include an introduction to the OIA's complaint scheme and our remit and explains how we look at complaints. We will also highlight key documents like the Good Practice framework, and other useful resources including our toolkits and case summaries.
Morning workshop 10:00–11:00	KOREO	Koreo is a learning consultancy dedicated to imagining and building a better world. Since 2004, we have become one of the UK's leading learning & development partners for organisations with a social purpose - working alongside leaders in communities, social change organisations of all sizes and convening learning networks across boundaries.
Afternoon session 14:00–15:00	Student Minds: An Introduction to Students Minds and Student Mental Health landscape.	In this session Dom Smithies, the Influencing and Advocacy Lead at Student Minds, will be talking through the student mental health landscape. He will be covering how mental health has grown and evolved as a policy priority within Higher Education over the last decade, exploring key and emerging issues that impact student mental health and identifying all the key players and organisations that are working around student mental health.

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Morning workshop 10:00–11:00	SOS UK: invest for Change: why are our universities still investing in the climate crisis?	Universities have £15 billion in investments. Over half of UK universities have taken this money out of fossil fuel companies due to pioneering student campaigns, but where is the rest of it? And how can we build impactful student campaigns to push for university money to be invested in the interest of students, not against them?
Morning workshop 10:00–11:00	Office for Students: An introduction to OFS the regulator for higher education in England.	This session will introduce you to the Office for Students (OfS), the regulator for higher education in England. The OFS focuses on ensuring all students from all backgrounds have a fulfilling higher education experience. It sets the policy agenda for higher education, including tackling harassment and sexual misconduct, mental health funding, and improving the student experience. This session will introduce you to higher education regulation and give practical ways to get involved in the OfS's work
Afternoon session 14:00–15:00	Azets – Trustees, an introduction to financial management.	You will explore the most important topics that any trustee needs to know: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does good financial management look like? • Understanding your responsibilities as a Trustee • Financial governance and reporting requirements • Understanding management information • Reviewing and challenging budget • Key Financial Questions that Trustees Should Ask

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Morning workshop 10:00–11:00	SOS UK: Homes Fit for Study	<p>Student private rented accommodation is notoriously poor quality, but why is this the current status-quo? Living in sub-standard conditions can have huge impacts on both physical and mental health.</p> <p>The combination of high cost of living, low income and poor-quality housing are already negatively affecting student wellbeing, but with more energy price rises on the horizon what can we do to help students?</p> <p>SOS-UK will share what we are doing to support and empower students to take action within their homes, and how students' unions and SU officers can get involved.</p>
Morning workshop 10:00–11:00	One Voice – Getting Rich with TOTUM	<p>TOTUM is more than just a discount card for students, from campus life to giveaways and everything in between. Learn how your Students' Union/Association can make cash, advertise to students, and save them money without costing you an arm and a leg.</p>

<p>Afternoon session</p> <p>14:00-15:00</p>	<p>Unipol Student Homes: An introduction to the National Code – Getting a Better Deal on Student Housing</p>	<p>Unipol, the national student housing charity, is offering a training session specifically geared for elected officers. The aim of this session is to give you the facts on student housing (specifically Purpose Built Student Accommodation), and cover the essential Code knowledge that Student Unions' can utilise. Unipol is a national student housing charity, established in Leeds in 1975 by the then two universities and their students' unions to provide a central housing hub.</p> <p>Content for the session will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An introduction the National Codes • Overview of the Accommodation Costs Survey 2021. • The new Code requirements on new and late buildings, including the introduction of 'no quibble' payments for students. • Breakout groups to discuss session content and build networks
<p>Afternoon session</p> <p>14:00-15:00</p>	<p>Student Minds: Look after your SABBS, a session on self-care</p>	<p>In this session Dom Smithies, the Influencing and Advocacy Lead at Student Minds, will be delivering training and facilitating discussion around self-care, boundary-setting and managing your wellbeing as sabbatical officers. Dom will be pulling out insights and learning from Student Minds' Mentally Health SUs Framework and their Student Minds' SUs Programme.</p> <p>Students' unions play a vital role in ensuring universities are places that support the positive mental health and wellbeing of their communities. From building community among students, supporting them through their advice services and through working with the University to improve students' experiences. Sabbatical Officers can be great role models for the sector and a huge force for good, by advocating for and empowering students to create change locally, regionally and nationally</p>

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Morning workshop 10:00–11:00	QAA : What You Need to Know about Quality	<p>In this session, the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA) will give officers a whistle-stop tour of the work it does to maintain and enhance quality and standards in higher education across the UK and internationally. The session will also provide an overview of how students influence and drive QAA's work through our student engagement structures and explain how students and student representatives can participate within these structures.</p> <p>Facilitator: Kevin McStravock, he/him, PR, Press and Communications Officer, QAA. Kevin is PR, Press and Communications Officer at QAA and works to promote the work of the agency to a wide variety of external stakeholders, including students and student representatives.</p>
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Afternoon session 14:00–15:00	Stand Alone: What is estrangement, who are estranged students, and what do they need from their SU?	<p>While new officers might not be familiar with this vulnerable cohort of students, you can make a real difference to their lives during your term in office. This workshop is delivered by Stand Alone, the UK charity dedicated to the advocacy of those studying without family support. During the session you'll learn how to understand, engage and support the estranged students in your membership and how you can work with Stand Alone to transform their experience on campus and beyond.</p> <p>Host: Liam McCabe, Policy Officer (Scotland), Stand Alone</p>

Friday 26 August

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Morning workshop 10:00–11:00	Not on my campus: Building a root-to-step approach towards tackling Sexual Violence on our Campuses.	<p>Join our open community session to discuss how we can mobilise, campaign and work to embed a survivor-centred, trauma-informed, and intersectional cross-campus movement to tackle sexual violence on our campuses shaped in partnership with activists, victims, and survivors.</p> <p>The session will provide tips and guidance to support SU Sabbatical Officers with a safe space to discuss issues on your campus with an opportunity to share best practices and discuss potential red flags.</p>