

Agenda – Y Talwrn | 19-20 August 2019 | #YTalwrn19 Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama Students' Union

Day 1 – Monday 19 August

10:00-10:45	Delegate Registration
10:45-11:00	Welcome, Safeguarding and Protocol
11:00-11:15	The Year Ahead NUS Wales President Rob Simkins lays out the challenges and opportunities for the student movement in 2019-20.
11:15-11:30	Manifesto <i>Guess Who?</i> A chance to familiarise yourself with your colleagues' priorities. Match the sabb to the manifesto pledge.
11:30-12:00	Introduction to NUS Wales Who we are, what we do, and what the year ahead holds.
12:00-13:00	The Big Picture in Wales Whose minds are we trying to change as a student movement? This session unpicks the National Assembly for Wales, the Welsh Government and the wider education sector.
13:00-13:30	Lunch Cold buffet.
13:30-13:45	Mapping Our Shared Priorities Where does our work intersect? This session explores our analysis of the student movement in Wales to shine a light on where we see opportunities to work together.
13:45-14:15	PCET Reform and Why it Matters A whistle-stop tour of proposals to reform the post-compulsory education and training system, and why this mouthful of a phrase will be crucial for our movement.
14:15-14:45	Sustainability How the Welsh student movement can contribute to mass campaigning by young people around the world on climate change – the great global challenge of our time.
14:45-15:15	Student Housing A bread-and-butter student issue that we're refocusing our energy on this year. We'll discuss how we can achieve lasting change to the housing our students live in.
15:15-15:30	Access Break
15:30-16:00	Brexit With the spooky deadline of 31 October looming, we look at the NUS position, the campaign to keep Erasmus, and how we keep up the pressure for a People's Vote.



16:00-16:30	Mental Health and Well-being One of the most important issues of our time. This session explores how we as student leaders can campaign for better services for our students and wider society.
16:30-18:00	A Discussion with the Education Minister Kirsty Williams AM joins us for a talk and Q&A. Wales' Education Minister has been a member of the National Assembly for Wales since the dawn of devolution, and this is your opportunity to put your questions to her from your students and as a student movement.
18:00	Close of Day One Some free time to have a rest, explore your surroundings or chat with colleagues.
19:30-23:00	Dinner and Disco at RWCMD Students' Union Hot buffet.

Day 2 – Tuesday 20 August

8:00-9:45	Breakfast Take your pick from the breakfast menu at RWCMD's Café Bar.
10:00-11:00	Pitch Your Change This is your chance to practice working together on a priority campaign and hone your public speaking skills.
11:00-11:45	The Toolkit We explore three powerful tools that your students' union can use to achieve the change you want to see for your students: the relationship agreement, the student charter, and the fee and access plan. These are not perfect, but let's look at what they are and how we can make them work for you and your students.
11:45-12:00	The Consultation Response The boring but bullish consultation response. We look at who uses these and why they are important. They're not just for education, although that's often NUS Wales' focus. They can be vital for your locally and in your specific campaign areas. Let us share top tips on how to make them open doors and drive change.
12:00-12:30	Lunch Cold buffet.
12:30-13:30	A Real, Live Consultation The Welsh Government joins us for an interactive consultation on the post-compulsory education and training legislation coming to the Assembly this year. This is your chance to have your say before the draft bill drops.
13:30-14:00	Your Media, Their Media We break down some powerful techniques in making the media you control work for you, as well as some top tips in making sure you and your students are getting every opportunity you deserve to shine in the media you don't control.
14:00-14:45	Your Innovation and Activities We explore creative examples of how bread-and-butter activities in students' unions can be part of achieving your goals and ours as a student movement.
14:45-15:00	Closing Remarks from the NUS Wales President Rob Simkins brings proceedings to a close.



