GLOBAL LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE – LAUNCHPAD
SPARK THE CHANGE
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Have you ever thought about where great leaders come from? Are they born, are they made, or are they just lucky enough to find that opportunity to launch themselves and their great ideas onto the world?

We think it’s probably a mixture of all of those things - and also having the right launchpad to become the changemaker the world needs. That’s why we’ve called our Global Leadership Experience for 12-14 year olds just that – Launchpad.

Launchpad is a fun, challenging, highly rewarding two week experience that will be an exciting testing ground for your thoughts, ideas and ambitions alongside other young people who want to change the world. We say change the world, because that is what we need. Young people who can challenge themselves to explore the global challenges that are shaping our planet, societies and people - and come up with solutions to the things that basically we have been messing up for generations.

You are the superheroes who will make the world a better place!

You’ll be working in a great global group, with other young people, tutors, mentors and coaches from leadership positions in peace, sustainability and social justice, to develop your leadership, thinking and communications skills. You’ll also be guided and supported by expert outdoor activity leaders in the beautiful Welsh landscape of sea, beaches, forests, mountains and caves...to discover your inner strength and resilience. Great leaders have that perfect balance between a healthy mind, body and spirit.

You’ll make lots of new friends with people from around the world (we had 19 different nationalities here last year) and those friendships could last a lifetime. You’ll live, learn and socialise together and hopefully have the right attitude to make the most of this Global Leadership Experience.

“A perfect place to spend your summer and gain tons of new experience”

All this happens in a magical 12th Century castle by the sea in Wales, drawing inspiration from the landscape around it. Every day is packed with new experiences - from discovering new things about what makes you ‘YOU’ to uncovering the causes of the global challenges, why some things work in the world and some things don’t, to (hopefully) developing your own answers to the BIG ethical, social, environmental, political, geographic and economic questions that impact the lives of everyone. No pressure then!

“Great experience you will never forget. It is a chance for you to make a step forward to become the person you aspire to be.”

Shaun McInerney
Director of Learning Innovation,
UWC Atlantic
WHAT YOU’LL BE DOING - IN A BIT MORE DETAIL.

GLE Launchpad is a blend of provoking workshops, lively discussions and outdoor adventures, designed to get the group working closely together, challenging each other where it’s needed through active debate, and also supporting each other to complete projects and tasks, which you’ll be able to showcase to an invited audience in a special presentation evening at the end of the two weeks.

Launchpad is about answering questions - about yourself, your potential and your dreams and what you will need to do to achieve them; it’s also about answering the question - what makes a great leader.

So there are four ways we will look at that:

**WHO am I?**
What experiences, values, ideas and ambitions have shaped you? How can you use or develop those to uncover the ‘inner leader’?

**What is my WHY?**
Your ‘why’ is your purpose. What excites and motivates you, what issues do you care about, what do you want to change in the world and why does it matter so much to you, when it might not matter to the people around you?

**HOW can I inspire my community?**
Leaders inspire, influence and innovate. So you will meet some of those people and find out more about how they have become changemakers and have had an impact on their communities and on the world. We love great role models!

**WHAT am I going to do about it?**
Real change happens through action and not just talk. So building of your experience, you will leave here with a plan of action to start making real change now - why wait for later when the world needs you to act now!

PROGRAMME ROUND-UP

- Thought provoking experienced-based workshops
- Conversations with inspirational global social and sustainability leaders
- Dynamic debates with peers from diverse cultural backgrounds
- Challenging outdoor adventures immersed in nature
- Visits to impactful local community initiatives
- Fun games, sports, and activities to relax, bond, and grow
- A practice of personal reflection

“The activities we did challenged me to the core, and left me thinking hours after.”
Discover You!

By being challenged through different experiences, you will have the chance to discover who you are and what you can do in this world.

We will explore what good leadership is not just by exploring past great leaders, but by putting you in positions to practice think about different styles. You will better understand what you are passionate about by trying different activities, learning about different topics, and working on different projects to discover what makes you come alive.

Leadership in Action and Reflection
You learn the most when you take time to think about and reflect on the experiences you have had. During these two weeks, 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 celebration event.

In order to draw out your personal learnings, you will be part of a smaller core group. Guided by a facilitator, you will have the opportunity to reflect upon the day’s activities, alone and together, to deeper understand you and your personal journey.

Outdoor Adventures
Climbing down seafront cliffs or scrambling through the woodland, fields, rivers and waterfalls of the Brecon Beacons you will (very safely) be invited to push beyond your comfort zone, connect with natural places, and work together with the group to overcome your fears and discover your strengths.

The unique individual you are, makes GLE Launchpad the unique experience that it is.
UWC Atlantic Experience
Global Launch Experience Launchpad is based at UWC Atlantic, based in a 12th Century castle by the sea in Wales. You’ll have opportunities to explore the local area and experience the beauty of South Wales and with a 122 acre site, including its own woodland, seafront, farm and valley, you’ll be able to take part in a diverse and intensive programme of activities including lifeguarding, kayaking, surfing, sailing, power boating, swimming, mountain walking, navigation, and climbing.

How to Book
If you’re interested in joining GLE Launchpad 2020, please book here: info@atlanticexperience.com

We’ll send you an Application Form where we will ask you more about why you want to develop your global leadership skills - and what you might do with them!

Pricing
Programme Cost: £1,950
We are delighted to be able to offer a limited number of places at an Early Bird discounted price of £1,750. So please book early! Further details will be available soon.

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We look forward to hearing from you!

“Honestly, the nicest thing I’ve ever done”