

Community Organiser

£12.60 per hour plus holiday pay Fixed-Term August 2025 - June 2026 8 hours per week

Who we are

In the Student Rights & Campaigns Team at Hallam Students' Union, we work to make change on key issues for students. This ranges from housing, cost of living lobbying and student loneliness to drug & alcohol harm reduction and academic issues. Our new Democratic structures, passed by student referendum, have allowed us to change how we do work at the Students' Union, including our approach to student-led campaigns. We are looking for two Community Organisers to join our team and to make a difference at Hallam on issues impacting our students.

What's the job?

The Community Organiser role is a student staff role who will work on campaigns, policy & and lobbying activity with the aim of making positive change for Hallam students. You'll be working with Citizens UK to learn about community organising methods, where you will learn how to empower and motivate student groups to mobilise on issues important to them. Just some of the issues we've focussed on in the past academic year include cheaper bus fares/better buses across South Yorkshire, improved access to student mental health information, inclusion in sport, nighttime safety, and working with liberation groups (LGBTQ+, Women, Minoritised Ethnicities, Disabled) on topics they care about. You won't be alone in your role, and together with support from colleagues at HSU and Citizens UK, you'll be working to create diverse networks of students to lead campaigns with. You'll also be mentored by a Community Organiser at Citizens UK who will be on hand to guide you through the campaigns process and answer any questions you have and will be working with other community groups across Yorkshire.

Who you are

You'll be a student that is passionate about representation, campaigning and working within the community. You should be independent and self-driven, as well as having a good understanding of what it means to be part of a democratic organisation and supporting students. You'll be keen to use your skills to build strong and diverse networks to run campaigns with, and have the confidence and enthusiasm to inspire and nurture emerging student leaders. You'll find this role particularly useful for career development if after university you're looking to work in the charity sector, community spaces, EDI, policy, politics, movement building, campaigning roles or democratic member-led charities.

Why apply?

Apart from being paid for a job you will love, there are lots of other benefits for joining us. You'll be joining a diverse and progressive team whose mission is to provide impactful interventions & campaigns to support & empower our students. Roles within the Student Rights and Campaigns and team involve varied, fulfilling and challenging (in a good way!) work, with experiences to enhance your skills and employability, no matter what your career aspirations.

Alongside that, we understand the value and importance of our staff continuously developing personally and professionally, and we're eager for team members to grow and succeed not just in their role, but as individuals. You'll also be playing an active part in your Students' Union, find out about how different teams work together to enhance Hallam students' experience, and have chance to get involved with the wide range of opportunities the SU has to offer. Finally, we know that you're here at Hallam to study, and we aim to offer flexible working around your studies wherever possible.

We're committed to equality of opportunity for all. We welcome applications from individuals regardless of their race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion, age, gender, or disability status. We want to support diverse and inclusive work environments and are actively looking for people who share our values.

If you would like any further information or an informal enquiry about the roles please contact

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For further information and an application pack (please note we do not accept CVs without the supporting documents), please visit the Sheffield Hallam Students' Union website https://www.hallamstudentsunion.com/jobs-with-shusu

Closing date for receipt of all applications is Monday 16th June 2025

Interviews are currently planned to be held on the 3rd & 4th July 2025