

Migrants'



Aspiration

Programme

A co-curated radical leadership programme

migrants' rights network



The Migrants' Aspiration Programme

(MAP) is a co-curated radical leadership programme for migrants. It is a space to reimagine leadership, build connections, and explore practical and creative approaches to campaigning and organising.

**Designed for you in partnership
with you.**

WHAT DOES MAP OFFER?

- An imaginative and creative learning space for migrants interested in community organising and campaigning
- An opportunity to engage with campaigners, organisers and fellow aspiring leaders
- Access to sessions/workshops led by organisations and individuals working towards a borderless world, across a range of strategies and tactics
- Ongoing access to MRN's network, resources, trainings (this will continue beyond the duration of the programme)
- One-on-one time with highly experienced, carefully selected mentors, matched to your area of focus/interest
- The opportunity to co-create a MAP toolkit which will continue to be used by MRN

The toolkit will capture key insights, learnings, and practices from the programme that participants can apply in their communities and can be shared onwards with other organisers

WHO IS MAP FOR?

You will be someone who:

- Has lived experience of migration, diaspora, displacement, racialisation.
- Seeks to become a community organiser, or campaigner;
- or are already organising as part of a wider social movement.
- Are looking to imagine alternative ways of organising and explore more radical & abolitionist strategies.

We particularly encourage people who meet the following criteria to apply (don't be put off if these don't apply to you, we'd still love to hear from you):

- Have been directly impacted by hostile immigration policies
- Are navigating a hostile immigration system alongside other intersecting persecuted identities (e.g. gender identities, disability)
- Were involved in organising or direct action in another country and are looking to translate this to a UK context

MENTORING PROGRAMME

Through MAP you will gain access to a curated mentorship programme offering one-to-one mentorship with someone who aligns with and is experienced in the areas you wish to expand your knowledge or network in.

You will list your areas of interest/focus within your application and, if selected, will be matched with an appropriate mentor on that basis. **If you're interested in becoming a mentor, skip to the final page.**

WHAT WE MEAN BY “CO-CURATED”?

- MAP is designed as a flexible, community-shaped programme. Throughout our sessions, we aim to learn as much from the wisdom in the room as from any set curriculum. Together, we'll co-create a MAP Toolkit, designed by you to capture the key insights, learnings, and practices that emerge along the way. Part handbook, part art piece, part story archive.
- You will have the opportunity to shape your experience to your needs; selecting from a range of workshops, depending on where you want to grow your capacity.
- After the programme, join a session for the collective reimagining of MAP, using your experience to shape the next iteration.

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

MAP is designed to respond to the needs and interests of participants. While the outline below gives a clear sense of the sessions and workshops planned, it may continue to adapt to selected participants' priorities.

Session 1: Saturday 14th March 9am-4pm

Introductions and Reimagining our Systems (followed by social)

Session 2: Saturday 28th March 9am-4pm

Tactics for Today: Navigating Existing Structures

Session 3: Saturday 18th Apr 9am-4pm

Imagining Otherwise: Organising for Change

Session 4: Wednesday 29th April 6-9pm

Creative Resistance, Workshops

Session 5: Saturday 9th May 9am-4pm

Telling your Story & Advocating for your Community

Session 6: Wednesday 20th May 6-8pm

Abolition in Practice, Workshops

Session 7: Saturday 30th May 9am-4pm

Building Partnerships & Coalitions (followed by social)

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Fill in the [application form](#) by Sunday 7th December 2025, 5pm.
- Hold the event dates/times in your calendar. Please only apply if you can commit to attend all the dates.
- If you are shortlisted, we will contact you in December to schedule an interview. We will aim to confirm places by the end of December and you will have two weeks to confirm your acceptance.

Please note there will be bursaries available to cover participants' travel and childcare costs where needed.

BECOMING A MENTOR:

We're also inviting experienced organisers, campaigners, and community builders to become mentors for our 2026 cohort! As a mentor, you'll be paired with a participant based on shared goals and areas of practice. You'll provide one-to-one support and guidance as they explore different ways of organising, campaigning, and building community power. We ask that you dedicate a minimum of just two hours over the three-month duration of the program. To apply to become a mentor please fill out the form below.

[Apply to become a Mentor](#)