# Student / Individual Membership Application

# 2018-19

Association for Real Change works to engage any stakeholder interested in the learning disability sector. Membership is offered to organisations, individuals and students. The membership fee is annual and for individuals and students, covers the period of September to August. If you join us in between, the fee will be pro-rata and payable up front. This reduced membership rate will provide access to information shared through our members’ general distribution list and also offer discount on training, publication and room hire. Membership fees must be paid in full before accessing any of these benefits.

Name: Click here to enter your name

Email Address: Click here to enter address

Tel: tel number Email\*: Click here to enter your email address

\* If you are applying for student membership you must supply your academic email address.

## If you are a student

College/University attending Click here to enter Name of College or University

Course Click here to enter name of course you are doing.

Specify your year of study. 1st [ ]  2nd [ ]  3rd [ ]  4th [ ]

Does your course focus on the support people with learning disabilities? Yes [ ]  No [ ]

***Please note we will need confirmation of student status***

What type of employment are you hoping to gain at the end of your course?

Click here to enter text.

## If you are an individual

Are you: Student [ ]  Parent/Carer [ ]  Employed in social care [ ]

Other [ ]  (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

We are extremely keen to represent our stakeholders. Please provide a brief statement about why you think joining ARC NI would benefit you.

provide a brief statement

## Membership Fee

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| **\*\***If you are an individual who is employed within the sector, please check whether your employer is already a member of ARC NI as this may negate the need for you to join individually. | **Band** | **Description** | **Annual Fee £** |
| [ ]  **A-C** | **Organisation** | N/A  |
| [ ]  **D** | **Student** | £25 |
| [ ]  **E** | **Individual\*\*** | £40 |
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## Commitment Statement

On behalf of myself, I hereby apply for student membership of the Association for Real Change, Northern Ireland. I have read the philosophy of ARC and confirm that I stand fully behind the beliefs it endorses and will strive to put them into practice.

Signed:By printing your name, you are authorising this application Date: Click here to enter a date.

## What Happens Now?

Your application will be considered and invoiced accordingly, following which you will receive a welcome pack via email from the Director.

ARC NI is only as strong as its stakeholders so we look forward to welcoming your contributions and thank you for your application.

# Philosophy – Our Beliefs

Everyone is unique. Everyone can make valuable contributions to society.

The Association for Real Change champions equal human rights for all and defends the right to freedom, respect, protection, equality, and self determination. Everyone should be treated with dignity in their daily lives and all services must promote this principle.

1. We believe that everyone should be treated equally and, as unique individuals, everyone makes valuable contributions to society.
2. We believe that person centred values and models of support are the best way to improve people’s quality of life.
3. We believe that everyone should have the support they need to be included in their local community.
4. We believe that people should have the opportunity to be involved in how their support is planned and delivered at both a local and national level.
5. We believe that everyone who plans or delivers support should have access to the knowledge, experience and skills they need to continually improve what they do.
6. We believe that people’s quality of life can be improved by supporting those who plan and deliver support to work effectively in partnership with each other and with the people they support.
7. We believe in the capacity of those who plan and deliver support to continually reflect and change their practice to improve what they do.
8. We believe that people are best placed to make informed choices about how they live their lives.