**Internationally renowned learning**

The Jaguar Land Rover Lean Learning Academy is based at Halewood Operations in Merseyside. The Academy teaches Lean Leadership skills and techniques to supervisors and managers from Jaguar Land Rover, automotive industry suppliers and other manufacturers. During the course, delegates learn how to deploy Lean tools to eliminate waste and continuously improve manufacturing processes.

Halewood Operations is home to the Land Rover Freelander 2 and Jaguar X-TYPE. Located in the North West of England, the Halewood plant has a reputation for excellent manufacturing quality and is recognised throughout the industry as a centre of excellence for Lean Manufacturing.

In 2000, the plant was transformed into a world class manufacturing facility suitable for producing premium products and the workforce underwent a significant culture change and retraining programme.

Halewood’s award winning X-TYPE model was launched in 2001 and the model has received a great deal of external recognition for quality, including the J.D. Power Plant Gold Quality Award. This accolade recognised X-TYPE as the best quality European vehicle in its class, and placed Halewood as the top European Car plant. Freelander 2 was launched in late 2006 and has won a variety of awards including Top Gear SUV of the Year and What Car? Best Compact 4x4. Freelander 2 and X-TYPE are built on the same line although they are based on completely different architecture and share no common parts. This is a unique achievement in the automotive industry and demonstrates Halewood’s commitment to efficiency and flexibility.

**Facilities**

The Lean Learning Academy takes place in a brand new facility which adjoins the Trim and Final area. The focal point for most of the taught modules is a state of the art lecture room which features a comprehensive audio visual system.

The Lean Learning Academy is completed over two weeks and covers a variety of Lean principles. These are taught via a mixture of classroom based teaching techniques, practical tasks, and experience working on the production line. The chart to the right shows how the time is allocated. The course gives delegates the opportunity to work in the Jaguar Land Rover plant and experience the operations in a working environment. Delegates are able to Learn from Jaguar Land Rover and in effect use the Halewood plant as a learning aid.

**Frequently asked questions**

*Who is the Lean Learning Academy for?*

The academy is suitable for managers and team leaders in any company committed to continuous improvement.

*How many people will be on the programme at any one time?*

Each programme has capacity for a maximum of 18 candidates.

*How often does the programme run?*

Programmes run approximately every two months.

*Do candidates have to complete all two weeks together in one block?*

No, candidates can complete Weeks One or Two over a longer time period but it is recommended that all two weeks are completed within a maximum twelve month period.

*Where will I stay whilst on the course?*

We can provide you with details of local hotels situated close to the plant and Liverpool John Lennon Airport. Please ask the coordinator for details.

*Is work wear provided?*

Everything you will need is provided except for safety shoes.

*Is this programme accredited?*

Delegates have the option to have their learning accredited by Liverpool John Moores University at an additional cost.