



# Diploma in Youth and Community Work NFQ level 6/7



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<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candidates must be at least 21 years of age by 1 January of the year of application and hold a Leaving Certificate/FETAC Level 5 qualification (or equivalent).</li> <li>• Candidates who do not hold a Leaving Certificate/FETAC Level 5 qualification but have an interest in or experience of youth and community work, may apply</li> <li>• Applicants must satisfy Garda Vetting requirements.</li> <li>• Candidates may be required to attend for an interview before progressing to Year 2.</li> <li>• All applicants whose first language is not English must have attained IELTS Level 6 or the equivalent TOEFL score.</li> </ul>

### How to apply

Applicants can apply by submitting an Expression of Interest form by 5pm on December 7th. An online course information session will be held at 10am on December 2nd. Expression of Interest forms and details on the online course information session are available from Noreen O'Regan or Margo Hayes (details below).

### Want to know more?

- Noreen O'Regan, 087 1962026 noregan@partnershipcork.ie
- Margo Hayes, 087 1962023 margo.hayes@partnershipcork.ie



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Cork City Partnership in conjunction with UCC will deliver a Diploma in Youth and Community Work in Knocknaheeny. Funding for this course is provided under the Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP)

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### What is the course about?

The Diploma in Youth and Community Work offers the opportunity to develop professional skills and gain an understanding of the theory that guides good practice in this field.

### Who is eligible to apply for this course?

- Applicants can include Disadvantaged Women, People living in Disadvantaged Communities, Lone Parents, Low Income Workers/Households, the Unemployed, People with Disabilities, the Disengaged from the Labour Market (Economically Inactive), Disadvantaged Families, Older People, New Communities, Disadvantaged Young People (aged 18-24), Roma, Travellers.
- Applicants will be asked to complete a registration form to demonstrate eligibility
- Eligible applicants must live within the area of Cork City as defined by the 2019 boundary (before City expansion)
- This course is fully funded by the Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme

### How is it delivered?

- Lectures will be delivered on Wednesday mornings with occasional Saturday sessions, over 2 years

### Key Dates

Mid Nov	Expression of Interest form available for applicants
2nd Dec	Online course information session
7th Dec	Deadline for submission of expression of interest form (5pm)
9th Dec	Interviews / conversations with applicants
10th Dec	Interviews / conversations with applicants
13th Dec	Offer of place to successful candidates
14th Dec-17th Dec	Submission of online applications to UCC

### Course Curriculum

#### Year 1

- Introduction to Youth and Community Work
- Introduction to Research Methods in Youth and Community Work
- Principles and Practices of Youth and Community Work
- Core Skills in Youth and Community Work

#### Year 2

- Practice Placement - Youth and Community Work
- Models of Youth and Community Work
- Social Analysis: Disadvantage and Social Exclusion
- Managing Youth and Community Youth Projects

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### Work Placement

Work Placement in selected youth/community work agencies represents the most essential part of second year of the Diploma in Youth and Community Work programme. Students are required to undertake 100 hours of work placement in the second year of the programme. All students will need to complete Garda Vetting through UCC in first year of the programme. Child Protection Training and a Safe Talk will need to be completed by students prior to commencing the work placement.

### How will you benefit?

You will engage in dynamic discussions, compile a community profile, make confident mini-presentations, and conduct a research project. You will undertake a placement in a youth/community agency during year 2 which gives you the opportunity to apply your understanding of theory and professional skills and to reflect on the experience. The Diploma also enhances employment opportunities for students.

