

BA (Hons) in Community Development & Youth Work



"I chose the course because of the diversity of modules and the range of opportunities....I enjoyed it from the very beginning from course content to acting out role-plays to work on placements and portfolios" (Emma Kitson, Graduate)



nervous about being a mature student, but soon realised there are many other mature students on campus in TU Dublin



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Blanchardstown. It is a brilliant place to study and I would say to any mature person thinking of applying: Don't wait any longer. If I can do it, anyone

can " (Kathleen Murray, Graduate)



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ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

The BA in Community and Youth Development* is a full time degree offered at level 7 (3yrs) and level 8 (4yrs).

(*formerly BA in Social & Community Development)

ENTRY ROUTES

- Leaving Certificate
- * Mature grounds
- * Special circumstances
- * FETAC graduates

WHO SHOULD APPLY

Applications are invited from school leavers and mature adults who have an interest in working with people in community development and youth work settings.

SUPPORTS

Applicants may be eligible for third level grants through SUSI (Student Universal Support Ireland). Check the website www.susi.ie

TEAM

We have a dedicated team of lecturers who have themselves worked in the sector and are engaged with community and youth organisations locally and nationally.

FACILITIES

The TU Dublin Blanchardstown campus is a modern state of the art campus with excellent educational, catering, social and recreational facilities. It is accessible by a special purpose shuttle bus and public transport.



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AIM OF COURSE

This full time degree programme (3yrs level 7 and 4yrs level 8) is designed to provide students with the knowledge and experience to work in community and youth work settings. Through a combination of classroom-based learning and fieldwork placements students will develop knowledge of the methods and approaches used in community and youth work in a variety of settings and organisations.

WHAT WORK WILL COURSE LEAD TO?

Graduates may seek employment in different areas of community and youth development work such as community development workers, programme coordinators, project workers, facilitators, community educators, project administrators, workers in justice diversion projects, probation service, community welfare officers, school completion project workers and coordinators, community health workers, information officers, community liaison officers in local authorities and evaluation & research officers etc. Graduates may also be employed in a variety of sectors working with youth, marginalised or disadvantaged groups, ethnic minorities, social economy and social enterprise projects.

On completion of the programme graduates may gain employment in voluntary, statutory and private sector organisations or work with charities or non-governmental organisations (NGO's) at a national or international level.



AIEB
All Ireland Endorsement Body

The BA (Hons) in Community Development and Youth Work is professionally endorsed by the standards bodies for ocmmunit.y work and youth work.

Programme Content

Our mission is to educate and train future community development and youth workers to work in a range of settings in Ireland and internationally. We educate our students to embody the knowledge, skills, and qualities of community and youth development to become active citizens and agents of change.

Welcome Week A full week of induction to course. **Year 1**

Principles of Community Development, Principles of Youth Work 1&2, Facilitation & Group Work, Community Arts, Intro to Culture, Intro to Psychology, Sociology, Social Policy, Irish Culture & Society, Intro to Addictive Behaviours, Personal & Professional Communication in Community & Youth Work *Practice Visits* Regular talks and visits to projects.

Year 2

Community Development Practice, Youth Work Practice, Psychological Perspectives on Development, Communicating Across Language Barriers, Substance Use and Youth Culture, Sociology of Education

FIELDWORK (Practice Placement)

Fieldwork Portfolio

Magic Moments Showcase of Student Learning

Year 3

Advanced Community & Youth Dev Practice, Principles of Human Rights, Research Methods/ Practice, Social Psychology, Social Entrepreneurship / Funding, Language Culture Identity (e), Community and Drugs (e), European Studies (e).

Afri Hedge School Human Rights Conference (organised by students with Afri).

ADVANCED FIELDWORK (Practice Placement)
Advanced Fieldwork Portfolio

Skills for Professional Practice

(e) = elective

Programme Content

Year 4

Critical Issues in Youth Work
Advanced Research Methods and Practice
Working with Families
Combatting Racism
Sustainable Development
Management Skills (e)
Social Policy / Analysis (e)
Community Mental Health (e)

Dissertation
Power and Inequality
Global Development
Adult & Community Education
Advocacy and Community Organisation (e)
Drug Prevention Strategies (e)
Conflict Resolution and Mediation (e)

(e) is for elective. Students may take a number of electives over the course of studies.

Practice Project Visits

As well as fieldwork placement, students are also supported to visit centres working in the community and youth sector in the region.

Volunteering Advocacy and Campaigning
Staff and students engage with current
developments in the social and political arena as