

POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED SOCIAL STUDIES

Overview

Status: Active

National Framework Of Qualifications (NFQ) Level: 9

NFQ Award Class: Minor Award

Total Credits: 30

Connected Curriculum:

- Civic and Community Engagement
- Employability
- Research Based Teaching

Graduate Attributes:

- Creator, evaluator and communicator of knowledge
- Digitally Fluent
- Effective global citizen
- Independent and creative thinker
- Socially Responsible

UCC policies applying to applicants/students on this programme:

- Fitness to Practise Policy
- Student Vetting Policy and Procedure

This Postgraduate Certificate is an alternative non-professional exit award for candidates in **Year 1** of the Master of Social Work (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/mswk/>) or Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work Studies (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pdsws/>) programme who pass at least 30 credits in **Year 1** but have but have failed to reach the pass standard for the Year 1 placement module (SS6112), or who decide not to continue with their professional training in the MSW/PDSWS programme.

Candidates who opt to exit and graduate with Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Social Studies will not be eligible to apply to register with the Social Work Registration Board (CORU).

Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p. 1).

Programme Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Students must pass at least 30 credits from a suite of reckonable modules (total available: 40 credits)		
<i>Year 1 - Reckonable modules</i>		
Assessment and Intervention across the Life Course		
SS6101	Social Work Approaches 1: Theory and Practice	10
SS6115	The Rights and Welfare of Adults at Risk of Harm	5
SS6108	Child and Family Welfare I	5
Human Rights and Social Justice		
LW6005	Social Work and the Law (Child Law)	5
SS6105	Social Policy and Social Exclusion	5

SS6106	Applied Social Research	5
SS6107	User Experiences in Diverse Contexts I	5

Examinations

Full details and regulations governing Examinations for each programme will be contained in the *Marks and Standards Book* and for each module in the *Book of Modules*.

Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Social Studies (NFQ Level 8, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of social systems and human behaviour to promote social change, problem solving in human relationships and the empowerment of people to enhance their well-being;
- Demonstrate knowledge of social policy to critically examine and respond to the impact of social and political contexts
- Recognise the application of principles of social justice, human rights and anti-oppressive practice in the provision of social welfare services;
- Recognise the influence of research, theory, legislation, policy, official inquiry reports and international conventions on the delivery of contemporary social services;