

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN YOUTH WORK

Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for Postgraduate Diploma in Youth Work
(NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

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

- Apply an advanced and systematic knowledge of the principles of working in youth work, which is at the forefront of professional practice.
- Facilitate young people's personal, social and educational development through individual and group work and through engagement with local and regional communities.
- Demonstrate a critical awareness of the historical development of youth work in community settings and current theory and scholarship in the field of youth policy and practice.
- Engage effectively in professional practice in the youth work sector, in an ethical and inclusive manner, which safeguards the health and welfare of young people, promotes equity and values diversity.
- Exercise practical leadership and strategic planning skills in devising creative responses to meeting the needs of young people and communities.
- Utilise the skills necessary for employment and demonstrate an ability to self-reflect on one's professional development, including the exercise of initiative and self-direction and the design, planning and management of short- and long-term projects.
- Contribute to professional development and training within organisations and communities.