

### BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL CARE PRACTICE (NFQ LEVEL 8)

#### CODE: TA\_HSOCA\_B

4 years part time with 60 credits per year

#### Who is this course for?

This programme aims to provide students with a professional qualification that enables them to work in the social care sector.

Students have the option of exiting at Year 3 with a Level 7 qualification in Social Care Practice. This is the minimum requirement to register as a professional Social Care Worker with CORU, the Health and Social Care Registration Board.

#### Entry Requirements

Applications for the part-time Honours Degree in Social Care Practice are made directly to the college using the application form which is on the college website.

Please make sure that you state in your application any relevant experience or qualifications that you have in Social Care.

The number of places is limited so a shortlisting process may apply. Candidates who are shortlisted will be invited for interview. The interview process may also include a written component where applicants are asked to write on a given topic. We strongly advise people to apply only if they have:

Relevant work experience (paid or voluntary). Where possible, a previous qualification such as a QQI Level 5 or

equivalent in social care or a related discipline

- A high level of fluency in English, both written and oral.

Advanced entry applications can also be made for a place in the 2nd year of the part-time programme. In order to be eligible to apply for direct entry to 2nd year, candidates need to have completed a QQI Level 6 qualification (or equivalent – such as a BTEC Higher National Diploma) in social care or a related discipline. Candidates will be required to show transcripts of previous qualifications and a selection and shortlisting process will take place. Advanced entry applicants should also provide a reference form their previous place of study.

#### Course Timetable

This course runs on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6-10p.m. Students will also be required to attend some Thursday evenings from 6-10p.m. and some Saturdays each semester for full-day workshops. A detailed timetable is provided at the start of each semester.

#### Who can apply?

This is a 4 year course which runs over 8 semesters. Students are required to complete 800 placement hours as part of the course, in order to be able to register with CORU, the Health and Social Care Registration Board. These placements will take place over two semesters in 2nd and 3rd year.

#### For further information – course specific

Please Contact: [helena.doody@it-tallaght.ie](mailto:helena.doody@it-tallaght.ie)

#### For queries on the application process

Please contact [LLL@it-tallaght.ie](mailto:LLL@it-tallaght.ie) or phone the Lifelong Learning Team @ 01-4042101



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### Course Summary

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The course is four years in duration and requires a significant commitment to attending lectures as well as independent study. Students are trained through academic learning and work placement to become professional social care workers who will be able to work to the highest standard of expertise with groups and individuals in society who require Social Care services. Students do a series of continuous assessments each semester which include reports, presentations projects and group-work and they have some exams at the end of each semester. We recommend that students be in a position to commit to 15 hours independent study in addition to lecture attendance.

Addiction Studies. So the range of professional and education opportunities are really broad for graduates of our social care degree programme.

### How to Apply

Students apply directly to IT Tallaght

Please apply through <http://www.it-tallaght.ie/>

Total cost of course is €2550 per year

### Please Note

You will be required to pay a €100 application fee with your application. If you are offered a place on the course your fee will be put towards your full course fees. The application fee is only refundable if the course does not run.

### Modules

Communications	Psychology	Health Education and Promotion
Understanding Disability	Social Policy	Group-work skills
Social	Professional Practice	Counselling skills in social care
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**The balance of fees due are as follows:  
On acceptance of place - €550**

**Payment of half your course fees due by 31 October 2018.**

### Career Opportunities

Our graduates go on to work in many social care settings including services for children and young people, people with disability, homeless services, special care services, organisations supporting elderly people, and people in and recovering from addiction. Graduates may obtain jobs with statutory agencies, such as the HSE and TUSLA, the Child and Family Agency or with non-statutory organisations such as homeless or disability organisations.

**Payment of full fees due by 31 January 2019.**

Many of our graduates go on to do Masters Degrees in areas such as Child and Family Studies, Disability Studies, Social Work and

### KEY DATES

INDUCTION	4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2018
CLASSES BEGIN	Mid-September 2018
CLASSES FINISH	End April 2019
EXAMS	January and May 2019
RESULTS	June 2019