



MALTA UNIVERSITY CONSULTING

Course for Residential & Day Care Workers – 2017/2018 Intermediate Module (36 Hours)

Intermediate Module Fee: €345

Venue: University Residence, Robert Mifsud Bonnici Street, Lija

Lectures: Nov 2017: 21; 28; Dec 2017: 5; 14; 19 January 2018: 2; 9; 16; 23; 30; Feb 2018: 1; 13

Time: 5.00p.m. – 8.00p.m

This module will include 15 hands-on hours in a care work setting.

The National Commission for further and Higher Education deems this course to be at Level 4 (25 credits) of the Malta Qualifications and of the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning. (Licence Number: 2013-FHI-019; Further & Higher Education Institution)

AIM AND CONTENT OF THE COURSE: This course will continue to develop further the knowledge, understanding, practical skills and values that students would have acquired in the *Introductory Module of the Course for Residential and Day Care Workers*. The course is very practical and continues to develop the student's experience and knowledge that employers in the caring field are looking for. By the end of this course students should be able to:

- value basic principles of social care
- demonstrate intra-personal and interpersonal qualities and skills required for caring in relation to the needs of service users
- acquire knowledge and aptitude to recognise the sociological and psychological needs of service users
- evaluate their personal contribution in the role of residential/day care work
- affirm their role as residential/day care workers in a caring agency

MODULE OVERVIEW

- **Principles of Social Care:** The aim is to inform participants of the content of this course and to introduce basic principles of social care
- **Developing through the Life-Span:** The aim is to understand aspects of development through the life-span which are essential to working with people receiving a caring service
- **Grief and Coping with Loss:** The aim is to explore issues of loss and grief experienced by the service user and the residential/day care worker
- **Personal Development:** The aim is to gain self-awareness, awareness of others and the implications related to the caring services
- **Helping Skills:** The aim is to learn how to listen and respond effectively with service users in the role of a residential/day care worker
- **Keeping the Records:** The aim is to explore practical applications of recording related to the role of the residential/day care worker
- **Social Benefits:** The aim is to understand the state's care provision through the framework of the social security system

ACADEMIC ADVISOR: Dr Natalie Kenely is a full-time lecturer within the Department of Social Policy & Social Work, Faculty for Social Wellbeing at the University of Malta. She coordinates student research within the Department while her lecturing duties focus primarily on experiential skills training.

COURSE CO-ORDINATOR: Ms Frances Mallia is a social worker by profession. She worked for many years as Head of Care in Programme Fejda, a residential home for adolescent females. She has also acted as Practice Teacher, and currently acts as Tutor of Social Work students on practical placement, within the University of Malta. In the last five years she worked as Senior Executive Childcare with the Foundation for Educational Services.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS: Candidates wishing to complete the Intermediate Module should have successfully completed the Introductory Module.

MODE OF ASSESSMENT & CERTIFICATE: The mode of assessment will be based on attendance, participation & assignments that are set throughout the course. Grades attained are equivalent to University of Malta Grade Descriptions. Participants need to attend at least 80% of the sessions in order to be awarded a Certificate of Completion issued by MUHC in collaboration with the Department for Social Policy and Social Work of the University of Malta. A certificate of Attendance will be awarded to students who attend the course but do not complete it successfully.

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