



The Professional Development Award in Practice Learning (Social Services) Information for Potential Candidates

This is an exciting new award that will take workforce learning and development in the social services sector into a new era. It combines learning for practice with organisational development, strategic workforce planning, and leadership within workforce development. This unique range of perspectives will enable you to develop your knowledge, skills and understanding to achieve high quality ethical interventions and positive learning outcomes, and to the development of learning cultures. This will also assist development of a range of skills to support future career progression.

Who is it for?

This award supports learning across the whole of the social services workforce.

In particular this award is for those who:

- ◆ Coordinate, support and manage practice learning opportunities
- ◆ Provide mentoring and coaching for learners at post qualifying level.
- ◆ work with others to identify, organise, facilitate and support learning in the workplace
- ◆ have a role in quality assurance mechanisms associated with learning and development
- ◆ those who have a role in the development of a learning culture and supporting organizational learning

What's involved?

This is an accredited course within Dundee University Masters Pathway at SCQF Level 11 (post graduate level). It is also the first of the specialist social service worker awards to be offered by the Scottish Social Services Council which means that the successful candidate will also be awarded the Practice Learning Qualification (Social Services)(SCQF 11).

Successful candidates eligible for registration with the SSSC will be awarded the plq (SS) from the sssc as a specialist social services worker award and also a post graduate certificate from Dundee University. Those in related professions such as health, police, education, occupational therapy, allied health professions will be awarded the plq .along with the post graduate certificate

How Much does it Cost?

Costs are £495 per module, with the 2 modules costing £990 in total for the full post graduate certificate qualification.

When does it start?

The first cohort of students will begin September 2010 with an expected duration of the programme with an exit at certificate level being 10-12 months.

Entry requirements

For general admission to the programme you should normally have obtained an honours degree or other qualification recognised by us as equivalent. In addition to meeting the required entrance qualification criteria, your admission to the programme is subject to you providing evidence that you have a minimum period of two years experience working in an appropriate practice setting.

How Can I Find Out More?

An information session for potential candidates is being held in Room 2S12, Dalhousie Building at the University of Dundee on Thursday 10th June 2010 from 10 am to 12 noon with a buffet lunch to follow.

Notes of interest would be appreciated by 1st July 2010.

For further discussion and notes of interest please contact:

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