

# Directory of Community Development Courses 2008

# Introduction

In 2005, Combat Poverty commissioned a study as part of the Having Your Say Programme. This research assessed the extent and nature of student learning opportunities on social policy and policy engagement (e.g. policy analysis, policy development, policy promotion, policy evaluation) within the range of professional Community Development courses provided by third-level bodies in the Republic of Ireland.

The result of this research was a Directory that informs potential students of the learning opportunities in the area of Community Development work. This 2008 Directory is an update of this information. The directory contains information on 27 Community Development courses in Ireland. The directory is a comprehensive and useful guide that lists full-time and part-time courses offered by third-level bodies.

Community Development education is a growing field of study and until now there has not been any single source of information on this type of course. The Directory is aimed at anyone who is currently working or volunteering in the community development sector who wishes to further their education or at people who wish to embark on a career in community development.

Prospective students should bear a few points in mind when considering applying for courses:

- Check out what accreditation your course has
- Check if your course is on or off campus
- Think about how you will access the library
- Check out your eligibility for a grant with your local authority or VEC
- Be aware that local authorities or VECs do not pay fees for part-time courses
- Get in touch with the tax office as there is a tax credit available for part-time fees
- Check your local area partnership for assistance with funding for education
- Check with your employer; they may be able to support you financially if they have a training budget
- If you are in receipt of a social welfare payment, check with your local office; you may be eligible for the Back to Education Scheme.

The information contained in this directory was gathered during 2008. The directory is accurate as per that point in time and is based on information supplied by the third-level institutions.

The presence of a course of study in the Directory does not imply any specific or general approval of that course by the Combat Poverty Agency.

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Name of Institute	Cork IT
Department or School	Department of Business and Humanities
Course Title	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Community Education and Development
Awarding Body	HETAC
Level on National Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Higher Certificate - Level 6</b> (available to students who wish to opt out after 2 years)</li> <li>• <b>Ordinary Degree - Level 7</b></li> <li>• <b>Honours Degree - Level 8</b></li> </ul>
Course Location	Lectures, workshops and seminars will be based in Cork Institute of Technology, while tutorials will be conducted in a community setting
Format	Full-time - Workload normally 20 hours per week
Day and Time	N/A
Course Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ordinary Degree</b> - 3 years</li> <li>• <b>Honours Degree</b> - 4 years</li> </ul> Students may opt out after 2 years and earn a Higher Certificate Level 6.
Fee per Annum (EU Student)	If student does not hold previous third level qualification there are no fees and he/she may apply for means tested training grant under local VEC
Extra Costs	N/A
Entry Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum of two years involvement in community education</li> <li>• Interview</li> <li>• Prior experience or qualifications taken into account for direct entry to higher level</li> </ul>
Number of Places	Approx 20
Possible Progression Routes	N/A
Number of Modules	<b>Higher Certificate</b> - 10 <b>Ordinary Degree</b> - 15 <b>Honours Degree</b> - 6
Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Essay, reports, role play and presentations</li> <li>• Practical work within the community will also contribute to assessment</li> </ul>
Supervised Work Placement	Yes
Start Date Next Course	Sep 08
Contact Details	<b>Patricia Anderson</b> 021 4326 700 paddy.anderson@cit.ie www.cit.ie
Course Aims	<p>This course aims to develop a theoretical understanding of community education/development; develop capacity and confidence as community educators/developers; develop facilitation skills and group work skills; support communities in the assessment of their needs; develop strong communication and IT skills; analyse the structures and mechanisms of local and national politics; develop understanding of social structures and policies; understand and apply the fundamentals of management in a community setting; develop an understanding of equality and diversity; and develop the competence to apply the above within a community setting.</p> <p>The honours degree aims to build on work already undertaken within the BA Degree in Community Education and Development.</p>

<b>Course Content</b>	<p>Modules subject to revision for 2008-09</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1:</b> Information and Community Technology; Principles of Education; Social Analysis and Social Structure; Group Work and Facilitation Skills</li> <li>• <b>Year 2:</b> Community Education and Development – theory and practice; Social Policy/Administration; Social Economy; Project Management; Applied Research Project; Class, Race and Culture; Gender</li> <li>• <b>Year 3:</b> Education and Development; Management, Leadership and Change; Group Work and Facilitation; Stratification and Social Change; Community Practice and Project</li> <li>• <b>Year 4:</b> Education – Theory and Application; Sociology and Social Change; Leadership, Authority and Power; Equality Studies; Dissertation; Professional Development; and Practice</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Level 6:</b> 6 modules</li> <li>• <b>Level 7:</b> 6 modules</li> <li>• <b>Level 8:</b> 6 modules</li> </ul>

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>Dundalk IT</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Lifelong Learning Centre</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Higher Certificate in Arts in Community Studies</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	HETAC
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 6
<b>Course Location</b>	Dundalk I.T.
<b>Format</b>	Part-time - 6 hours per week
<b>Day and Time</b>	Subject to change
<b>Course Duration</b>	2 years
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	€1,800 per annum for 2007-08 (€300 per module) Subject to change
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No formal academic entry standards</li> <li>• Interview</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	Maximum 30
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Entry to degree-level course
<b>Number of Modules</b>	12 Modules
<b>Assessment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuous assessment</li> <li>• Examinations</li> </ul>
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	No work placement – based on student already working in community development area
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Mid-September 2008
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Karen English</b> 042 9370586 karen.english@dkit.ie www.learn.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to offer adults working in the community or voluntary sector an opportunity to gain a recognised qualification. The qualification will enable them to contribute more fully to the growth of their organisations and will give them access to further educational opportunities.
<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1</b> Foundation Module; Communication Skills; Community Development 1; Computer Applications; Group Work; Social Studies</li> <li>• <b>Year 2</b> Community Enterprise and Project; State and Society; Project Management; The Public Administrative System; Social Studies; Community Development 2; Elective 1: Introduction to Youth Work; Elective 2: Multicultural Ireland</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social policy content throughout course modules</li> <li>• Two specific modules</li> </ul>

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>Dundalk IT</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Lifelong Learning Centre</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Community Development</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	HETAC
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 8
<b>Course Location</b>	Dundalk I.T.
<b>Format</b>	Part-time - 9 hours per week
<b>Day and Time</b>	Subject to change
<b>Course Duration</b>	2 years
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	€1950 per annum for 2007-08 (€325 per module) Subject to change
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	Higher Certificate in Community Studies or equivalent
<b>Number of Places</b>	Maximum 20
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	N/A
<b>Number of Modules</b>	12
<b>Assessment</b>	Continuous assessment/examination
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	No work placement
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Mid-September 2008
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Karen English</b> 042 9370586 karen.english@dkit.ie www.learn.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to enhance students' employment prospects, not only in community work but also in the wider education, local development and management fields
<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1</b> Community Arts; Conflict Resolution; Education in Context; Equality Studies; Management in the Social Economy; Sociology and Social Change</li> <li>• <b>Year 2</b> Adult and Community Education; Community Development 3; Gender Studies; Peace Studies; Studies in Social Change; Research Methods and Dissertation</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Throughout course</li> <li>• Three specific modules</li> </ul>

Name of Institute	Dundalk IT/City of Dublin Youth Services Board
Department or School	Lifelong Learning Centre
Course Title	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher Certificate in Youth Studies</li> <li>• BA (Honours) in Youth Work</li> </ul>
Awarding Body	HETAC
Level on National Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher Certificate - Level 6</li> <li>• Degree - Level 8</li> </ul>
Course Location	Dublin; Dundalk
Format	Part-time
Day and Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher Certificate - 1 full day per week</li> <li>• BA (Honours) - 1 day per week plus 6 weekends (one being a residential)</li> </ul>
Course Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher Certificate - Two years</li> <li>• Degree - Two years on top of Higher Certificate</li> </ul>
Fee per Annum (EU Student)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher Certificate: Fees were €2,050 per annum in 2007-08. 2008-09 to be confirmed, depending on subsidies</li> <li>• Degree: Fees were €2850 per annum in 2007-08. 2008-09 to be confirmed, depending on subsidies</li> </ul>
Extra Costs	N/A
Entry Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be over 23 years of age</li> <li>• Two years' work experience</li> <li>• Permission from management committee</li> <li>• Literacy skills</li> <li>• Basic computing skills</li> </ul>
Number of Places	24
Possible Progression Routes	On successful completion of Higher Certificate, student's can progress into degree programme
Number of Modules	13 Modules
Assessment	Essays; Group projects; Written and oral exams; Learning logs; Placements
Supervised Work Placement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 1 - five-week placement in students own project</li> <li>• Year 2 - six-week placement in another youth work project</li> </ul>
Start Date Next Course	Next intake in September 2008 providing funding secured
Contact Details	<b>Louise Fitzpatrick</b> 01 8728298 louise.fitzpatrick@dkit.ie <a href="http://www.cdvec.ie/">http://www.cdvec.ie/</a>
Course Aims	The course aims to enable participants: to possess a personalised understanding of the principles, standards and academic theories that inform youth work; to develop and demonstrate practical skills of working with young people to a professional standard; and to become conscious reflective practitioners in youth work.
Course Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher Certificate - Communications Information Collection and Analysis; Introduction to Youth Work Interventions; Community Development; Person Centred Development; Foundation Module Group Work; Psychology (Developmental); History and Development of Youth Work Policy and Theory; Youth Work Relationships; Social Studies; Work Experience</li> <li>• Degree: Understanding Organisations Youth Work as an Agent of Change 1; Conflict Resolution; Managing Youth Work; Law and Policy of Youth Work Adult -Community and Education; Equality Studies Youth Work Responses to Young People; Ethical Practice in Youth Work Gender Studies; Sociology and Social Change; Youth Work as Agent of Change 2; Work Experience</li> </ul>
Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content	Social policy content throughout modules in course



<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>Letterkenny IT</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>School of Business Studies</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Higher Certificate in Arts in Community Studies</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	HETAC
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 6
<b>Course Location</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letterkenny</li> <li>• May be delivered on an outreach basis subject to demand</li> </ul>
<b>Format</b>	Part-time: 6 hours per week for 24 weeks
<b>Day and Time</b>	Tuesday/Thursday evenings 7pm-10pm (subject to change)
<b>Course Duration</b>	2 years
<b>Fee perAnnum (EU Student)</b>	€750 per year - subject to annual review
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	Over 23 years or Leaving Certificate
<b>Number of Places</b>	20-25
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Continuation to BA in Community Development
<b>Number of Modules</b>	12 Modules
<b>Assessment</b>	Continuous assessment and examinations
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Catherine Friel</b> 074 918 6720 catherinefriel@lyit.ie www.lyit.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to provide participants with an understanding of community development and action and to offer community workers the opportunity to gain a recognised qualification in their own locality.
<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1</b> Foundation Module; Communication Skills; Community Development 1; Group Work; Computer Applications; Social Studies</li> <li>• <b>Year 2</b> Action Research; Management and Finance; Community Action and Enterprise; Community Development 2; The Public Administrative System; Project Management</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	2 modules

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>Letterkenny IT</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>School of Business Studies</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Bachelor of Arts in Community Development</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	HETAC
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 8
<b>Course Location</b>	Letterkenny
<b>Format</b>	Part-time: 6 hours per week for 24 weeks
<b>Day and Time</b>	Tuesday/Thursday evenings 7pm-10pm (subject to change)
<b>Course Duration</b>	2 years on top of Higher Certificate in Arts in Community Studies or an equivalent qualification
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	€1200 per year - subject to annual review
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	Higher Certificate in Community Studies or equivalent
<b>Number of Places</b>	20-25
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	N/A
<b>Number of Modules</b>	12 Modules
<b>Assessment</b>	Continuous assessment and examinations
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Catherine Friel</b> 074 918 6720 catherinefriel@lyit.ie www.lyit.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to enhance employment prospects in community work and in the wider education, local development and management fields.
<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1</b> Community Arts; Conflict Resolution; Education in Context; Equality Studies; Management in the Social Economy; Sociology; and Social Change</li> <li>• <b>Year 2:</b> Adult and Community Education; Community Development 3; Gender Studies; Peace Studies; Research Methods and Dissertation; Studies in Social Change</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	3 modules

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Galway</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Department of Political Science and Sociology</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Masters in Community Development Programme</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 9
<b>Course Location</b>	NUI Galway
<b>Format</b>	Full-time
<b>Day and Time</b>	Subject to change
<b>Course Duration</b>	2 years
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	€5,070 for 2007-08 (subject to change)
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Second Class Honours Grade II Degree in Social Science or related discipline</li> <li>• Postgraduate application form</li> <li>• Short interview</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	Maximum 14
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Areas of employment may include voluntary, public and private sector development initiatives, Partnership companies, overseas development work, community care, youth work and development policy research and analysis
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1</b> - 12 modules</li> <li>• <b>Year 2</b> - 6 Modules and Placement</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	Project and Essay assignments, Case study reports, Seminar presentations, Thesis research, Written examinations
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	4 months minimum
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Dr Brian McGrath</b> , Programme Director 091 493405 Brian.mcgrath@nuigalway.ie www.go4th.ie/socpol
<b>Course Aims</b>	The aim of this programme is to educate effective development agents, to make a direct contribution to change through the community development process. The programme aims to impart specialist knowledge of the practical, organisational and developmental skills required for the practice of community work and to increase analytical and evaluative understandings of the policy contexts within which community development practice takes place. It provides an understanding of the working principles and methods that underpin professional community work practice.
<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1:</b> Community Development Theory; Community Development Practice – Contemporary Issues and Debates; Techniques of Policy Research and Analysis; Introduction to Business; Group Work 1/Working with Groups; Social Policy 1; Development in International Context; Gender; Human Rights and Development; Social Support, Family and Community; Understanding Community/Studies in Community; Sustainable Development in Ireland; Working with Vulnerable Populations and Groups</li> <li>• <b>Year 2:</b> Placement with Development Organisation; Issues in Community Development Practice; Group Work 2; Local Government and Governance; Social Policy 2; Thesis Seminar</li> </ul>

**Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content**

- Social Policy 1 and 2 (both 5 ECTS modules) incorporates themes in social policy; understanding of the policy process and techniques to advance community development in policy
- Community Development Practice includes sessions on policy making and influencing policy (with inputs from Combat Poverty Agency)
- Local Government and Governance includes sessions on understanding policy-making and implementation at the level of local governance and the role of community in influencing local governance structures
- Techniques of Policy Research and Analysis includes an examination of the impact of research on policymaking process

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Galway</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Community Education Centre</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NUI Diploma in Arts: Community and Family Studies</b></li> <li>• <b>NUI Bachelor of Arts: Community and Family studies</b></li> </ul>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - not placed on NFQ</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - Level 8</li> </ul>
<b>Course Location</b>	Blended Learning Workshops will be held at a number of locations throughout Ireland which will be determined on the basis of sufficient numbers
<b>Format</b>	Part-time Currently held on Fridays and Saturdays
<b>Day and Time</b>	Series of 1 to 2-day workshops scheduled throughout year, which students must attend Approx one per month
<b>Course Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 2 years</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 2 years after diploma</li> </ul>
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	€2,900 per year. Students who have undertaken approved courses may be granted credit for their qualifications. Such credit, where granted, will lead to a reduction in overall programme fees.
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Should meet the University's requirements for Mature Students</li> <li>• Formal academic qualifications are not required to commence the BA</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	25-30 per venue Approx 80 in total
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Masters programmes in NUI, such as MA in Community Development, MA in Family Support
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 11</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 9</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	Students must attend workshops and submit an assignment for each module Also students are required to submit an end-of-year project and a proportion of assessment is based on written exams
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Eimear Forde</b> 091 495472 Eimear.forde@nuigalway.ie www.nuigalway.ie/communityeducation
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course draws upon selected components of Sociology, Politics, Community Development, Family Studies and Law.

<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1:</b> Introduction to Sociology; Social Research Skills; Elective Module; Understanding Communities; Family and Society; Community and Family Studies; Independent Research Project 1</li> <li>• <b>Year 2:</b> Elective Module; Politics and Policy Making; Issues in Contemporary Family Life; Group work and Community Leadership; Community and Family Studies; Independent Research Project 2</li> <li>• <b>Year 3:</b> Elective Module; Research Methodology in the Social Sciences; Community Consultation and Decision-making; Family and Societal Interactions; Community and Family Studies; Independent Research Project 3</li> <li>• <b>Year 4:</b> Life Long Learning: Policy and Practice; Community and Family: Project Planning, Development and Evaluation; Equality and Diversity; Research Project</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Two modules

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Galway</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Community Education Centre</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Diploma in Community Development Practice</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 7
<b>Course Location</b>	Galway City – occasional outreach provision
<b>Format</b>	Part-time Minimum 240 hours on instruction and project work, evening classes, weekend seminars and workshops
<b>Day and Time</b>	Day varies: 3 hour class weekly
<b>Course Duration</b>	1 year
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	€350 subject to annual review
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have experience of community work, no other special educational requirements</li> <li>• Informal interview</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	25
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	BA in Community and Family Studies
<b>Number of Modules</b>	6 modules
<b>Assessment</b>	Continuous assessment and an end-of-year project must be completed referencing each module
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sept 08 approx
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Gail Cassidy</b> 091 495241 Gail.cassidy@nuigalway.ie www.nuigalway.ie/communityeducation
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course offers an opportunity for participants to explore community development in detail and to learn from the experiences of development initiatives elsewhere.
<b>Course Content</b>	Community Development Theory and Practice; Communication, Group Work and Leadership Skills; Research Techniques; Social Analysis; Public Policy; Project Planning, Development and Evaluation
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	2 modules

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Galway</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Department of Economics</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma in Rural Development</b></li> <li>• <b>B.Sc in Rural Development</b></li> </ul>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - Not placed on NFQ scale</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - Level 8</li> </ul>
<b>Course Location</b>	Distance learning Workshops located at NUI Galway
<b>Format</b>	Part-time distance learning Geographical study groups encouraged to meet between workshops
<b>Day and Time</b>	Usually 10am to 4pm one Saturday per month
<b>Course Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 2 years</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 2 years on top of diploma</li> </ul>
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - €1,900 per annum 2007-08</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - €3,250 per annum 2007-08</li> </ul> Subject to change for 2008-09
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicants over 23 years must meet University matriculation requirements and should have at least two years of rural development experience. Interview may be part of application.</li> <li>• Applicants under 23 years must obtain passes in the leaving certificate examination in Irish, English, another language, Mathematics and any other two subjects recognised for matriculation. A grade C3 or above in at least two the subjects.</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	Maximum of 20
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	N/A
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 12 modules</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 16 modules</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 100% continual assessment, no end of year examinations</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - Continual assessment 60% end of year exam 40%</li> </ul>
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sept 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Maureen Mescall</b> 091-524411 ext 5325 Maureen.mescall@nuigalway.ie www.v-learn.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to enable a broad range of knowledge in the theoretical fields of rural development and rural development policy framework; to train students in the planning and management of rural development activities particularly in aspects such as community/area analysis, area planning and project management and the impacts of various approaches.



<b>Course Content*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - Introduction to Rural Development; Socio-economic aspects of Rural Development; Socio-economic community/area resource audits; Community and Rural Development through groups; Choosing and setting up a rural development related organisational structure; Marketing for rural enterprise; Business planning and stimulating rural enterprise; Interpersonal communications, leadership and group work skills; Designing and managing an Area Development Plan; Inter-organisational partnerships and the role of support agencies; Social exclusion and equality issues in rural development</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - SME Development; Co-operative Theory and Practice; Project Planning and Development; Information Technology; Communications in Development; Public and Social Policy Processes; Community Education and Development; Rural Labour Markets; Rural Development/Social and Economic Aspects of Policy and Planning; Socio-Economic Research / Level Two; Financial Analysis and planning; Food Business; Socio-Economic Research; Co-operative and Rural Social Enterprise Management; Health and Social Service Policy; Rural Tourism</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Policy content throughout modules, particularly Introduction to Rural Development, Public and Social Policy Processes and Health and Social service Policy modules

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<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Maynooth</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Department of Adult and Community Education</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	Certificate in Community Development and Leadership
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Not yet placed in NFQ
<b>Course Location</b>	CAFTA, Axis Arts Centre, Ballymun
<b>Format</b>	Part-time - 100 hours over 1 year
<b>Day and Time</b>	Thursday 10am-1pm
<b>Course Duration</b>	1 academic year
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	Dependent on centre
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	Participants must: be over 23; have the capacity to compete at certificate level; be community activists and preferably working with groups in a facilitation or leadership role
<b>Number of Places</b>	N/A
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	BA in Community Studies
<b>Number of Modules</b>	4 Modules
<b>Assessment</b>	85% Minimum attendance, learning journal, essays and project work
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	Not available
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Autumn 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	Apply directly to the centre 01 8832132/34 <a href="http://adulthoodeducation.nuim.ie">http://adulthoodeducation.nuim.ie</a>
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to facilitate the development and empowerment of course participants and to enhance their leadership skills.
<b>Course Content</b>	Modules: Introduction to Community Development Studies; Working with Groups; Social Analysis for Community Studies; Project planning for Community Development
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	N/A

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Maynooth</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Department of Adult and Community Education</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>BA in Community Studies (Honours)</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 8 Students have option to opt out after obtaining 90 credits with a diploma in Community Studies Not placed on NFQ
<b>Course Location</b>	NUI Maynooth
<b>Format</b>	Part-time Maximum of 96 hours class-based tuition
<b>Day and Time</b>	2-3 evenings per week typically 6pm-10pm
<b>Course Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 4 years</li> <li>• <b>Honours</b> - 5 years</li> </ul>
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	Fees paid by modules - fees for 2007-08: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• €383 per 5-credit module</li> <li>• €764 per 10-credit module</li> <li>• €1,532 per 20-credit module</li> </ul> Subject to change
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be over 23 years by 1st January in year of admission</li> <li>• Applications from adults who may not have completed secondary education are encouraged</li> <li>• Application form and interview</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	Unlimited
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Postgraduate Studies
<b>Number of Modules</b>	No set amount of modules Combination of modules to make up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 90 credits</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 180 credits</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	Assignments, project work, written examinations and presentations
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Early September
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Rosaleen O’Riordan (NUI Maynooth)</b> 01 7084587 Rosaleen.oriordan@nuim.ie <a href="http://adulthoodeducation.nuim.ie/courses/BA.shtml">http://adulthoodeducation.nuim.ie/courses/BA.shtml</a>
<b>Course Aims</b>	This course was developed in a response to the demand for interdisciplinary, flexible progression routes for mature students.
<b>Course Content</b>	Includes modules on social theory and social analysis; community development; youth work; adult education theory and practice; psychology of human development; public administration; community arts; counselling; and local development
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Introduction to Social Policy; Community work policies and issues

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Maynooth - Kilkenny Campus</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Department of Adult and Community Education</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>BA in Community Studies (Honours)</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 8 Students have option to opt out after obtaining 90 credits with a diploma in Community Studies Not placed on NFQ
<b>Course Location</b>	Kilkenny Campus (NUI Maynooth)
<b>Format</b>	Part-time Maximum of 96 hours class-based tuition
<b>Day and Time</b>	2-3 evenings per week typically 6pm-10pm
<b>Course Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 4 years</li> <li>• <b>Honours</b> - 5 years</li> </ul>
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	Fees paid by modules - fees for 2007-08 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• €383 per 5-credit module</li> <li>• €764 per 10-credit module</li> <li>• €1,532 per 20-credit module</li> </ul> Subject to change
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be over 23 years by 1st January in year of admission</li> <li>• Applications from adults who may not have completed secondary education are encouraged</li> <li>• Application form and interview</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	Unlimited
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Postgraduate Studies
<b>Number of Modules</b>	No set amount of modules Combination of modules to make up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 90 credits</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 180 credits</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	Assignments, project work, written examinations and presentations
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Early September 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Campus Manager Chris Reid</b> Kilkenny Campus (NUI Maynooth) 0567775910 Chris.reid@nuim.ie <a href="http://adulthoodeducation.nuim">http://adulthoodeducation.nuim</a>
<b>Course Aims</b>	This course was developed in a response to the demand for interdisciplinary, flexible progression routes for mature students.
<b>Course Content</b>	Includes modules on social theory and social analysis; community development; youth work; adult education theory and practice; psychology of human development; public administration; community arts; counselling; and local development
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social policy modules include: Introduction to Social Policy; and Community work policies and issues

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Maynooth</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Department of Adult and Community Education</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma in Rural Development</b></li> <li>• <b>BSc in Rural Development</b></li> </ul>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - Not on NFQ scale</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - Level 8</li> </ul>
<b>Course Location</b>	Home-based blended study supplemented with group workshops
<b>Format</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b>: Part-time (30 credits) distance</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b>: Full-time (60 credits) distance</li> </ul>
<b>Day and Time</b>	Flexible
<b>Course Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 2 years</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 4 years</li> </ul>
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	N/A
<b>Extra Costs</b>	Travel to non-residential occasional workshops
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be over 23 years</li> <li>• Have an interest in Rural Development</li> <li>• Assessment interview</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	Up to 20 every two years
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diploma to Degree (BSc)</li> <li>• Degree to Masters - range of disciplines</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b>: 12 Modules</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b>: 16 Modules</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b>: Continuous assessments; Module assignments; Participation in workshops; Fieldwork project</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b>: Continuous assessments, Module assignments; Examinations for each module; Participation in workshops; and Minor thesis</li> </ul>
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	Optional as part of assignment
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Michael Kenny</b> 01 7083590 Michael.kenny@nuim.ie www.y-learn.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to enable a broad range of knowledge in the theoretical fields of rural development and rural development policy framework; to train students in the planning and management of rural development activities particularly in aspects such as community/area analysis, area planning and project management and the impacts of various approaches.

<b>Course Content*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - Introduction to Rural Development; Socio-economic aspects of Rural Development; Socio-economic community/area resource audits; Community and Rural Development through groups; Choosing and setting up a rural development related organisational structure; Marketing for rural enterprise; Business planning and stimulating rural enterprise; Interpersonal communications, leadership and group work skills; Designing and managing an Area Development Plan; Inter-organisational partnerships and the role of support agencies; Social exclusion and equality issues in rural development</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - SME Development; Co-operative Theory and Practice; Project Planning and Development; Information Technology; Communications in Development; Public and Social Policy Processes; Community Education and Development; Rural Labour Markets; Rural Development/Social and Economic Aspects of Policy and Planning; Socio-Economic Research / Level Two; Financial Analysis and planning; Food Business; Socio-Economic Research; Socio-Economic Research; Co-operative and Rural Social Enterprise Management; Health and Social Service Policy; and Rural Tourism</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Policy content throughout modules, particularly Introduction to Rural Development, Public and Social Policy Processes and Health and Social service Policy modules

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<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Maynooth</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Department of Applied Social Studies</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Diploma in Community Work</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Not yet placed in NFQ
<b>Course Location</b>	Maynooth (may have some regional location, but not yet confirmed)
<b>Format</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full-time</li> <li>• In-Service part-time</li> </ul>
<b>Day and Time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Full-time</b> - usually 10am-4.30pm/5pm) five days per week</li> <li>• <b>Part-time</b> - in-service (all day, currently Fridays) with occasional workshops</li> </ul>
<b>Course Duration</b>	Full-time - 2 full years with placement during this period Part-time in service - in line with full-time but attendance only 1 day per week)
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Full-time</b> - No fees Registration fee €825 + 68</li> <li>• <b>Part-time</b> Year 1 €4,428 Year 2 €3,821 Year 3 €3,230</li> </ul>
<b>Extra Costs</b>	Extra costs for residential and field trips
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relevant experience and activity (whether paid or voluntary); an interest in, and aptitude and suitability for, community work and/or youth work</li> <li>• Can satisfy the matriculation requirements of the University</li> <li>• Interview</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	Approx. 25-30
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Progression to Level 8 Honours degree BA Applied Social Studies
<b>Number of Modules</b>	13/14 Modules in both Year 1 and Year 2
<b>Assessment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Written examinations</li> <li>• Assessment/Project work throughout the years</li> </ul>
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	Professional placements and 3-way meetings between student, supervisor and departmental staff - this is part of the integrated and assessed coursework
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Mid to late September 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Maura Haughney/Bernadette Curtis</b> 01 708 3743/4574 appliedsocialstudies@nuim.ie <a href="http://cappss.nuim.ie">http://cappss.nuim.ie</a>
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to acquire and develop knowledge, skills and personal qualities to assist students in the community setting with the integration of theory and practice, of social analysis, discussion, action and reflection.

<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Modules Level 1:</b> Practice Skills Development; Community Work Principles and Processes; Youth Work Principles and Processes; Group Work Theories and Concepts; Youth and Community Arts Fieldwork Practice placement, (FT) Supervised in-service practice (PT)</li> <li>• <b>Professional Studies:</b> Images and Ideas of Youth and Community; Equality Studies; Comparative Studies</li> <li>• <b>Contextual Studies:</b> Undertaking Research; Introductory Sociology; Public Policy-making and Administration</li> <li>• <b>Modules Level 2:</b> Study and Writing Skills; Practice Skills Development; Community Work Issues and Policies; Organisation and Management; Group Work Theory and Practice; Fieldwork Practice; Professional Studies; Community Studies and Youth Studies; Issues and Inequalities; Comparative/ International Studies; Contextual Studies: Research Methods; Applied Sociology; Social Policy; and Applied Psychology</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Policy module; various community work modules



<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>NUI Maynooth</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Department of Applied Social Studies</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Higher Diploma in Community and Youth Work</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level not entered as it is a postgraduate professional qualification, required as a prerequisite to an MA in Applied Social Studies, if a comparable professional degree was not already attained
<b>Course Location</b>	Maynooth
<b>Format</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full-time</li> <li>• In-Service part-time</li> </ul>
<b>Day and Time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Full-time:</b> 5 days</li> <li>• <b>Part-time:</b> 1 day (currently Fridays) over two years with occasional weekend residential</li> </ul>
<b>Course Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Full-time</b> - 1 year</li> <li>• <b>In-Service part-time</b> - 2 years</li> </ul>
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Full-time:</b> €5,803</li> <li>• <b>Part-time:</b> €2,487</li> </ul>
<b>Extra Costs</b>	Costs in regard to placements and residentials
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primary degree in one of the social sciences</li> <li>• Have experience, paid or voluntary, or work with communities</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	Approx 25-30 (depending on both full-time and part-time numbers)
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	MA Applied Social Studies
<b>Number of Modules</b>	16 modules
<b>Assessment</b>	Examinations; assessments
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	Placements (10-12 weeks) are a mandatory part of course and take place twice yearly on FT course and over 10-12 week period during PT course
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Mid to late September 2008
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Maura Haughney/Bernadette Curtis</b> 01 708 3743/4574 appliedsocialstudies@nuim.ie http://cappss.nuim.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to acquire and develop knowledge, skills and personal qualities to assist students in the community setting with the integration of theory and practice, of social analysis, discussion, action and reflection.
<b>Course Content</b>	Induction; Practice Skills Development, Community Work; Youth Work; Organisation and Management; Group Work Theory and Practice; Youth and Community Arts; Fieldwork Practice; Community Studies and Youth Studies; Issues and Inequalities; Comparative/International
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Policy module

Name of Institute	Tipperary Institute
Department or School	Sustainable Rural Development
Course Title	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Rural Development
Awarding Body	HETAC
Level on National Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ordinary Degree</b> - Level 7</li> <li>• <b>Honours</b> - Level 8</li> </ul>
Course Location	Thurles, Co Tipperary
Format	Full-time
Day and Time	N/A
Course Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ordinary Degree</b> - 3 years</li> <li>• <b>Honours Degree</b> - 4 years</li> </ul>
Fee per Annum (EU Student)	Registration fees are approximately €850 per year (students in receipt of a grant do not have to pay this fee)
Extra Costs	N/A
Entry Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BA (Ordinary)</b> - 5 Ds at Leaving Certificate Pass Level including Mathematics and English or Irish</li> <li>• <b>BA (Honours)</b> - 2 Honours and 4 Passes at Leaving Certificate, including Maths and English/Irish</li> <li>• Mature students by Interview and Competency Test</li> </ul>
Number of Places	10
Possible Progression Routes	N/A
Number of Modules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BA (Ordinary Degree)</b> - 18 Modules</li> <li>• <b>BA (Honours)</b> - 24 Modules</li> </ul>
Assessment	N/A
Supervised Work Placement	Every student will be required to undertake and successfully complete an approved work placement (or its equivalent) in a relevant practical setting before receiving his/her degree
Start Date Next Course	N/A
Contact Details	<p><b>Paul Keating</b>  0504 28115  ppkeating@tippinst.ie  <a href="http://www.tippinst.ie/">http://www.tippinst.ie/</a></p>
Course Aims	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Throughout this course participants will study a range of subjects which enhance their understanding of the factors contributing to the sustainable development of rural areas. They will acquire the practical skills necessary to promote development in such areas and will be encouraged to build their personal confidence and motivation as development workers.</li> <li>• Participants will be challenged to develop a balanced perspective incorporating, social, economic and environmental concerns. They will look at their own strengths and the challenges they may face in working with the diversity of people and priorities that make up rural communities. Participants will be encouraged to become self-motivated workers and skilled communicators in this new and exciting sector.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Course Content</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1:</b> Introduction to Sociology; Introduction to Environmental Management; Introduction to Sustainable Development; The Rural Economy in Ireland; Introduction to Social Research; Personal Effectiveness</li> <li>• <b>Year 2:</b> Community Development in Context; Conservation and Biodiversity Management; Environment and Sustainable Development; Enterprise Management; Research Data Collection; Group Work – Theory and Practice</li> <li>• <b>Year 3:</b> Rural Development Policy (5); Waste and Energy Management; Organisations and Management; Research Data Analysis Facilitation Skills; Models of Community Development; Work Experience</li> <li>• <b>Year 4:</b> Strategic Issues in Rural Development; Planning and the Environment; Economy, Society and Sustainable Development; Strategic Planning; Advanced Evaluation Techniques; Dissertation; Professional Practice</li> </ul>
<p><b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b></p>	<p>Participants will learn about the sociological context of rural and community development in Ireland, its history, theoretical influences and values and principles. Learners will explore the role of community development in society as well as examining the role of the community development worker. Models of practice will be profiled and the policy context of rural development will be presented. Learners will be encouraged to think critically about the nature of intervention in communities and explore ways in which communities can be enabled and empowered as self-sufficient, self aware and nurturing for all of their members.</p>

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>Tipperary Institute</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Sustainable Rural Development</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Bachelor of Arts in Social and Community Studies (Honours)</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	HETAC
<b>Level On National Framework</b>	Level 8
<b>Course Location</b>	Thurles, Co Tipperary
<b>Format</b>	Full-time
<b>Day and Time</b>	Varies
<b>Course Duration</b>	4 years
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	Registration fees are approximately €850 per year (students in receipt of a grant do not have to pay this fee)
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mature students (23 years and over) will be required to undertake a written assessment and interview process in accordance with the Institute's entry procedures</li> <li>• Those under 23 years of age require Leaving certificate or FETAC qualifications. A minimum of 2 honours and 4 passes in six Leaving Certificate subjects. English must be one of these subjects. Maths is not a subject requirement for this programme. Alternatively a full FETAC Level 5 award including a distinction grade in at least three modules or a FETAC Level 6 award is required.</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	20
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Wide variety of postgraduate options
<b>Number of Modules</b>	26 Modules
<b>Assessment</b>	Take home assignments, in-class work, exams, practical work placement
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	Mandatory placement modules in Years 2, 3 and 4
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Sinead McMahon</b> 0504 28191 smcmahon@tippinst.ie www.tippinst.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The course aims to produce suitably qualified practitioners who are competent to act in the context of an increasingly professionalised development sector.</li> <li>• The course will enable learners to develop core community development skills such as facilitation, communication, policy analysis and research.</li> </ul>
<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1:</b> Community Development in Context; Sociology; Personal Effectiveness; Introduction to Sustainable; Development; Politics and Public Administration; Introduction to Research</li> <li>• <b>Year 2:</b> Models of Community Development; Placement 1; Poverty and Inequality; Group Work Theory and Practice; Environment and Sustainable Development; Organisations and Management; Research Data Collection</li> <li>• <b>Year 3:</b> Community Development Skills and Methods; Placement 2; Social Policy; Facilitation Skills; Corporate Governance; Research Data Analysis</li> <li>• <b>Year 4:</b> Current Issues in Community Development; Placement 3; Contemporary Social Policy; Professional Practice; Economy, Society and Sustainable Development; Strategic Planning; Dissertation</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Two modules including: Social Policy and Contemporary Social Policy

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>Tralee IT</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Humanities and Social Studies</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>BA in Youth and Community Work Practice</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	HETAC
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 7
<b>Course Location</b>	Tralee, Co Kerry
<b>Format</b>	Full-time Combination of standard lectures with practitioner led seminars and site visits 18 contact hours per week
<b>Day and Time</b>	N/A
<b>Course Duration</b>	3 Years
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	N/A
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	Leaving Certificate with 2 HC3, Four OD3
<b>Number of Places</b>	25
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Graduates could expect to find employment in areas like community development, family support, youth work, and project workers with specific target groups
<b>Number of Modules</b>	Approx 36 Modules
<b>Assessment</b>	Continuous assessment, Examinations
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	12-week placements in year two and three
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Patrick Mc Garty</b> 066 719 1659 Patrick.mcgarty@ittralee.ie <a href="http://www.ittralee.ie/en/">http://www.ittralee.ie/en/</a>
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to develop practical skills which will enable students to: tackle social exclusion; increase community development capacity; promote social cohesion; improve multi-agency working; and engage in reflective practice with young people.
<b>Course Content</b>	Principles in Community Development; Sociology; Youth and Community Work; Family Support; Supervisory Management; Accounting for Non-Accountants; Research and Needs Analysis; Project Funding
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Policy contained within core modules

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>UCD</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>School of Agriculture, Food Science and Veterinary Medicine</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma in Rural Development</b></li> <li>• <b>B.Sc in Rural Development</b></li> </ul>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - Not on NFQ</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - Level 8</li> </ul>
<b>Course Location</b>	Home-based study Workshops and seminars at UCD or outreach centre dependent on student make-up
<b>Format</b>	Part-time distance learning Contact can be made with lecturer throughout via email or phone
<b>Day and Time</b>	1 day per month on a Saturday Small group meetings encouraged twice a month
<b>Course Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 2 years</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 4 years</li> </ul>
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	Approx €2,000 per annum, subject to change
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - must be over 23 years Have two years' experience in a rural development organisation Those under 23 must satisfy matriculation requirements</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - assessment; interview</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	30
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diploma to Degree (BSc)</li> <li>• Degree to Masters – range of disciplines</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 12 modules</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> -16 modules</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	Written work; Participation in workshops; Fieldwork project and report
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	September 2008 Applications accepted until end of May. Late applications may be considered
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Lily Mulhall</b> 01 7167858 lily.mulhall@ucd.ie <a href="http://www.ucd.ie/agandvet">http://www.ucd.ie/agandvet</a>
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims: to enable participants to develop a broad-ranging knowledge of the theoretical field of rural development and assist them in critically appraising the various policies, strategies and approaches in the field; to train participants in the planning and management of rural development activities particularly in aspects of community/area analysis; and to introduce students to a diversity of strategies in combating social exclusion in rural areas.

<b>Course Content*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - Introduction to Rural Development; Socio-economic aspects of Rural Development; Socio-economic community/area resource audits; Community and Rural Development through groups; Choosing and setting up a rural development related organisational structure; Marketing for rural enterprise; Business planning and stimulating rural enterprise; Interpersonal communications, leadership and group work skills; Designing and managing an Area Development Plan; Inter-organisational partnerships and the role of support agencies; Social exclusion and equality issues in rural development</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - SME Development; Co-operative Theory and Practice; Project Planning and Development; Information Technology; Communications in Development; Public and Social Policy Processes; Community Education and Development; Rural Labour Markets; Rural Development/Social and Economic Aspects of Policy and Planning; Socio-Economic Research / Level Two; Financial Analysis and planning; Food Business; Socio-Economic Research; Socio-Economic Research; Co-operative and Rural Social Enterprise Management; Health and Social Service Policy; Rural Tourism</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Policy content throughout modules, particularly Introduction to Rural Development, Public and Social Policy Processes and Health and Social service Policy modules

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<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>UCD/Respond! Housing Association</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>School of Applied Social Science</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Bachelor of Social Studies (Housing and Community Studies)</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 8
<b>Course Location</b>	Respond! Campus, Drumcondra, Dublin
<b>Format</b>	Part-time 2.5 days per month
<b>Day and Time</b>	The first Wednesday and Thursday of each month
<b>Course Duration</b>	4 years
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	€4,000 per annum, subject to change
<b>Extra Costs</b>	One residential per year and students are asked to make a contribution towards hotel accommodation
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	Must be 23 years or older
<b>Number of Places</b>	45
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Course builds from a Certificate at Year 1 to a Diploma at Year 2 to an Honours Degree at Year 4</li> <li>• Upon graduation students may undertake postgraduate qualifications such as Masters, Post Graduate Diploma, Doctorate</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Modules</b>	9 modules per year Total of 45 modules over 4 years
<b>Assessment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1:</b> 80% Continual assessment and 20% exam</li> <li>• <b>Year 2:</b> 70% Continual assessment and 30% exam</li> <li>• <b>Year 3:</b> 60% Continual assessment and 40% exam</li> <li>• <b>Year 4:</b> 60% Continual assessment and 40% exam</li> </ul>
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	Not Applicable. However there is a continuous element of work based reflective practice in each year
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Deborah Butler</b> 0818 357 901 bsscouse@respond.ie www.respond.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims to establish a professional and academic base for a career path in housing and community studies in Ireland. Years 1 and 2 of the programme equip students with foundation knowledge and skills in estate management and related tenant participation facilitation. Years 3 and 4 deepen the student's knowledge and understanding of the multidisciplinary nature of housing and community progressively, drawing on housing finance, economics, land use management, planning, design and construction, law, community development and personal development skills and professional practice.



<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Stage 1:</b> Professional Practice – Critical Reflectivity; Professional Practice Journal; Introduction to Course: IT and Adult Learning; Foundations of Irish Housing Policy and Legislation; Research Methods; Theories and Concepts of Social Policy; Housing Management and Tenant Participation; Estate Management Strategy and Development; Group-work Theory and Practice</li> <li>• <b>Stage 2:</b> Regeneration and Design; Strategic Planning and Management; Evaluation Research; Housing Legislative and Policy System; Comparative Housing Policy; Economics – Introduction; Families and Family Policy; Professional Practice Journal; Communication and Management Skills</li> <li>• <b>Stage 3:</b> Local Government and Social Citizenship; The Mixed Economy of Housing Finance; Planning and Land Use / Valuation; Professional Practice Journal; Housing Management; Legal Issues for Public and Voluntary Managers; Community Development; Concepts of Community; Local Development and Globalisation</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	4 modules

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>University College Cork</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Centre for Co-Operative Studies</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Diploma in Rural Development B.Sc in Rural Development</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> -Not on NFQ scale</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - Level 8</li> </ul>
<b>Course Location</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distance learning</li> <li>• UCC Campus</li> <li>• Virtual learning centre</li> </ul>
<b>Format</b>	Part-time, distance learning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - workshops: 12 one-day workshops over 2 years</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - lectures: 3 hours lecture each 5-credit module</li> </ul>
<b>Day and Time</b>	Varies
<b>Course Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 2 years</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 4 years</li> </ul>
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	Circa €3,000 per 60 credits 2008-09 not set until late August
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal matriculation requirements</li> <li>• Two years rural development experience; professional or voluntary</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	Approx. 15-20
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diploma to Degree (BSc)</li> <li>• Degree to Masters – range of disciplines</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 12 modules</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> -16 modules</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	Written work; participation in workshops; fieldwork project and report
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Dr Mary O'Shaughnessy, Lecturer</b> 021 490 3355 mary.oshaughnessy@ucc.ie www.ucc.ie/acad/foodbus/CCS/Programmes
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims: to enable participants to develop a broad-ranging knowledge of the theoretical field of rural development and assist them in critically appraising the various policies, strategies and approaches in the field; to train participants in the planning and management of rural development activities particularly in aspects of community/area analysis; and to introduce students to a diversity of strategies in combating social exclusion in rural areas.

<p><b>Course Content*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - Introduction to Rural Development; Socio-economic aspects of Rural Development; Socio-economic community/area resource audits; Community and Rural Development through groups; Choosing and setting up a rural development related organisational structure; Marketing for rural enterprise; Business planning and stimulating rural enterprise; Interpersonal communications, leadership and group work skills; designing and managing an Area Development Plan; Inter-organisational partnerships and the role of support agencies; Social exclusion and equality issues in rural development</li> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - SME Development; Co-operative Theory and Practice; Project Planning and Development; Information Technology; Communications in Development; Public and Social Policy Processes; Community Education and Development; Rural Labour Markets; Rural Development/Social and Economic Aspects of Policy and Planning; Socio-Economic Research / Level Two; Financial Analysis and planning; Food Business; Socio-Economic Research; Socio-Economic Research; Co-operative and Rural Social Enterprise Management; Health and Social Service Policy; Rural Tourism</li> </ul>
<p><b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b></p>	<p>Social Policy content throughout modules, particularly Introduction to Rural Development, Public and Social Policy Processes and Health and Social service Policy modules</p>

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<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>University College Cork</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Centre for Co-Operative Studies</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>B.Soc.Sc. (Honours) Youth and Community Work</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 8
<b>Course Location</b>	UCC
<b>Format</b>	Full-time Tutorial, class meeting, placement session, placement supervision and placement two-way or three-way meeting
<b>Day and Time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 consecutive days per week at lectures and tutorials (approx. 14 hours per week)</li> <li>• Placement 16 hours per week</li> <li>• Total of 30 contact hours per week</li> </ul>
<b>Course Duration</b>	3 years
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No fees if student has not attended third-level education before</li> <li>• Application and registration fee</li> </ul>
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be over 23</li> <li>• At least one years' experience in the community / youth or related sector or completed suitable access programme</li> <li>• Group and individual interview</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Places</b>	20-25
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Progression into postgraduate courses such as the Masters of Social Science (Social Policy), Masters in Third Sector Management, Masters in Social Work, Masters in Planning and Sustainable Development
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 18 modules</li> <li>• 3 Placements</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 75% Continuous assessment</li> <li>• 25% Examinations (Open book)</li> </ul>
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	Students undertake a practice placement in each year of the programme. Places are allocated in consultation with Youth and Community Work staff
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	Sep 08
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Ashok Kelkar</b> 021 490 3937 a.kelkar@ucc.ie www.ucc.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims: to provide a training course which will lead to an undergraduate degree and professionally recognised qualification in Youth and Community Work; To provide opportunities for current youth and community activists, without prior professional qualifications, to gain access to such a programme, by minimising the normal barriers to such training: geography; class; race; gender; prior academic qualifications; living circumstances and employment; and to provide such training where equal opportunity issues permeate the structures, processes, content and practices of the training.

<p><b>Course Content</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Year 1:</b> Introduction to Youth and Community Work; Social Analysis; Introduction to Research Methods; Principles and Practice of Youth and Community Work; The Formation of Communities; Placement 1; New Technology Communication</li> <li>• <b>Year 2:</b> Communications; Working with Individuals; Working with Groups; Participation and Development in Community; Individuals and Community; Research Methods and Techniques; Placement 2</li> <li>• <b>Year 3:</b> Law, Rights and Equal Opportunities; Approaches to Youth and Community Development; Reflective Action in Youth and Community Work; Social Policy Studies: The Position of Minorities; Research Skills; Organisational Development and Change; Level 3 Professional Placement</li> </ul>
<p><b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b></p>	<p>3 modules</p>

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>University College Cork</b>		
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Centre for Adult and Continuing Education</b>		
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Diploma in Youth and Community Work</b>		
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland		
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Not yet placed in NFQ		
<b>Course Location</b>	UCC Outreach Centres		
<b>Format</b>	Part-time One night per week from September/October to May and some Saturdays		
<b>Day and Time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UCC - Tuesday 7pm-10pm</li> <li>• Outreach centres - day is subject to local agreement</li> </ul>		
<b>Course Duration</b>	2 years (with option to finish after one year and gain a Certificate in Youth and Community Work)		
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	€1,000 for academic year 2008-2009		
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A		
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candidates must be at least 21 years of age by 1st January of the year of application and have Leaving Certificate (or equivalent qualifications) /FETAC Level 5 qualifications.</li> <li>• Candidates who do not have Leaving Certificate or FETAC Level 5 but are over 21 years of age and have a minimum of 2 years' relevant work experience may be deemed suitable, subject to the approval of the CACE Committee.</li> <li>• Applicants must satisfy Garda Vetting requirements</li> <li>• Candidates may be called for an interview</li> <li>• All applicants whose first language is not English must have attained IELTS Level 6 or the equivalent TOEFL score</li> </ul>		
<b>Number of Places</b>	Minimum enrolment of 20		
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Diploma holders may apply for a 15 credit non-subject specific exemption to BA (Honours) degree - Level 8		
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Certificate</b> – 4 Modules</li> <li>• <b>Diploma</b>- 4 Modules</li> </ul>		
<b>Assessment</b>	Continuous assessment, written assignments, group work and practice placement		
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	100 hours placement in year 2		
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	September/October 2008		
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>UCC</b> <b>Simona Kralickova</b> 021 490 4705 simona.k@ucc.ie	<b>Limerick</b> <b>Christine Chasaide</b> 087 9181548 christinechasaide@clvec.ie	<b>Kerry</b> <b>Brenda Healy</b> 086 8079204 healybm@eircom.net
	<a href="http://ace.ucc.ie">http://ace.ucc.ie</a>		
<b>Course Aims</b>	This programme is open to those who are interested in working with young people and/or in community setting either as a volunteer or in a professional capacity. The course is designed to introduce participants to the theory and practice of youth work as well as community work. The course will help participants to understand, analyse, evaluate and develop skills in communication, facilitation, research and evaluation.		

<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Year 1</b> - Introduction to Youth and Community Work; Principles and Practices of Youth and Community Work; Core Skills in Youth and Community Work; Introduction to Research Methods in Youth and Community Work</li><li>• <b>Year 2</b> - Models of Youth and Community Work; Practice Placement; Managing Youth and Community work Projects; Social Analysis; Disadvantage and Social Exclusion</li></ul> Subject to confirmation
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Analysis module and interspersed throughout various modules

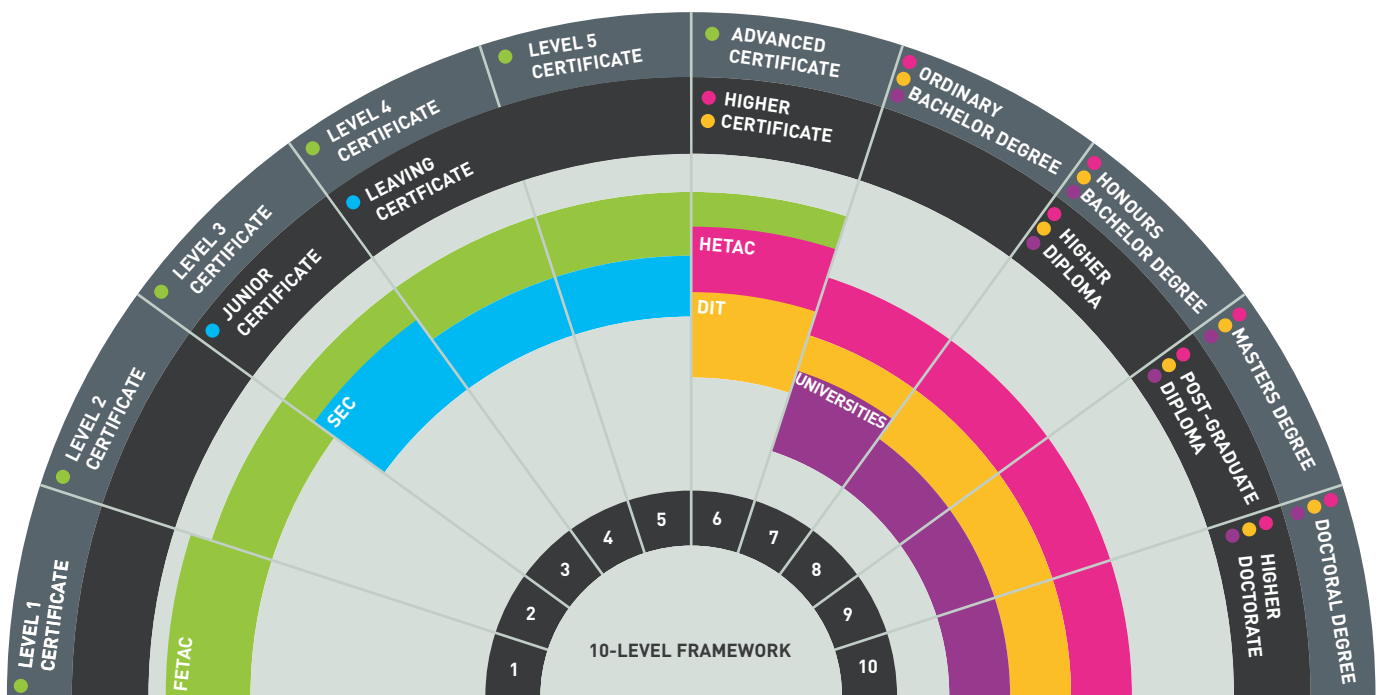
<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>University College Cork</b>		
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>Centre for Adult and Continuing Education</b>		
<b>Course Title</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Certificate in Community Development</b></li> <li>• <b>Diploma in Community Development</b></li> </ul>		
<b>Awarding Body</b>	National University of Ireland		
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Not yet placed in NFQ		
<b>Course Location</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UCC</li> <li>• Outreach Centres</li> </ul>		
<b>Format</b>	Part-time - One night per week from September/October to May and some Saturdays		
<b>Day and Time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UCC - Wednesday 7pm-10pm</li> <li>• Outreach centres - day subject to local agreement</li> </ul>		
<b>Course Duration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Certificate</b> - 1 year</li> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 2 years</li> </ul>		
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	€1,000 for academic year 2008-2009		
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A		
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candidates must be at least 21 years of age by 1st January of the year of application and have Leaving Certificate (or equivalent qualifications) /FETAC Level 5 qualifications.</li> <li>• Candidates who do not have Leaving Certificate or FETAC Level 5 but are over 21 years of age and have a minimum of 2 years relevant work experience may be deemed suitable, subject to the approval of the CACE Committee.</li> <li>• Applicants must satisfy Garda Vetting requirements.</li> <li>• Candidates may be called for an interview.</li> <li>• All applicants whose first language is not English must have attained IELTS Level 6 or the equivalent TOEFL score.</li> </ul>		
<b>Number of Places</b>	Minimum enrolment of 20		
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	Diploma holders may apply for a 15-credit non-subject specific exemption to BA (Honours) degree – Level 8		
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Certificate</b> - 4 Modules</li> <li>• <b>Diploma</b> - 4 Modules</li> </ul>		
<b>Assessment</b>	Continuous assessment, written assignments, group work and practice placement		
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	70 hours placement in year 2		
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	September/October 2008		
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>UCC</b> <b>Marian Elders</b> 021 490 4705 m.elders@ucc.ie	<b>Limerick</b> <b>Christine Chasaide</b> 087 9181548 christinechasaide@clvec.ie	<b>Kerry</b> <b>Brenda Healy</b> 086 8079204 healybm@eircom.net
	<a href="http://ace.ucc.ie">http://ace.ucc.ie</a>		
<b>Course Aims</b>	The Diploma in Community Development is intended to provide participants with a framework for working with communities contributing towards a more democratic, pluralist society. The objective of the Diploma is to equip the student with the necessary knowledge, skills, and attitudes to assist them in their engagement with the broad Community Development sector.		



<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Year 1</b> - Social Analysis of Community; Group Work Skills; History and Theory of Community Development; Research Skills in Community Development Work</li><li>• <b>Year 2</b> - The Formation of Community; Principles and Practice of Community Work; Models of Community Work; Community Work Practice Placement</li></ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Analysis of Community and interspersed through other modules

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>Waterford IT</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>School of Education and Development</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Higher Certificate in Community Education and Development</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	Waterford Institute of Technology
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	Level 6
<b>Course Location</b>	Waterford IT and Outreach Centres
<b>Format</b>	Part-time - 33 hours per 10-credit module
<b>Day and Time</b>	The programme is delivered at the times and pace decided by the group
<b>Course Duration</b>	2-3 years or at the pace decided by the group
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	Details available upon request
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	Students must be actively engaged in their local community through paid or voluntary work
<b>Number of Places</b>	Maximum 20 students
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	On successful completion of the programme, students can progress to: BA in Community Education and Development (Level 7)
<b>Number of Modules</b>	12 ten-credit modules
<b>Assessment</b>	Continuous Assessment
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	September 2008 - WIT Subject to demand - Outreach Centres
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Mary Fenton</b> 051 - 84 56 91 mfenton@wit.ie www.wit.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The overall aim of the course is to enable participants to work effectively as reflective education and development practitioners in the community and voluntary sector. The course will enable participants to reflect on, recognise and learn from their own experience in the light of relevant theory. The personal and professional development of each participant will be a priority, in an environment of peer group support.
<b>Course Content</b>	Introductory Studies; Group Work and Facilitation Skills; Social Analysis Communications; Social Policy; Information Technology; Personal Effectiveness; Community and Adult Education; Community Development; Management Practice; Professional Development and Practice Electives: Community Arts OR Sustainable Development
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Policy and Social Analysis are key components of the course

<b>Name of Institute</b>	<b>Waterford IT</b>
<b>Department or School</b>	<b>School of Education and Development</b>
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>BA (Honours) in Community Education and Development</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	Waterford Institute of Technology
<b>Level on National Framework</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ordinary Degree</b> - Level 7</li> <li>• <b>Honours Degree</b> - Level 8</li> </ul>
<b>Course Location</b>	Waterford IT and Outreach Centres
<b>Format</b>	Part-time - 33 hours per 10-credit module
<b>Day and Time</b>	The programme is delivered at the times and pace decided by the group
<b>Course Duration</b>	1-2 years
<b>Fee per Annum (EU Student)</b>	Details available upon request
<b>Extra Costs</b>	N/A
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	Successful completion of WIT's Higher Certificate in Community Education and Development or equivalent
<b>Number of Places</b>	Maximum 20 students
<b>Possible Progression Routes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On successful completion of BA in Community Education and Development (Level 7), students may progress to BA (Honours) Community Education and Development (Level 8)</li> <li>• Students may continue to progress into postgraduate programmes in the Community Education and Development area</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Modules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Degree</b> - 6 x 10-credit modules</li> <li>• <b>Honours</b> - 6 x 10-credit modules</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	Continuous Assessment - linked to the module learning outcomes
<b>Supervised Work Placement</b>	N/A
<b>Start Date Next Course</b>	WIT – September 2008 and in Outreach centres subject to demand
<b>Contact Details</b>	<b>Mary Fenton</b> 051 - 84 56 91 mfenton@wit.ie www.wit.ie
<b>Course Aims</b>	The course aims: to provide students with a broad integrated theoretical framework for community education and community development to enable them to conceptualise and critically evaluate developments in these areas; to enable participants to appreciate, analyse and evaluate the current context, development and future direction of the community/voluntary sector; facilitate the development of the participants' in-depth thought and critical evaluation capabilities; and enable practitioners to work effectively at decision-making levels in the areas of community education and development.
<b>Course Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ordinary Degree</b> - Community Development Strategic Approaches; Community Project Management; Equality Studies; Psychology of Lifelong Learning; Research Methods; Professional Development and Practice</li> <li>• <b>Honours Degree</b> - Community Education in Context; Sociology in Social Change; Community Development and Policy; Equality Studies – Identity and Difference; Strategic Management in the Social Economy; Professional Development and Practice</li> </ul>
<b>Social Policy or Social Policy Related Content</b>	Social Policy is a key component of the course



- FETAC - Further Education and Training Awards Council
- SEC - State Examination Commission
- HETAC - Higher Education and Training Awards Council
- DIT - Dublin Institute of Technology
- Universities

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