The aim of this course is to provide participants with a broad overview of key theoretical frameworks in relation to substance misuse and dependence, and to enable them to develop basic helping and intervention skills. This course focuses on introducing participants to current debates on addiction. On completion, participants will have become familiar with contemporary addiction theory as well as prevention and treatment strategies. They will have explored associated issues such as public policy, factual information on substance misuse, gender issues and community drug prevention issues to name but a few. The course will provide participants with adequate knowledge and skills to respond effectively and positively to addiction-related issues as they arise at work or in the community.

**WHO IS THIS QUALIFICATION FOR?**

This course is aimed at people already working or seeking to work in the area of drug and alcohol services or related areas:

- Community and Youth workers, Gardaí, Teachers,
- Social and Health Care workers including doctors and nurses, care centre managers,
- Counsellors and psychotherapists. Policy makers.
- Project or outreach workers in various services that deal with people experiencing problems with Drugs and Alcohol or homelessness.

**OVERVIEW**

Duration of the course is 100 hours, part-time one evening per week plus 3 or 4 Saturdays throughout the year.

Module 1 Groupwork & Facilitation Skills/Reflective Learning

Module 2 Substance Misuse and Dependence
Module 3 Drug & Alcohol Misuse in Contemporary Ireland

Module 4 Approaches to Prevention Education, Treatment & Rehabilitation

**DATES, VENUES AND FEES**

This course will commence late Sept. – early October 2017 and is available Maynooth, Dublin South City (Bluebell/Inchore), Limerick and Cork. Please see the following link for a list of centres, dates, times and fees and the on line application form: https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/adult-and-community-education/our-courses/certificate-addiction-studies

The course fee is €1250. An Easy Payment Plan is available once you register.

**CPD & PROGRESSION**

The NUI Certificate in Addiction Studies is a standalone qualification however it also the first part of the Diploma in Addiction Studies (Level 8). Credits from both the Certificate and the Diploma in Addiction Studies can be used for Recognition of Prior Learning to go towards the Degree in Community Studies.

The Cert. in Addiction studies when combined with the NUI Certificate in Training and Continuing Education (Train the Trainer Level 7) plus the Certificate in Equality Studies (On Line) forms part of the Diploma in Arts: Training and Development for Socially Inclusive Workplaces. This suite of CPD courses provide a comprehensive educational/training package in core skills such as managing issues of equality and diversity in the workplace for Team Leaders, Managers and Learning and Development Specialists.

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