

Consolidating the Assessed and Supported Year in Employment (ASYE)

Credits from this 30 credit module can be put towards a PG Cert/PG Dip Experienced Social Work Practice, PG Cert/PG Dip Advanced Social Work Practice or the MA Advanced Social Work Practice. Applications are open to registered Social Workers.

Introduction

This module is designed to support Newly Qualified Social Workers (NQSW) towards the end their first year of employment to consolidate their practice experience and move to the next level of the Professional Capabilities Framework through the acquisition of knowledge, skills and specific tools related to professional decision-making, interventions and evaluation of practice. Additionally, there is a deliberate focus on continuous professional development and access to the University's career tools and resources to support students as they deliberate their next steps within the social work profession. The module is laid out in generic terms, for example for adult and childcare practitioners but the content and teaching will reflect the needs of participants be they adult or childcare practitioner cohorts or a mixture of both.

Overview and Aims

The module overview and aims are aligned with the regulatory body Professional Standards and are also informed by the ASYE level descriptor of the Professional Capabilities Framework (PCF) and relevant Knowledge and Skills Statements (KSS).

Content

The module content includes:

- Appreciating the expectations that come from moving from NQSW to Social Worker
- Reflection and critical thinking in relation to the work environment
- Wicked practice problems
- Critical analysis and analytic thinking
- Inventive and novel interventions
- Tools to measure the effectiveness of interventions
- Decision- making skills and tools

The module has been co-produced with employers and delivered by university staff and collaborators to build upon employer-led ASYE training.

Teaching

Teaching is primarily delivered online through lectures, class discussions, group work activities, assignment surgeries, research and critical reflection. However, there may be occasions, for the purposes of supporting the programme of teaching when students will need to attend in person. Delivery is also supported by a range of online learning materials and access to library resources for personal study.

Assessment

This module will be assessed through a 4000 word essay.

Fees

The modular fee for academic year 2021/22 is £765

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