

Social Work Apprenticeship

The Apprenticeship in Social Work is an exciting dual programme that will allow you to gain both fully paid on-the-job practical experience and skills or a level 9 Masters of Social Work or Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work Studies, both of which are CORU approved. Employers and the education provider work closely together to provide you with training and learning opportunities tailored to your individual needs, learning style and life situation.

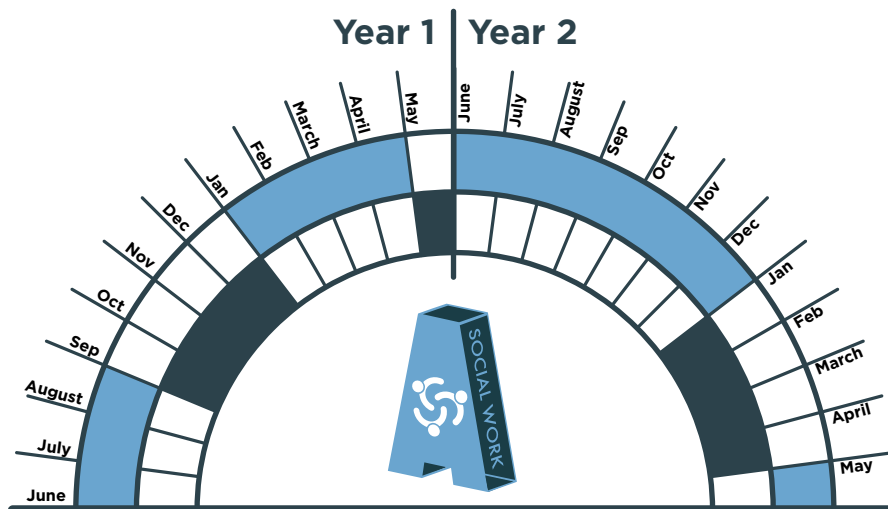
Apprenticeship	Social Work
Duration	24 months
NFQ	Level 9 Masters
Qualification upon completion	Eligible to apply for registration with CORU as a social worker
Education Provider	University College Cork



Why should you choose this Apprenticeship?

- Over half your learning takes place on-the-job
- 'Earn while you learn' Apprenticeship model with a formal contract of employment
- The apprenticeship leads to a Masters of Social Work and Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work Studies awards and these are approved by CORU
- Flexible delivery of 'off the job' learning with three days online and 2 days face to face in small groups

APPRENTICESHIP STRUCTURE



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicants must have at least a Second Class Honours Grade 1 in a primary honours degree in Social Science or its equivalent (eligible for the Masters of Social Work route)

or

2. Have an approved Level 8 conversion programme with at least a Second Class Honours Grade 1, and have completed a minimum of three-months' relevant work experience in a social work or social work-related field (eligible for the Masters of Social Work route)

or

3. Applicants who have not met the grade requirements outlined above but who hold at least an honours primary degree (NFQ, Level 8) in Social Science or its equivalent, or hold an approved Level 8 conversion programme i.e. the Higher Diploma in Social Policy and have completed a minimum of three-months' relevant work experience in a social work or social work-related field (eligible for the Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work Studies route)

or

4. 'Non-graduates with at least 5 years' professional experience in social work or a social work related field may be considered for admission under Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) (eligible for the Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work Studies route)

Note: Applicants who are non-native speakers of the English language must meet the university-approved English language requirements. Visit our PG English Language Requirements page for more information: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/study/comparison/english/postgraduate/>

Note: There are opportunities for apprentices who enter on either the Masters in Social Work or Postgraduate Diploma of Social Work Studies to move between programmes. Details of the criteria are available at: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/ckc06/>

Apprenticeship Structure:

This two-year apprenticeship programme is structured for blended delivery of online learning and face to face sessions which minimizes time off-the-job. You will benefit from small-class sizes when in college and learning and teaching methods will facilitate you to put your knowledge into practice through for example, small group activities, role-plays, student presentations and report writing tasks. You will be trained and assessed both on and off the job.

Further information on the Masters of Social Work course structure and modules is available at: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/cke64/>

Further information on the Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work Studies course structure and modules is available at: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/ckc06/>

How to become an Apprentice:

You can find information on how to become a Social Work Apprentice on the Generation Apprenticeship website at <https://apprenticeship.ie/> or the UCC Social Work Apprenticeship website at: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/apprenticeships/sw/>

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