

What our graduates say?

"The BA in Social Care is a superb degree to pursue. The content of the course is wide ranging and includes six months of relevant work experience. Once I completed the course there were a number of career options open to me. Even in these times of few employment opportunities I had a number of job offers to consider. The course content is very interesting and is brought to life by excellent, experienced academic staff".

Mark O'Connor, Graduate BA (Hons) in Social Care, 2012.

"Throughout my four years I studied various modules which are now very beneficial to me in my workplace (Merchants Quay Ireland). Modules such as law, social policy and social theories and concepts were all but a few which I undertook. I found the two work placement modules that I completed during the course extremely valuable in terms of applying theory to practice".

Lynda Murtagh, Graduate BA (Hons) in Social Care, 2012.

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Rosemary Martin
**IASCE Student Award
 Winner**

About This Programme

This four-year honours degree programme is about social care, a profession characterised by working in partnership with people who experience marginalisation, or disadvantage, or who have special needs. You will explore and analyse the development of current and future trends in social care in Ireland and how legislation in this area is drafted and regulated. As well as learning about different models of social care and their appropriateness to different situations, you will also learn how to deliver a social care service, both alone and as part of a team, to people in community, day-care and residential settings.

Entry Requirements

A minimum of six passes in the Leaving Certificate (including Mathematics and either English or Irish), with at least Grade C3 in two Higher Level papers, together with at least Grade D3 in four Ordinary Level papers plus a minimum of 300 points.

The minimum entry requirements for mature applicants/graduates of FETAC Level 5 or 6 awards is any full award. Applicants are also required to successfully pass a competitive interview process.

Career Opportunities

There are various career options within social care. These include:

Working with children and adolescents in residential childcare, people with learning and physical disabilities, the homeless, people with alcohol or drug dependency, families in the community, older people, recent emigrants to Ireland, the state sector (for example the Departments of Health and Children, Education and Science, and Equality and Law Reform) and the voluntary sector (including organisations like Barnardos, and the Brothers of Charity, many of which are fully or partially funded by the government).

The Programme Includes

- Practice Placements
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Issues in Social Care
- Study, Research and Writing Skills
- Theories and Concepts of Social Care
- Personal and Professional Development
- Skills Development
- Holistic Health and Wellbeing
- Creativity and the Arts in Social Care
- Art in Community and Social Contexts
- The Discourse of Ageing
- Legal Framework for Social Care
- Social Policy
- Qualitative Research
- Quantitative Research
- Gender and Social Change
- Legal Issues in Social Care
- Social Entrepreneurship for Social Care
- Principles of Professional Practice
- Care in a Multicultural Context
- Working with Children and Families
- Social Care and Disability
- Addiction Studies
- Research Project
- The Economic and Political Contexts of Care

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