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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 or 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

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University College Cork, Ireland



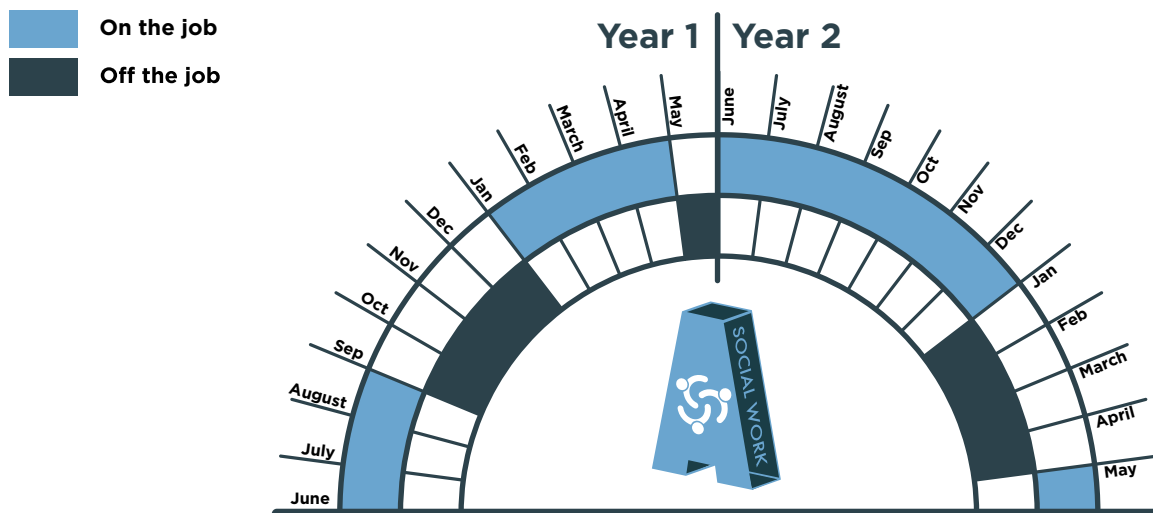
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APPRENTICESHIP STRUCTURE



Entry Requirements to Master of Social Work (MSW):

1. Applicants must have at least a Second-Class Honours Grade 1 in a (NFQ) level 8 degree in Social Science or similar (e.g. Social Care) plus three-months' relevant work experience in a social work or social work-related field

or

2. Have an approved (NFQ) Level 8 conversion degree with at least a Second-Class Honours Grade 1 plus three-months' relevant work experience in a social work or social work-related field

Entry Requirements to Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work Studies:

1. Applicants who may not have met the grade requirements outlined above but hold at least a (NFQ) level 8 degree in Social Science or similar (e.g. Social Care) plus three-months' relevant work experience in a social work or social work-related field

or

2. Hold an approved Level 8 conversion degree plus three-months' relevant work experience in a social work or social work-related field

Consideration under Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) for entry to the Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work Studies may also be given to applicants who:

1. Hold an (NFQ) Level 8 degree in any subject area plus 12 months' relevant experience in a social work or social work-related field

or

2. Hold a (NFQ) Level 7 degree in social science or similar (e.g. Social Care) plus 3 years' relevant experience in a social work or social work-related field

or

3. Non-graduates with at least 5 years' professional experience in social work or a social work-related field

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

Note: There are opportunities for apprentices who enter on either the Masters of Social Work or Postgraduate Diploma in 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 [Here](#)

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