

Postgraduate Certificate Enhancing Professional Practice: Working with Offenders



This is a professional development programme for practitioners working with offenders – including those in Probation, Prison Service and Youth Justice.

About the course

The programme aims to up skill practitioners through postgraduate study, enabling career advancement, achievement of high levels of performance and enhance ethical decision making in relation to the priority areas identified by West Mercia Probation Trust including:

- Assessment of individual's mental health and well being
- Promoting social justice and social inclusion
- Safeguarding individuals at risk of harm in the context of domestic violence.

In a changing and uncertain world these will remain key social issues in the 21st century. The programme will focus on the range of multi-dimensional skills and knowledge needed to work with offenders in an interdisciplinary framework. This course is seeking to recruit experienced and qualified practitioners who work in or manage services for offenders. The programme is committed to attracting a diverse workforce. Workers from a variety of allied professions who are keen to develop an inter-professional dialogue, are welcome.

Entry requirements

1. A good honours degree plus at least one year's professional experience in working with offenders for example in Probation, Prison Service, Social work or Youth Justice.

or:

2. At least three years experience in working with Offenders in a related field, a relevant professional qualification and evidence of ongoing professional development.

All potential candidates will be invited to attend for interview selection. Decisions regarding overseas candidates who cannot attend interview will be made on the basis of application and references.

Course structure

The programme commencing February 2013 will be studied through intensive block periods normally over two weekends per semester, one module per semester for three semesters. The teaching periods will be supported through electronic communication and the personal academic tutoring system. The three inter-disciplinary modules studied are:

- The Psychology of Mental Health
- Safeguarding Adults, Children and Young People in the Context of Domestic Violence
- Managing Diversity

Each module may be studied as a discreet entity or as part of the PG Certificate.

Find Out More

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