

Level 6
Waterford (Blended)

Higher Certificate **Arts in Literacy Development**

Course overview

This part-time Level 6 award is aimed at current tutors/practitioners working or volunteering in the field of adult literacy /adult basic education or the wider Further Education & Training (FET) sector. It is also suited to those wishing to pursue a career teaching/tutoring in adult basic education, FET and community education contexts, or to those with an interest in adult literacy.



The programme is developed in conjunction with the National Adult Literacy Agency (NALA) and aims to provide the theoretical background, practical skills and opportunity to reflect on the practitioners' role in supporting adult learners experiencing literacy difficulties.

- Developed by literacy organisations & practitioners for literacy practitioners.
- This is a part-time blended learning programme with a delivery model that facilitates the working practitioner scheduled on weekend teaching blocks. Delivery will be a mix of on campus and online modes.
- Classes are delivered in workshop-style, where collective, collaborative and creative learning is strongly encouraged.
- Learning can be applied directly to your practice.
- A lecturing team that is hugely experienced in FET & adult literacy. Lecturers value the wealth of experience & knowledge that adult learners bring to the classroom.
- Subsidy scheme available to support literacy practitioners or those in receipt of Dept Social Protection payments.

Year 1 (Mandatoryx4)

Developing Literacies 1
Intro to Curriculum Development &
Assessment; Intro to Philosophy of Adult
Education Practical Teaching Skills

- Psychology
- Developing Literacies 2
- Counselling
- Groupwork

- Adult Numeracy
- Digital Literacy
- Integrating Literacy
- TESOL 1
- Equality & Diversity in Education
- Family Literacy
- Literacy and Society
- TESOL 2

* Elective modules offered subject to viability.

This programme will enhance participants' professional competence and capabilities as adult literacy practitioners. Previous graduates have successfully gained employment with:

- Education & Training Boards (ETBs) nationally
- SOLAS
- Other Further Education & Training (FET) settings.

On successful completion of this programme, graduates may progress to the Level 7 Bachelor of Arts in Adult and Further Education or equivalent courses in another Higher Education Institute.

Applicants should be involved in adult literacy or have an interest in getting involved. Ideally applicants should also be actively involved in the Adult & Further Education sector.

Applicants may be invited to attend an interview for entry to the programme.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL): applicants with significant prior experience in FET sector may apply for advanced entry or exemptions using SETU RPL Policy. For further information contact the Programme Leader.

Applicants whose primary language is not English must submit evidence of competency in English. You will need an IELTS score of 6 (minimum of 5 in each component) or equivalent. Please see: www.setu.ie/englishrequirementswaterford

Online application forms are available at www.setu.ie/ldc or literacy.wd@setu.ie.

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