

Graduate Certificate/Diploma (Welfare and Benefits Advice)

The School of Health Sciences, University of Stirling in collaboration with Macmillan Cancer Support are delighted to advertise this exciting online, distance-learning opportunity for Health, Welfare, Social Care, Information, Advice and Volunteer professionals to participate in further study.



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Who is it for?

All health, welfare, social care, information/advice and volunteer professionals with experience supporting people affected by cancer and/or long term conditions.

Why is it needed?

Information, advice and support are central to health and well-being. Health, social care, welfare, information/advice, volunteers and allied professionals play a key role in providing information, advice and support – and are often the first line of contact. This programme provides academic accreditation and the opportunity to acquire key learning and advice skills to enhance practice and professional competencies. The pathways offered allow the student to structure their learning alongside their work or volunteer-based practice. The programme is guided by experts, ensuring that a robust credible practice base is embedded within the learning framework.

Period and mode of study

This is an online, distance learning programme and there is **no requirement to attend on campus**. All learning materials are available online, supported by library materials, individual and group tasks/discussions and further information activities. Each module runs for 15 weeks.

Current students

Current students represent a wide range of age-groups and are mostly working full/part-time in a variety of sectors including: NHS; Local Authorities; welfare rights; housing associations; hospices; advice bureaux; disability networks; Macmillan Cancer Support... and many other areas.

Graduation: two pathways

The **Graduate Certificate (Welfare and Benefits Advice)** will be awarded after successful completion of 3 modules **NURU301-303** (66 credits over 16 months).

The **Graduate Diploma (Welfare and Benefits Advice)** will be awarded after successful completion of 6 modules **NURU301-306** (minimum 120 credits over 32 months).

Modules

- **NURU301** The Origins and Development of the Welfare System
- **NURU302** The Law relating to Employment and Disability
- **NURU303** Social Security: Development and Welfare Reform
- **NURU304** Living Well with Illness
- **NURU305** Living Well with Illness: Older People
- **NURU306** Living Well with Illness: Children and Young People

Do I have to complete all the modules?

No. Each module is also available as a single study module. A module certificate will be awarded for successful completion.

No Formal Entry requirements

There are **no** formal entry qualification requirements. Students must work/volunteer in some capacity with people affected by cancer and/or long term conditions.

What is the credit level and value?

Each module is assessed at SCQF Level 9 (BSc Degree Level) with 20 credit points. For further information on SCQF Levels please see following link: www.scqf.org.uk

RAE rating

In the most recent Research Assessment Exercise (RAE) in 2008, 20% of the School's research was described as 'World-leading' and a further 65% as of 'International Significance', placing us firmly as one of the top ten departments in the UK.

Programme/module start and costs

Modules are available in Autumn and Spring semesters. *£440 per module (*please check with Programme Lead as costs may be subject to change).

Modules are offered subject to demand and have a minimum number requirement. Please contact Programme Lead in the first instance to check module availability.

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