**Cardiff School of Education and Social Policy.**

**Key Information required:**

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| **Programme title: MA Education: Youth and Community Work (with embedded endorsed PG Dip in Youth and Community Work)** | |
| 1. **Content of course:** | The MA in Youth and Community Work (with a professionally endorsed Post Graduate Diploma in Youth and Community Work embedded in it) is endorsed by Education Training Standards Wales. As such it is mapped against the National Occupational Standards (NOS) for Youth and Community Work (2019) and against the Quality Assurance Authority (QAA) Subject benchmarks (2019) for Youth and Community Work. Completion of the course enables registration with the Education Workforce Council for Wales as a professional practitioner.  **Modular study**  The course has eight 15 credit modules of study, four theory based and four more practice focused fieldwork modules, and a 60-credit dissertation module:  Developmental Relationships, Developing Reflective Practice (fieldwork module), Principles of Community Development and Youth Work, The Community Context of Practice (fieldwork module), The Social Policy Context of Practice (fieldwork module), Principles of Praxis, Managing Community Practice, The Critical Practitioner (fieldwork module), and the Dissertation  **Fieldwork**  Students are required to undertake a minimum of 300 hours practice in at least two settings working with young people over the course of study (full time over one year or part time over two years). The placements will need to provide scope to meet the National Occupational Standards in Youth Work (YWNOS) and you will need to ensure that at least 50% of the placement hours involve face-to-face contact with young people. |
| 1. **Length of course:** | The course can be studied as a one-year full time route or a two, or three-year part time route |
| 1. **How the course will be delivered:** | **The full-time route:**  Sessions for two modules per semester will be held on Monday and Tuesday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (for both PG Dip and the full MA) and two modules per semester will be delivered as a block over a three consecutive days in October and February school half terms  **Part time route:**  **Year 1:** Sessions for one module in semester 1 will be held on Monday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (for both PG Dip and the full MA) and one module per semester will be delivered as a block over three consecutive days in October.  **Year 2:** Sessions for one module in semester 1 will be held on Monday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (for both PG Dip and the full MA) and one module per semester will be delivered as a block over three consecutive days in February.  Each module will incorporate 36 hours of directed study, using a ‘blended learning’ approach and involving pre-recorded lecture content and study tasks that link to online live interactive webinars, group and pairs work as well as campus teaching. The volume of on campus teaching, which in normal conditions is 90% but in 2021 will be dependent on restrictions placed on the University as a result of COVID 19 alert levels.  Students undertaking the MA in Youth and Community Work on either full time or part time routes will be allocated a dissertation supervisor for the dissertation module who will support and direct them through the dissertation process. Students have an option to submit in October 2022 (FT) or October 2023 or May 2024 (PT) |
| 1. **Cost of course:** | Full time fees are £9000 per academic year. Fees are based on the number of credits that students enrol onto per year with fees at £1000 per 20 Credits.  A discount of 25% on fees will be applied to Alumni or who those employed for 30 hours per week or more in registered partner organisations of Cardiff Met (Evidence in the form of a headed letter from the organisation needs to be submitted verifying this. To find out if your organisation is registered contact Cez James the programme director) |
| 1. **How the course will be assessed:** | The course uses a range of assessment methods appropriate to the modular content. These include:   * Standard written assignment * Assessed academic debate * Pairs presentation * Practice Portfolio * Viva |
| 1. **Award:** | MA Education: Youth and Community Work (with embedded professional endorsement) |
| 1. **Possible locations:** | The course will be delivered at Cyncoed campus |
| 1. **Complaints:** | Cardiff Metropolitan University is committed to providing high quality services and facilities for students, staff and the general public. Integral to this is monitoring and evaluating those services to enhance quality and to ensure specified standards are met.  We have in place a variety of mechanisms to ensure that students, staff and public have the opportunity to participate fully in the development and improvement of services and it is expected that all parties will take full advantage of these in making their views known.  We recognise that there may be occasions when feedback mechanisms are not sufficient to deal with problems. It is for this reason that a Complaints Procedure has been established. The Complaints Procedure should be used when informal attempts to resolve the matter within the School or Unit have not resolved the issue.  Procedural advice is available from the Complaints Officer who can be contacted on email at [complaints@cardiffmet.ac.uk](mailto:complaints@cardiffmet.ac.uk), and independent support and advice on submitting a complaint is also available to students from Cardiff Met Students Union.  <http://www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/registry/Pages/Complaints.aspx> |