

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The Certificate in Mentoring and Education aims to provide students with an understanding of the Irish education system, its structures, governance and procedures. It will introduce students to the role of a peer mentor and how to be an effective role model, mentor and support person for students and parents within the Traveller community.

The niche skills and practices created with this level 6 programme would allow for graduates to look for opportunities in the area of mentoring for education specialising in Traveller access to education.

This Certificate in Mentoring and Education is a Programme for Access to Higher Education 3 (P.A.T.H.) initiative which was designed for the Traveller community in consultation with the Traveller community.

NFQ LEVEL: 6 CREDITS: 15 AWARD TYPE: Special Purpose Award APPLICATION: Apply Now CLOSING DATE: 29th January 2021

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants must have a basic level of I.T. skills e.g. uses email, internet, video calls etc., have a strong interest in Traveller access to education, with a commitment and desire to work actively as a peer mentor within the Traveller community. Applicants will be required to attend an interview on campus (subject to COVID-19 restrictions and permissions) or via an online platform, during the week commencing 1st February 2021.

Priority will be given to applicants with:

- A thorough knowledge and understanding of the issues that affect the participation and attainment of Travellers in education;
- An ability to build a trusting relationship with Traveller families in the county;
- The willingness to work with people from a wide range of backgrounds, agencies and sectors.

MODULES:

The Irish Education System (5 Credits) Mentoring for Education (10 Credits)

DURATION:

This programme will consist of a preparatory course from February 2021 – March 2021 and the accredited Certificate course from March 2021 – December 2021 (subject to ratification). Students will be required to attend 2 days per week on-campus (subject to COVID-19 restrictions and permissions) throughout the duration of the programme (2-3 hours per day).

COST:

Fees do not apply to applicants who are successful in gaining entry to the course. There is an allowance to cover participation in the course.







