



Dear Colleagues,

The sun is finally shining brightly in the sky, at least a few days a week, and talks of a summer break or family holiday are firmly in the air. But, before you take off on your next adventure, please browse a few of our short news items below. There may be a flexible course delivery available to you now that suits your needs perfectly. There are two podcasts that will be of interest too. Thanks for taking the time to read our short newsletter.

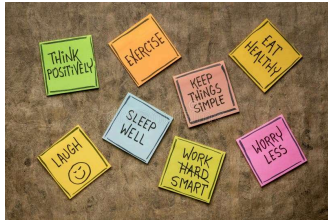
BA in Social Care: Unprecedented number of applicants this year!



We are delighted to share the news that over 75 applicants attended our Applicants Day event recently. It is a day where applicants undertake a language test and an interview on their journey to being offered a place on our BA in Social Care. The diversity of attendees was so encouraging and we will certainly continue to welcome potential students from all corners of Ireland and from all walks of life!

We still have room for more students. The next Applicants Day event is scheduled to take place at our Dublin offices on July 22nd. Please contact us if you have any questions relating to our CORU approved [BA in Social Care](#).

All important student (and colleague!) wellness



Our topic this week is motivation and how do we keep motivated. *“Keep your eye on the prize by learning how to nurture and stay motivated on your college journey.”*

Fiona Colclough

Staying motivated, let's be real, is challenging for us all. This week's reflection piece is valuable advice for students and colleagues alike, so please take a quick moment to listen to our latest wellness podcast from our Health and Wellness Co-ordinator, Fiona Colclough. [Listen HERE](#)

BA Honours in Applied Social Studies (Disability Service Management) - applications open!



Our new level 8 BA Honours in Applied Social Studies (Disability Service Management) degree has been designed for those working in the disability sector and is the perfect add-on qualification for Level 7 social care graduates seeking progression opportunities. It commences in September and students will complete their studies within a typical academic year through our award winning blended model of delivery. Applications are now open. Please see all course details [HERE](#).

Headway launches its new weekly podcast series!

One of our Associate Tutors, Shane Fitzgerald, has been part of an important team who have launched a brilliant podcast series.



Shane states: "The Headway Podcast offers a closer look at brain injuries, featuring personal stories and perspectives. Join us every week for a journey through recovery, hope, and resilience."

CPD short course: Managing Service Quality & Safeguarding (Online)

This is a popular and practical choice for those seeking a management qualification that complies with the minimum HIQA requirement that all managers within our sector possess a recognised management qualification.

The course introduces the student to various models of quality and how effective quality systems can impact on organisational performance and effectiveness.

This course is delivered flexibly in order to allow participants to work and study at the same time, only attend one workshop day and study the rest of the course in your own time, online. This module makes up one half of our **Fast Track Management course** that students can complete in 12 short weeks in order to meet the HIQA requirement.

All course details can be found [HERE](#). Apply today!



We are an award winning third level College creating and delivering practical courses with content that is specific to our sector, with tutors who possess real world experience within our sector, thus providing a unique learning environment for our students.

The OTC is of the sector, for the sector!

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