



Dear Colleagues,

We are enthralled by the Olympic games and the Irish team of world class athletes. They left Dublin airport last week and some have since started their competitive campaigns. Similar thoughts go to the recent applicants to our new Honours degree in Applied Social Studies. Our students will also be taking flight in their careers and will be making waves and sparking change in our sector in the years to come. We see an Olympian commitment from these students and a clear focus to be effective change makers in our sector. Please see the early bird offer below. Please also check out our wellness podcast episode this month which concentrates on handling the feeling of being overwhelmed. We also hear an uplifting story from one of our Honours degree students. Thank you for taking the time to read our short newsletter.



Honours BA in Applied Social Studies: Early Bird offer until August 15th!

Calling all aspiring change makers! Learn the skills to become better practitioners and drivers of positive change, real innovators in the disability sector.



We are delighted to offer an Early Bird tuition fee of €4,800 for those successful applicants who accept an offer of a place on our [Honours BA in Applied Social Studies \(Disability Service Management\)](#). This is a relatively short offer period so please make your application as soon as possible. Call or email me on 086 0756580 or cmurray@opentrainingcollege.com if you have questions.

Recent students have called the level 8 Honours degree 'transformational'!

BA in Social Care: 2nd round offers now taking place until Aug 7th



We are currently offering places on the [BA in Social Care](#) to those successful applicants who attended for interview on July 22nd. If any places remain after this round of offers, we will again reopen the online application centre on August 8th and will invite online applications for people to attend interviews on September 9th. The degree is CORU approved. [Click HERE](#) to view a brief video of the applicant day (interview) event. Applicants must be able to attend this event in person in order to progress their applications.

All-important student (and colleague!) wellness

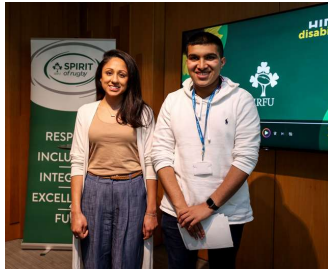
'It is important to note that one of the major causes of feeling overwhelmed is that we can lose focus on what really matters in every given moment and in life generally. Choose to direct your mind and give it the space to stop, in this way you will be keeping your mind in check, thus impacting positively on your whole body.' *Fiona Colclough*



A previous important topic in our series is all about how to avoid being overwhelmed. It's impossible to totally switch off, but we can learn to turn down the volume. Please take a quick moment to listen to our wellness podcast from our Health and Wellness Co-ordinator, Fiona Colclough. You can [listen HERE](#).

An uplifting story from one of our students about a family member who is a disabled person!

Our Honours degree student, Edward Maliyakal, reminds us of the purpose of his educational journey with the OTC: 'As you know, it was all for my son who opened the door of disability and now lives in a wonderful world of abilities forgetting his disability. My son, Ashwin, is presently studying level 4 and aims to join Trinity College (TCPID) in 2026 to study a level 5 course. I never ever dreamed he would reach such levels.' His latest achievement through SMH can be read [HERE](#)



Award winning online management training for leaders. Early bird offer until Sept 15th

The OTC is now enrolling frontline managers on our [Certificate in Applied Management](#). The course has been accredited since 1996 and has been described by students as 'top quality' and 'unbelievably relevant to our sector'.

Delivered by tutors with actual frontline experience, the course assignments tackle issues that students are likely to face in the workplace. This course is delivered flexibly in order to allow participants to work and study at the same time, only attend one workshop day per module via zoom, and study the rest of the course in their own time, online.



Apply today to avail of this generous **Early Bird offer of just €2,100 for 6 modules**, which is provided until September 15th.



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!

Best wishes,

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