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**Other Courses Running at
The University of Wales, Newport**

- Postgraduate Diploma Special Educational Needs - Specific Learning Difficulty (DYSLEXIA)
- Postgraduate Diploma Special Educational Needs - Visual Impairment

Distance and Online Postgraduate Courses 2008/09

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Course

This is a unique E-Learning-based course delivered by Professor Amanda Kirby of The Dyscovery Centre at the University of Wales, Newport. The Dyscovery Centre is a home for research, clinical practice and consultancy, specialising in DCD/Dyspraxia, with an international reputation for innovation. The course attracts participants throughout the world, drawn from a wide range of professionals with an interest in difficulties associated with living and learning. Parents and people who themselves have Dyspraxia have also benefited from taking the course.

What Do You Study?

This inter-disciplinary course consists of two modules:

- Assessment and identification of DCD/Dyspraxia and related specific learning difficulties
- Interventions and management of DCD/Dyspraxia

Course content addresses the needs of individuals who have or may have DCD/Dyspraxia. It explores issues in identification, assessment and management and links theory with practice.

Delivery is mainly online and is supported by a variety of relevant resources and course materials specially written by Professor Kirby and her team for this course, and including a text book and CD ROMs.

Students receive tutorial support, including online support, and regularly access an online discussion forum.

Where Next?

Some students go on to the MA SEN at the University of Wales, Newport. Others transfer the credits gained for the modules (total 60 at Masters level) into Masters programmes at other universities, or undertake CPD courses relevant to their particular professions.

Teachers who have undertaken the Postgraduate Certificate in SEN (Dyspraxia/ DCD) have increased career opportunities in a range of settings including providing advice, support and expertise to pupils, parents, mainstream and special schools.

Entry Requirements

You should be a graduate, or if you are a non-graduate, over the age of 25, you will need a minimum of two years' relevant experience.

Modules

Module 1 covers:

- Characteristics and definitions of DCD
- Co-occurring conditions e.g. ADHD, ASD, Dyslexia
- What is understood about gene/environment interaction
- Identification at different ages and stages, including adolescence and adulthood

Module 2 Covers:

This module considers the management of DCD/ Dyspraxia and effectiveness of intervention approaches in relation to the whole child/individual and the family.

This entails the student completing an independent piece of action research in relationship to the context where the student is working.

Enrolment and Start Date

Module 1

Induction day September 10th 2008

Hand-in January 24th 2009

Module 2

Induction day February 18th 2009

Hand-in June 1st 2009

Course Cost

£600-00 including course manual/ access to online materials

Developmental Co-ordination Disorder/ Dyspraxia and Specific Learning Difficulties

This is a 2-module Postgraduate Certificate (as a part of MA SEN).

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Course

This is a postgraduate course for those working with children and adolescents with ADHD who want to enhance their skills in this area. It is led by Professor Amanda Kirby, Medical Director, The Dyscovery Centre, University of Wales, Newport, and Dr Gill Salmon, Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist.

What Do You Study?

This is an interdisciplinary course and so allows the potential to gear the course for both health and education, ensuring the student gains wide knowledge of the latest multimodal approaches.

There has been increased awareness of ADHD in the UK and internationally and a shortage of child and adolescent psychiatrists able to undertake all the work. This course will guide the Allied Health Professional (AHP), paediatrician or CAMHS team member to understand the diagnosis and treatments for ADHD and gain the skills to work in this field. The module will also be relevant to teachers with an interest in and some experience of working with children with ADHD and related developmental disorders.

This course is delivered as a blended learning course, taught through a variety of media including 4 days' face-to-face teaching time, case study, assignment, and online materials.

Where Next?

There are 30 CAT points allocated for the course which can be transferred to other programmes.

Entry Requirements

You should be working currently in a setting with children and adolescents with ADHD and related developmental disorders, and also have the ability to study at a postgraduate level.

Course Cost

£700-00 which includes course manual/access to online materials and 4 days' direct teaching time.

Face-to-Face Teaching Time

Day 1: 30th September 2008 first day and registration

Day 2: 1st October 2008

Day 3: February 3rd 2009

Day 4: February 4th 2009

Hand-in date for assignment: April 30th 2009.

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (Adhd)

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