

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Loss and Bereavement in the Palliative Care Setting
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	4
4	Module Code	HSC4077

5 Module Overview

Working within the health and social care professions, you will come into contact with people who have been diagnosed with a palliative illness or may be approaching the end of their life. You may also be supporting individuals who have recently experienced loss and are experiencing bereavement. This module aims to provide you with the relevant knowledge and understanding in order to provide support to these individuals.

Alignment with Philosophy and Aims

The Foundation Degree Health and Social Care programme is committed to developing workers who will be compassionate, caring, knowledgeable and productive members of inter-professional teams, with the ability to be adaptable and flexible in order to respond to the ever changing needs and priorities of the services we support.

During this Module you will investigate role the knowledge and skills required to support your individual working roles and therefore benefit your service users. You will develop into an individual that can influence the quality of care delivered and disseminate good practice within your organisation

Learning and Teaching Strategy

The teaching and learning approaches are designed to maximise the benefits of sharing knowledge and expertise in the classroom. Lectures for this module will consist of an overview of the module, searching and research skills and discussions on the content of the assessment. The majority of the module teaching hours will be tutorial time with the module tutor to negotiate the content of the chosen topic and completion of the poster presentation.

Assessment Strategy

This module comprises of one item of summative assessment: Individual presentation.

6 Indicative Content

This section covers indicative subject matter only.

- Definitions of loss, grief and bereavement
- Loss due to death
- Loss due to reasons other than death
- Impact of loss and grief on individuals
- Grief theories
- Supportive strategies

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- Talking therapies
- Role of voluntary sector in bereavement support

7	Module Learning Outcomes On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:		
	1	Identify relevant grief theory that may explain an individual's reaction to loss and bereavement.	
	2	Analyse the benefits of a palliative care approach when supporting clients with life limiting illness.	
	3	Discuss strategies that may be utilised to support an individual who is experiencing loss or bereavement.	

8	Module Asse	essment				
Learning Outcome						
		Coursework	Exam	In-Person		
1, 2, 3				X		

9 Breakdown Learning and	Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities		
Learning Activities	Hours		
Scheduled Learning (SL)	36		
includes lectures, practical classes			
and workshops, peer group learning,			
Graduate+, as specified in timetable			
Directed Learning (DL)	152		
includes placements, work-based			
learning, external visits, on-line			
activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as			
directed on VLE			
Private Study (PS)	12		
includes preparation for exams			
Total Study Hours:	200		