

Certificate in Elderly Care

MQF Level 4 | 60 ECTS





ACADEMY



ABOUT US

Founded in 2005 as IDEA Leadership and Management Institute, IDEA Academy has since evolved into one of Malta's leading higher education institutions accredited by the Malta Further and Higher Education Authority. We offer a selection of bespoke, accredited programmes in a wide variety of fields, from certificate level right up to master's level.

Our mission is to provide quality, industry-driven education to adult students who are already seasoned practitioners and professionals. In doing so, we adopt a student-centric, blended approach to learning with minimal disruption to one's personal and professional life.



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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Certificate in Elderly Care aims to equip you with the skills and competences to become a caregiver for elderly people.

You will learn how to handle elderly people with health issues, as well as challenges presented when working within multidisciplinary teams in elderly care settings. The course covers the physical, psychological, nutritional and mental aspects of human health, as well as the tools you will need to deal with illnesses and challenging behaviour.

This programme focuses on the Maltese legislation related to the sector and promotes the National Occupational Standards for Elderly Carers, as well as the National Minimum Standards for Care Homes for Older People.



TARGET AUDIENCE

This course is targeted at:

- candidates seeking a career and a formal qualification in elderly care;
- candidates who wish to progress in their studies along the Further and Higher Education route, whilst broadening their chances of advancing in their own career path.

CAREER PATHS

This programme aims to prepare you to become a caregiver for elderly persons, in line with the National Occupational Standards for Elderly Care.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Candidates who apply for this course must possess one of the following:

- a pass in English Language and Mathematics;

OR

- a MQF Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care ('O' Level or equivalent).

STRUCTURE & ASSESSMENT

This is a part-time programme and will typically take 15 months to complete. The programme comprises a total of 9 study modules and a work placement. The method of assessment is assignment-based.

The course comprises:

- 6 lectures per module;
- 3-hour lectures (evening);
- 12 hours of online content per module, comprising asynchronous online discussions, tutorials and/or videos;
- 150-hour work placement.

COST

Reading for the entire Certificate in Elderly Care as presented in this brochure costs €2,000.*

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be eligible for a 70% refund of the cost through the 'Get Qualified' scheme.**

Due to the modular structure of the course, you may also opt to take individual modules as stand-alone. The entry requirements still apply.***

* Prices are applicable to students who already reside in Malta at the time of the application.

** Terms and Conditions apply.

*** For the price of individual modules, please contact the IDEA Academy team.

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

MODULE/UNIT TITLE	COMPULSORY OR ELECTIVE	ECTS
1. Introduction to Elderly Care	Compulsory	6 ECTS
2. The Ethics, Rights, and Responsibilities of Carers for the Elderly	Compulsory	6 ECTS
3. Communication and Interpersonal Skills	Compulsory	6 ECTS
4. Health and Safety in Elderly Care	Compulsory	6 ECTS
5. Infection and Prevention Control	Compulsory	6 ECTS
6. Personal and Professional Development for Elderly Carers	Compulsory	6 ECTS
7. Mental Health in the Older Adult	Compulsory	6 ECTS
8. Nutritional Health for the Elderly	Compulsory	6 ECTS
9. Supporting Elderly with Special Needs	Compulsory	6 ECTS
10. Elderly Care Application (Work Placement)	Compulsory	6 ECTS

You are required to complete all 9 study modules and the work placement (60 ECTS) to obtain the Certificate in Elderly Care.

Total credits: 60



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