

we train we place we care

Diploma of Community Services Work (CHC50608)

Course Overview

The Diploma of Community Services Work offered by CHARLTON BROWN® is the ideal for those seeking a career in welfare as it prepares students for employment in specialised support networks through theoretical learning and service based work placement.

Workers in this role are usually involved in service delivery, either direct client work and/or health promotion and community development projects. Workers at this level operate at an advanced skill level and may also have responsibility for the supervision of other staff and volunteers. Workers at this level are required to have an understanding of Indigenous culture and history and to work with local communities in the provision of services.

The Diploma of Community Services Work comprises of 66 teaching weeks plus 36 weeks of holidays (102 weeks in total) full-time, including both in-class learning and practical experience. Essential knowledge will be assessed through written work and essential skills will be assessed through the industry placement. Students are required to complete 240 hours of practical placement in the first year, and 240 hours in the second year.

Upon completion of this course students are qualified to obtain employment as an Early Intervention Co-ordinator, Case Worker or Manager, Family Support Worker, Pastoral Care Counsellor, Senior Youth Officer/Chaplain, Social Welfare Worker or Program Coordinator. Graduates may also wish to continue their studies at a university level.

Course Structure

Qualification Prerequisites

CHCCS411A, HLTHIR403B

Qualification Requirements

Compulsory	13 units
Elective	5 units
Total	18 units

Compulsory Units

CHCCD514A	Implement community development strategies
CHCCM503C	Develop, facilitate and monitor all aspects of case management
CHCCOM504A	Develop, implement and promote effective workplace communication
CHCCS500A	Conduct complex assessment and referral
CHCCSL501A	Work within a structured counselling framework
CHCCW503A	Work intensively with clients
CHCGROUP403D	Plan and conduct group activities
CHCLD415A	Confirm client developmental status
CHCLD514A	Analyse impacts of sociological factors on clients in community work and services
CHCORG428A	Reflect on and improve on own professional practice
HLTOHS300A	Contribute to OHS processes
CHCAD603A	Provide systems advocacy services
CHCCS502A	Maintain legal and ethical work practices

Electives

HLTHIR404B	Work effectively with Aboriginal and/or Strait Islander people
CHCCHILD401A	Identify and respond to children and young people at risk
CHCCD516A	Work within organisation and government structures to enable community development outcomes
CHCPOL501A	Access evidence and apply in practice
CHCDIS301A	Work effectively with people with a disability