Welcome!

Welcome to our newsletter which informs you of all that is happening in West Cork's premier and only dedicated centre for further education, Rossa College of Further Education. For the first time this coming year the College will not share its campus with second level students making it the region's only dedicated third level campus. The College has undergone significant renovations in the past year and now boasts a Healthcare Suite and a completely renovated computer suite, one of three available to students. So why not consider us for your further education needs in West Cork.

NEW FOR

e-Business

In response to changing economic activities and the development of the Ludgate Digital Hub in Skibbereen Rossa College of Further Education has introduced a new course, e-Business, This course takes the best aspects of the Office Administration course and combines them with new digital based modules to create a dynamic and up to date qualification. Modules on offer include Web Authoring, E-Business Studies, The Internet, Book-keeping, Payroll, Spreadsheets & Work Experience.

Opportunities for Progression

QQI qualifications also lead onto Diploma and Degree courses in third level Colleges. A QQI course can be used to calculate CAO points and can even qualify the student for exemptions from the first year of Diploma/Degree courses. Graduates of the College have regularly commented that the completion of their course in Rossa College gave them a distinct advantage when they went onto third level.















Don't Like Exams?

People often associate exams with courses. In OOI courses formal exams only account for a small percentage of the overall result. That is not to say there is not work involved, however work is submitted over the course of the year and assessed as the student progresses. While there may be an exam in some courses, the majority of marks are awarded for the work completed along the way. Tutors are on hand throughout the year to assist students to reach their full potential.

Significant Investment in Healthcare Facilities

Healthcare facilities in the College have seen significant investment over the past year. A dedicated and spacious Healthcare room has been developed and is complete with equipment to enable an enhanced quality of practical application as well as theoretical knowledge for students.



Annual Awards Ceremony

QQI Awards or FETAC as they were previously known are Further Education and Training Awards. All our awards are

quality assured by QQI and are recognised at home and abroad. These awards are often the primary qualification required for a range of professions and careers.

In Rossa College of Further Education we take pride in formally recognising our student achievements at our annual Graduation Ceremony.

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Healthcare: Level 5

Healthcare is an ever popular course with great employment opportunities available both locally and nationally. The Healthcare course provides excellent preparation for the workplace and also for those interested in pursuing a nursing degree. By completing the course students will also secure qualifications in both Manual Handling and First Aid. The course is delivered by experienced and qualified professionals who have practical workplace knowledge. This year, the development of a dedicated Healthcare room with associated equipment has enhanced provision considerably. Modules include Care Skills, Care Support, Safety and Health at Work, Care of the Older Person, Infection Prevention and Control. As with all our courses, Work Experience and Communications are essential modules.

Childcare: Level 5

Love to work with young children? The basic requirement needed to work in any Childcare facilities is QQI Level 5. Having completed this course you will be able to work in crèches and variety of other childcare settings including as a SNA in schools. Modules include Early Care and Education Practice, Early Childhood Education & Play, Child Development, Children with Additional needs and Creative Arts for Early Childhood. Work experience and Communications are also key modules. Employment prospects are excellent in this area.



Level 5: eBusiness

This course equips students with the skills needed to work in all aspects of a modern computerised business. Students are introduced to Web Design, E-Business Studies, Internet, Book-keeping, Payroll and Spreadsheets. The course is delivered in a modern computer room with 100mb broadband in place. It leads onto the Advanced Certificate in Business which is currently on offer in the College.

Horticulture: Level 5

Our excellent horticultural facilities have recently been expanded to include a second polytunnel as well as expansion to the rear of the College. Modules include Fruit and Vegetable production, Plant Propagation, Plant Identification and Use, Soil Science and Plant Science. Horticulture is very much a 'hands on' course and Work Experience is an essential part of it.



Our Students

The profile of our students varies from year to year. Some students have been unemployed or out of the workforce for family reasons and are upskilling. Others are recent school leavers and hoping to qualify in an area leading directly to employment. Of course we also have students planning to pursue diploma and degree courses at third level. Whatever your reason, a QQI qualification can only be of benefit to you and we will support you throughout your time with us.

Advanced Certificate in Business: Level 6

Graduates of this course will be qualified in office management, which enables them to oversee the running of an office or start their own business. Participants will have the opportunity to explore the concepts of managing people and business performance. Modules include Business Law, Business Management, Finance, Spreadsheets and Advanced Payroll. Students can progress to degree courses with this qualification.



Art Craft and Design: Level 5

In this course learners are facilitated in improving their skills & widening their understanding & appreciation of art. We encourage our students to explore a variety of media & skills; Drawing, Painting, Greenwood Furniture Making, Design Skills, Combined Materials etc. Students develop a vocabulary for evaluating their







