

## LETTER CIRCULAR - Institute for Education

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**Subject:** Master of Science in Addressing Adolescents with Divergent Behaviour - Applications for September 2025

**Course Delivery:** 3 Years Part-Time (Blended)

**Applications Open:** 16:30 (CET) 14 May 2025

**Application Link:** [MDIV/01/2025](https://www.ife.edu.mt/mdiv/01/2025)

**Application Deadline:** 30 June 2025

**Tuition Fee:** Home/EU/EEA Applications: €950 per annum.

Non-EU/EEA: €5,000 – Full Price

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The Institute for Education is accepting applications submitted online as from **16:30 hrs of 14 May 2025** for the part-time blended-learning course *Master of Science in Addressing Adolescents with Divergent Behaviour* (MQF Level 7, 90 ECTS) starting in September 2025. Applications will be on a first-come first-served basis and limited to the first six (6) eligible applicants.

### Course Details

This postgraduate programme offers a comprehensive and multidisciplinary approach to understanding and addressing the complex challenges associated with adolescents displaying divergent behaviour. This programme provides an in-depth exploration of various facets crucial to effectively engage, support, and rehabilitate adolescents exhibiting such behaviour. Through a multidisciplinary approach, the programme emphasises the development of practical strategies for prevention, intervention, advocacy, and support for this vulnerable population within various settings, including schools, community organizations, and juvenile justice systems. It aims to equip practitioners working with Adolescents with Divergent Behaviour such as educators, social workers, youth workers, and other similar professionals with advanced skills to address the unique challenges posed by adolescents exhibiting divergent behaviour.

Applicants following this programme will have the possibility to exit with a:

- Postgraduate Certificate in Addressing Adolescents with Divergent Behaviour (upon completion of 30 ECTS)
- Postgraduate Diploma in Addressing Adolescents with Divergent Behaviour (upon completion of 60 ECTS)

More information about the course can be found [here](#).

### **Minimum entry requirements**

Applicants are required to be in possession of the following:

1. A Bachelor's degree (MQF Level 6 with a minimum 180 ECTS) or higher in education, social work, youth work, probationary studies, psychology, criminology, sociology, social studies or a cognate area deemed relevant by the Institute for Education.

Applicants awaiting results for qualifications requested under the minimum entry requirements (with the exception of MQF Level 3 qualifications) or applicants in possession of a qualification conferred following an administrative pass, may be accepted as Probationary Course Participants. These applicants will be required to provide proof that they are currently awaiting first-sitting results and consequently provide proof of successful attainment of these results by no later than the 5th September 2025.

### **Language Requirement for Students from countries other than Malta**

In addition to the above requirements, applicants whose mother tongue is not English, and who have never followed a full qualification taught in English language are required to demonstrate English language proficiency with an Academic IELTS score of 6.5, or an equivalent score from another recognised international proficiency examination.

### **Technological Requirements**

All accepted course participants must ensure that they have a strong internet connection and a working microphone and camera for synchronous (live) online sessions.

### **Fieldwork Placement**

To corroborate the theoretical aspects of this programme, this course also includes two (2) structured fieldwork modules, each comprising of 90 hours of practical fieldwork placement, per academic year. The placement will take place within reputed institutions experienced with dealing with adolescents exhibiting divergent behaviour. This component will be spread across a number of months.

More information about the fieldwork placement can be found [here](#).

### **Student Agreement**

Accepted applicants will be required to endorse a Student Learning Agreement. The purpose of this agreement is to define the conditions of acceptance to undertake studies at the IfE. By signing the agreement both the IfE and the course participant will be agreeing to the stipulated conditions defining the relationship for the duration of studies.

## Fees

Upon receiving the acceptance letter by the Institute, applicants from countries in the European Union (EU), Switzerland and countries in the European Economic Area (EEA) are required to pay €950 per academic year.

International applicants who are not from the EU, Switzerland or from a country within the EEA are required to pay in full the total cost of the course; €5,000. For further details kindly refer to the IFE's [Tuition Fees Policy](#). Modes and methods of payment will be communicated to the accepted applicants.

## Get Qualified Scheme

This course falls under the Get Qualified Scheme, an initiative supporting the achievement of qualifications and certifications required by the industry.

For further information, application and procedures kindly follow [this link](#).

This Scheme is not administered by the Institute for Education.



## Submission of applications

Interested applicants are kindly asked to submit an online application via the following [link](#). Deadline for submission of applications is **Monday 30 June 2025**. A maximum of six (6) eligible applicants will be accepted on the programme.

## Disclaimer

The running of all programmes is subject to a minimum number of participants and subject to availability of resources.

## Progression

Participants enrolled in one of the Master's programmes and who want to progress to the dissertation module need to ensure that they maintain an overall average mark of 65% or higher in all taught and placement modules.

For more information, kindly contact us on **ife.admissions@ilearn.edu.mt** or **25982038**.

Thank you.

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