

LETTER CIRCULAR - Institute for Education

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To the attention of: Heads (College Network), Heads of Schools, Assistant Heads of State and Non-State, Assistant Directors, Education Officers, Heads of Department, Teachers and Sections

Subject: Award in Children and Adolescent Online Wellbeing commencing October 2025

Application Link: [M109/01/2025](#)

Application Open: Currently Open

Tuition Fee: Free of Charge

Application Deadline: 19 September 2025

The Institute for Education is accepting applications submitted online for the Award in Children and Adolescent Online Wellbeing (MQF Level 7, 2 ECTS) commencing in October 2025 offered in collaboration with the Foundation for Social Welfare Service (FSWS) as part of the BeSmart Online project. The sessions will be offered face-to-face at the Institute for Education, Pembroke.

Course Details

The internet has become today's playground for children and teens. But unlike a safe schoolyard, this digital space can expose them to risks that shape how they see themselves and the world.

From cyberbullying, grooming, sexting, and online child sexual abuse, to the normalisation of harmful behaviours in games and media, unsafe social media challenges, excessive screen use, and even AI-generated content that blurs reality—young people are navigating challenges that deeply affect their wellbeing.

That's why BeSmartOnline, as Malta's Safer Internet Centre, are offering this accredited course through the Institute for Education (IfE):

- Understand the realities of the "online playground"
- Respond effectively to risks like sexting, grooming, and cyberbullying
- Support healthy digital habits and resilience in young people
- Stay ahead of emerging trends in AI and digital technologies

And the best part? This course is being offered free of charge!

This accredited course is designed for educators, social workers, guidance teachers, youth workers, and professionals who support children and adolescents.

Minimum Entry Requirements

Applicants interested in following this programme are to satisfy one of the minimum eligibility criteria:

1. A Bachelor's Degree (MQF Level 6 with a minimum of 180 ECTS, or equivalent) in Education, Social Work, Humanities, or any other equivalent and comparable qualification; OR
2. A Bachelor's Degree (MQF Level 6 with a minimum of 180 ECTS, or equivalent) together with a Postgraduate Certificate in Education (MQF Level 6 or higher) or equivalent.

Applicants are required to submit certificates as well as transcripts to corroborate claims of qualifications currently in their possession.

Schedule

Delivery of sessions will be face-to-face. Any unforeseen changes in session dates will be communicated at the earliest.

Delivery Date	Time of Lecture	Mode of Delivery	Location
20, 23, 27, 30 October 2025	15:30 - 18:00	Face-to-face	Institute for education Martin Luther King Road Pembroke PBK 1990

Language Requirement for Students from countries other than Malta

Applicants whose mother tongue is not English, and who have never followed a full qualification must also meet any additional requirements as specified in the [Admission Regulations](#).

Submission of applications

Interested applicants are kindly asked to submit an online application by following this [link](#). Deadline for submission of applications is **Friday, 19th September 2025**.



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

Thank you

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