



PROGRAMME ADVISING

Diploma Youth Development Work

ACADEMIC YEAR
2024/2025



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO GUIDE COURSE SELECTION & REGISTRATION

Kindly review this document at the start of each semester
for any adjustments to the schedule.



New Students

Students who enrolled as of Academic Year 2020/2021 must follow the prescribed course of study and sequence given for their programme.

Continuing Students

Students are required to successfully complete all courses in Year 1 before they can proceed to undertake courses in Year 2. Please continue to follow the prescribed course of study given.

Advice For Managing Course Load

Most students carry between 1 – 3 courses per semester. **For the working adult**, we recommend that you **do not attempt more than three (3) courses** per semester and two (2) courses in the summer.

Plan wisely to suit your particular situation so you may perform at your full potential. Do not jeopardize your long-term goals by being unrealistic about what you can handle.

IMPORTANT NOTE for New Students

Orientation is the first step to achieving academic and personal success at The UWI Open Campus. It supports you by assisting with your transition to the online environment. It will equip you with the needed navigational skills to function successfully online and provide pertinent information about the available services, go-to persons and responsibilities as an online student. It is imperative that you attend the online sessions offered by the Programme Delivery Department (PDD) as well as the session offered at your local site office.

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The **Diploma in Youth Development Work (Dip YDW)** is an online programme that integrates theoretical perspectives with the practice of youth development work. This programme uses a subset of courses from the BSc in Youth Development Work. On completion of the Diploma, successful students may choose to transition to the degree programme.

Graduates of the **Dip YDW** programme will be equipped to perform technical, administrative and leadership functions in support of activities undertaken to promote youth development work in the public and private sectors; apply theoretical perspectives to the practice of youth work in planning, implementing, monitoring and evaluating youth development projects; mobilise stakeholders to identify, support and address the interests of the youth as articulated by them; and promote networking and partnerships among youth-related agencies.

The **Dip YDW** is delivered online. Students must have access to a computer and internet service. Online orientation is conducted before the start of the programme.

The Diploma in Youth Development Work consists of 11 Core courses and three (3) or more Electives. The Core courses yield 37 credits and the Elective(s) 8 - 23 credits. Students can take a minimum of 45 credits or a maximum of 60 credits. All courses are taken from the BSc YDW programme.

- Semesters 1 and 2 have thirteen (13) weeks of instruction each, plus an examination period.
- The summer session has seven (7) weeks of instruction plus the examination period.



Remember to check the programme-advising document before the start of registration and during the semester for any updates or additional information.

Prerequisites for Matriculation into the Diploma Youth Development Work Programme

- **Mathematics Requirements:** For entry to the Undergraduate programmes, an approved qualification in Mathematics is required. The minimum Mathematics requirement is a pass at CSEC or the equivalent. Candidates who do not meet this requirement must successfully complete the approved remedial Mathematics course Mathematics (MATH0900). MATH0900 is offered in semesters 1, 2 and the summer.
- **English Language Requirements:** The English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT) is used to assess whether applicants to the Undergraduate programmes possess a satisfactory level of writing and reading proficiency in English for university academic purposes. ELPT is a pre-requisite for FOUN1001: English for Academic Purposes. For those persons requiring ELPT, the exam schedule is posted by the Registry on the Department's Web Page at: <https://www.open.uwi.edu/admissions/undergraduate/english-language-proficiency-test-elpt>. Also, check your site office for more details. The offering of ELPT this academic year are:

August 23rd 2024

November 22nd 2024

January 10th 2025

April 11th 2025

- **Technology Requirement:** Students will need to have access to a computer with Internet access.

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The Diploma in Youth Development Work Prerequisites for Matriculation and Exemptions

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	SEMESTER	PREREQUISITES, TIPS & Assessment Types
YEAR 1			
FOUN1501	Foundation for Learning Success	1, 2	All students are required to take this course at the start of this programme. It is a core competency that you will require throughout its duration. If you choose to take only one course, this course must be selected. TIP: To move on to Level 2 courses, students must successfully pass this course. 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW1000	Youth Development Work: Introduction to Theory & Practice	1	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOCI1002	Introduction to Sociology	1, 2	Should be taken in Semester 1 only if you do not have the requirement to take FOUN1001. This course is a prerequisite for YDEW1001, which will be offered in Semester 1 of Year 2. It should be completed by Semester 2 of Year 1. 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
SOCI1001	Introduction to Social Research	2	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW1001	Sociology of Youth	2	SOCI1002 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
GOVT1000	Introduction to Political Institutions and Analysis	Summer	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
ECON1000	Principles of Economics 1	1	CXC/CSEC/CAPE Mathematics or Improving Your Mathematics Skills (IYMS) 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
PSYC1000	Introduction to Psychology: Social, Developmental and Abnormal	1, 2	No Prerequisite 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YEAR 2			
<p>Before taking a Level 2 course, students are required to successfully pass a minimum of eight (8) Level 1 courses.</p> <p>TIP: Second Year students</p> <p>Complete the courses FOUN1501, FOUN1210 and FOUN1001 courses before moving to Level 2 courses</p> <p>Pass all Level 1 prerequisite courses before registering for Level 2</p>			
YDEW2000	Youth Development Work: Personal and Professional Development	1	YDEW1000 (4 credit course) 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW2001	Contemporary Issues in Youth Development	Summer	YDEW1000 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW2008	Applied Social Research: Youth Research Project Practicum (pt. 1)	1	SOCI1001 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW2009	Applied Social Research: Youth Research Project Practicum (pt. 2)	2	YDEW2008 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
ELECTIVES			
YDEW2004	Management and Leadership Skills for Youth Work	Summer	YDEW2000 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination) (4 credit course)
YDEW2003	Youth Governance and Participation	2	YDEW1001 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW2005	Health, Safety and Well-Being in Youth Work	Summer	YDEW2000 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW2006	Youth Entrepreneurship and Sustainable Livelihoods	1	YDEW2000 ECON1000 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW2007	Youth and Sustainable Development	1	YDEW2000 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
PSYC2015	Developmental Psychology	1	PSYC1000 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)

YDEW3000	Youth Development Work: Networks, Partnerships and Resources	2	YDEW2000 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW3002	Youth Advocacy: Principles and Tools (4)	2	YDEW2000 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW3003	Youth Advocacy: ICTs in Youth Work	Summer	YDEW3002 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)
YDEW3004	Supporting Youth in Grief and Trauma (3)	Summer	YDEW2000 PSYC2015 100 % Continuous Assessment (no final examination)

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