Time Commitment

The programme runs from September 2024 to June 2026. One class held online once a month, usually on Saturday and two class will take place face-to-face over two consecutive days (Thursday and Friday) later in the month. Classes in Year 1 commence at 9:15 am and finish at 5:30pm

Classes for Year 2 are normally held in two day blocks once a month (Mondays and Tuesdays). As the format is blended, some classes will be face-to-face and others will take place online. The exception to this is at the beginning of Year 2 (September 2025) where there will be a requirement to attend for three days. These dates will be made available before September 2025.

Participants are expected to attend all sessions and to devote time to the self-directed learning and assignments associated with the programme.

While contact hours or lectures make up 30 hours per module, this course is designed relative to the QQI and ECT systems. A guideline of 250 student hours per module to include contact time, course work preparation, self-directed learning and reading is suggested, although individual students may vary in the time commitment required.

From time to time, there may be a change to this timetable. You will be notified of any changes in a timely manner via email and Moodle.

Timetable

Year	Module	Day	Month	Format		
2024	Induction Day	Wednesday	September 4	Classroom		
	M1 Loss, Grief & Bereavement Models through the life span	Saturday	September 7	Online		
	M1 Loss, Grief & Bereavement Models through the life span	Thursday	September 12	Classroom		
	M1 Loss, Grief & Bereavement Models through the life span	Friday	September 13	Classroom		
	M2 Counselling in Loss and Bereavement	Saturday	October 5	Online		
	M2 Counselling in Loss and Bereavement	Thursday	October 10	Classroom		
	M2 Counselling in Loss and Bereavement	Friday	October 11	Classroom		
	M3(a) Applied Bereavement Practice (Clinical Practice group)	Saturday	November 2	Online		
	M3(b) Organisational Staff Support (General group)	Saturday	November 2	Online		
	M3 (a) Applied Bereavement Practice (Clinical Practice group)	Thursday	November 7	Classroom		
	M3b Organisational Staff Support (General group)	Thursday	November 7	Classroom		
	M1 Loss, Grief & Bereavement Models through the life span and M2 Counselling in Loss and Bereavement	Friday	November 8	Classroom		

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2024	M5 Research Appraisal	Saturday	December 7	Online
	Integration Day and RCSI Library	Thursday	December 12	Classroom
	M3a Applied Bereavement Practice Clinical Practice Group)	Friday	December 13	Classroom
	M3b Organisational Staff Support (General Group)	Friday	December 13	Classroom
Year	Module	Day	Month	Format
2025	M 6(a) Advanced Counselling and Practitioner Self	Saturday	January 11	Online
	M6(b) Range of Loss and Finite Loss	Saturday	January 11	Online
	M 6(a) Advanced Counselling and Practitioner Self (Clinical Practice group)	Thursday	January 16	Classroom
	M 6(b) Range of Loss and Finite Loss (General group)	Thursday	January 16	Classroom
	M5 Research and Integration day	Friday	January 17	Classroom
	M4 Loss, Death & Bereavement in Society	Saturday	February 8	Online
	M4 Loss, Death & Bereavement in Society	Thursday	February 13	Classroom
	M4 Loss, Death & Bereavement in Society	Friday	February 14	Classroom
	M7 Policy & Management in Bereavement Care	Saturday	March 1	Online
	M7 Policy & Management in Bereavement Care	Thursday	March 6	Classroom
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	M7 Policy & Management in Bereavement Care	Thursday	April 10	Classroom
	M7 Policy & Management in Bereavement Care	Friday	April 11	Classroom
	Integration Day	Thursday	May 8	Classroom