**The modules covered in the course are:**

**Year 1**: 40 credits total, 4 modules

***ED6610:****Professional Studies*: *Teaching in the Adult Learning Environment (****20 credits; Semesters 1 and 2****) -*Attendance at weekly workshops (4 hours) throughout Semester I (10 Saturdays) and II (10 Saturdays); 16 hours (8 hours each Semester) for supporting research study and self-assessment = 96 hours’ contact.

***ED6607:****Foundations 1*:*Philosophy, Sociology and Psychology of Adult Learning (****5 credits; Semester 1****) –*Blended approach. Predominantly face-to-face teaching with some online sessions. Approximately, 10 x 2 hours (face-to-face); 2 x 2 hours (online) - (Friday afternoons) = 24 hours contact.

***ED6608:****Foundations 2*:*FET Policy and Practice in Ireland (****5 credits; Semester 2****)* - Blended Learning: Attendance (compulsory) at 2 half-day (Friday afternoon) workshops – 6 hours plus six (3 hour) online sessions via MS Teams (Friday afternoons) = 24 hours contact in total.

***ED6611:****Professional Teaching Placement 1 (****10 credits; Semesters 1 and 2****) -*On-site teaching in one Further or Adult and Community Education setting.

**Year 2: 20 credits total, 2 modules**

***ED6612:****Professional Teaching Placement 2 (****15 credits; Semester 1****) -*On-site teaching in one Further and/or Adult Community Education setting.

***ED6609:****Foundations 3*:*Adult Education and Social Change (5 credits; Semester 1) -*Attendance (compulsory) at three (6-hour) workshops (Saturdays) = 18 contact hours; plus two (3-hour) online sessions via MS Teams (Friday afternoons) = 24 hours contact in total.

**Assessment**

* Reflective teaching portfolio; Individual and Team-Teaching practical assessments.
* Reflective learning journal, online blogs and participation in discussion boards.
* Formative assessment Year 1: 2 Supervised visits and feedback sessions based on clear Teaching Council criteria (reports given each visit) plus inspection of Teaching Placement E-Portfolio.
* Summative assessment Year 2: On-site teaching in one Further and/or Adult Community Education setting. Assessment: 2 Supervised visits (before Christmas) and feedback sessions based on clear Teaching Council criteria (reports given each visit) plus inspection of Teaching Placement E-Portfolio.