



COURSE

ADVANCED PRACTICE IN END OF LIFE CARE (MDSC 161)

(15 week 20 credit M level course)



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Delivered annually: Commences January

This flexible part-time course is designed for Doctors, Nurses and Allied Health Professionals who are specifically interested in developing an in-depth knowledge and understanding of end of life care as part of their academic and career development. It is particularly suitable for professionals who are aiming to balance study with their professional working life and who require a flexible approach. The course will encourage you to challenge and develop your professional practice within this area.

The MDSC161 is accredited with the University of Liverpool and can be undertaken as an individual 'stand alone' course in support of your continuing professional development or as part of your academic study within a University of Liverpool MSc Programme.

ABOUT THE COURSE

Your study on the MDSC 161 will provide you with the opportunity to critically examine a range of topic areas relating to end of life care, including the psychosocial, cultural and spiritual aspects involved in the experience of advanced illness and the provision of compassionate care for the patient and their family. You will be encouraged to critically examine key ethical principles within the context of end of life care and through a process of critical reflection and discussion, consider the impact on practice. The course will also help you to examine key theories relating to the principles of loss, grief and bereavement.

You will have the opportunity to examine the influence of the professional role including the impact of recent national strategic developments surrounding contemporary end of life care.

HOW YOU WILL LEARN?

The course uses a blended approach to learning, which involves a series of workshops and e-learning activities enabling you to critically examine the current evidence base relating to end of life care, engage with expert speakers, participate in group discussions and activities and undertake individual reflection.

The use of e-learning is a core component of the course which aims to enhance the learning afforded by the workshops, assuring the quality of your experience through interaction beyond the classroom. Established Lecturers with a clinical background in palliative care will support your learning throughout and will assist with the e-learning technologies.

ASSESSMENT

On successful completion of the MDSC 161 you will achieve 20 credits at Level 7 of the Higher Education Credit Framework. In order to achieve this you will need to successfully complete a summative assessment which is set against clearly defined learning outcomes. The summative assessment for the MDSC 161 currently involves two components involving a poster presentation and a piece of academic written work. Further information regarding the assessment process can be provided on enquiry or application. It is strongly recommended that you discuss the activities and summative assessment requirements before registering to undertake the course.



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COURSE INFORMATION

For further information about this course including course fees, course dates and how to register please contact Mrs. Jan Barnard Administrator 0151 794 8806 or email jan.barnard@liv.ac.uk. You can also click on the '[course enquiry](#)' link to request further information.

Funded places may be available for this course, although please be aware that these places may be limited.

WHERE DOES IT LEAD?

On completion of this course you will receive 20 credits at Level 7 of the [Higher Education Credit Framework](#) which can be used as evidence of continuing professional development within your field of practice or as part of your academic development. The course compliments the MDSC 160: Advanced Practice in Palliative and can be used as part of a specific MSc Programme within the University of Liverpool. For further information on the MSc Programme please contact Mrs. Sharon Phillips, Learning and Teaching Lead (Acting) on 0151 794 8827 or Sharon.phillips@liv.ac.uk

COURSE LEADERS

Advanced Practice in End of Life Care includes teaching which is facilitated within interactive workshops and online activities, by lecturers with a clinical background in palliative care and by expert clinicians. Below you will see the Course Leaders who will also provide support throughout the duration of your study on the MDSC161.



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