



MASTER OF NARRATIVE THERAPY AND COMMUNITY WORK

Narrative therapy is a respectful, non-blaming approach to counselling and community work, which centres people as the experts in their own lives. The Master of Narrative Therapy and Community Work is designed for professionals seeking to know more about this approach and aiming to enhance their clinical and practice-research skills.

A collaboration between Australia's leading university, the University of Melbourne, and the international home of narrative therapy, the Dulwich Centre, this one-of-a-kind course provides formal training and a postgraduate specialist qualification for motivated practitioners.

The program is developed and presented by leading international academics and practitioners of narrative therapy and community work. With representatives from Australia, USA, Canada, New Zealand and Greece, the course promotes dissemination of the most innovative approaches to narrative therapy from around the world.

Learning outcomes

The Master of Narrative Therapy and Community Work has been specifically designed to develop participants' practice skills, encourage innovation, and promote progression in relation to practice-research-theory. As a student you will:

- » Gain a deep understanding of specific theories and advanced skills of narrative therapy, particularly in the areas of trauma and recovery.
- » Critically reflect on your own practice and development, enabling you to contribute to change in the lives of individuals, families and communities, sometimes in diverse cultural contexts.
- » Enhance your skills in practice-research and writing for publication.

The program

The course is delivered through a combination of two face-to-face intensive teaching blocks, presented at the Dulwich Centre (Adelaide) across two weeks, supported by flexible online learning. Students also have the flexibility to complete the degree full time across one year (two semesters), or part time across two years (four semesters).

It is a practice-based program designed to spark continual innovation in the field. Students are invited to create their own innovative practice projects by undertaking three core subjects:

- Advanced Narrative Skills Development
- The Art of Narrative Practice
- Narrative Practice and Research Synthesis

For motivated professionals

The course is suitable for social workers, psychologists, community development workers, nurses, teachers, doctors and other health professionals who want to enact meaningful change for their clients, patients and the community as a whole.

The combination of intensive delivery, supported by distance and online learning, means it is accessible to students across Australia and internationally.

Past students have been welcomed from Singapore, Canada, Australia, USA, Hong Kong, Japan, Turkey, India, Spain, Israel, Tanzania, Ireland, Chile, South Africa, Denmark, Mexico, New Zealand, the UK and China. This has included a significant number of Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and First Nations practitioners.

Thanks to the generosity of the Anita Morawetz Trust, a number of scholarships covering part of the tuition fee for this course are available.

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