



ICTU/SIPTU

## Trade Union Studies Certificate Programme

### New Applicants Welcome!

SIPTU College is inviting applications from trade unionists to enrol on the ICTU/SIPTU **Trade Union Studies** Certificate programme offered in partnership with the National College of Ireland. This is a modular programme leading to a Special Purpose Award at Level 6 on the National Framework of Qualifications. It is designed to be completed by attaining 60 credits over 2 academic years, but participants can take modules at their own pace within a 5-year period. If you are a union member in good standing of any ICTU-affiliated union; you have completed your union's shop steward training and you are ready to study in a trade union environment, then this course is for you.

#### The modules

There are 5 core or compulsory modules from which you accumulate 45 credits:

- Return to Learn (5 credits)
- Trade Unions and Collective Bargaining (10 credits)
- Law and the Worker (10 credits)
- Workers in the Economy (10 credits)
- Management of Labour (10 credits)

The remaining 15 credits can be attained by a combination of any 3 of the following:

- Diversity and social inequality (5 credits)
- Labour History (5 credits)
- Modern labour issues (5 credits)
- Organising health & safety at work (5 credits)
- Representing workers (5 credits)
- Work in Irish society (5 credits)

Read more about the modules at [Trade Union Studies at SIPTU College](#)

#### Locations

This programme is normally offered in Dublin, Limerick and Sligo on Mondays, Waterford and Galway on Tuesdays, and Cork on Thursdays at local trade union offices. This is subject to change and depends on sufficient numbers and tutor availability. For the duration of Covid restrictions however, all classes are offered online via Webex. You will therefore need a tablet/laptop/PC or suitable device and a reliable internet connection.

#### Class Times

Classes are weeknights from 6-9pm and some day-time seminars – a full schedule will be published in December.

#### Fees – Special Offer!

Fees for 2021 are reduced to €200 per 10-credit module and €100 for 5 credit modules. Many unions have a scholarship scheme which contributes towards fees or other costs. Check with your local union organiser or Education Officer.

**Start dates** – Week commencing Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021 – exact dates to be confirmed

**Applications close** on the 11<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm – Offers will issue by the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

[Apply Here!](#)