



MCAST

Malta College of Arts, Science & Technology

MQF Introductory Level A

MCAST Award in Vocational Skills

Course Specification

For Academic Year 2019 - 2020

Course Description

The Award in Vocational Skills is a structured 1 year programme of study that helps students with learning disabilities / learning difficulties acquire the skills necessary to gain and maintain employment or to further their education.

During the course, students are required to participate in weekly supervised work placements within the College. In this course students will have the opportunity to experience work in 3 vocational areas, namely Hospitality Studies, Office Skills and also Production and Retail Work. Key skills, Maltese, Maths, English and IT, and life skills subjects also form part of this award.

Programme Learning Outcomes

At the end of the programme the learner will be able to:

1. Have a basic knowledge about the three vocational areas: hospitality, production / retail and office skills.
2. Become familiar with the world of work and related basic responsibilities.
3. Be prepared for independent living through development of key skills and life skills.
4. Function in society and familiarise themselves with the place of work.

Entry Requirements

- Finished Compulsory Education.

Other entry requirements:

- Provision of documents including School Leaving Certificate.
- A recent psychological report (issued no more than 3 years before date of application) and school reports including last Individual Education Plan (IEP).
- Adaptation to both class-based and community-based learning to be ascertained through a 3 day workshop at MCAST, attendance for which is compulsory.
- Commitment to prospective employment.

Applicants are asked to sit for an interview and attend 3-day assessments and workshops.

Approved Programme Structure

Unit Code	Unit Title	ECVETS/ ECTS
CDPKS -A03-1801	Mathematics	3
CDPKS -A03-1803	English	3
CDPKS -A03-1805	Il-Malti	3
CDPKS -A03-1807	ICT	3
CDPKS -A03-1809	Daily Living and Community Skills	3
CDPKS -A03-1811	Personal, Social and Health Education	3
CDCSE-A06-2000	Creative Self-Expression	6
To choose ONE of the below:		
CDP&R-A06-2002	Introduction to Production and Retail	6
CDHSP-A06-2002	Basic Structures of the Hospitality Industry	6
CDOFF-A06-2002	Introduction to Office	6
Total Credits:		30