

# ADVANCE NOTIFICATION

## Postgraduate Diploma / MSSc in Mediation studies and Work-Based Learning

Mediation Northern Ireland in partnership with Queen's University Belfast will soon open registrations for an innovative Masters programme in Mediation Studies and Work-Based Learning.

Based at Queen's University this postgraduate programme is for experienced Mediators wishing to develop critical reflective practice enhancing individual, organisational and institutional capacity.

The course will be taught by experienced and practicing Northern Irish mediators and Work-Based Learning specialists from Queen's University.

The course content will include:

- **An Historical Overview of Mediation**  
This module will have a focus on mediation's development particularly in Northern Ireland as a peace building tool used at each level of conflict (inter-personal, inter-community and regional) and for addressing societal dysfunction.
- **Models of Mediative Intervention for Systemic Change**  
This module will begin with the experience of the participants, exploring the models used in their work and widening to explore other models with a significant focus on the development of systemic interventions models by Mediation Northern Ireland, during the period of violent conflict in Northern Ireland.
- **International Dimensions of Mediation relevant for student Work-Based Learning**  
This module will examine international developments of concepts and models for the modern world, arising from Mediation Northern Ireland's experience. The module will explore the potential contribution of mediation's concepts and models that need to be credible and relevant to local, national and inter-national governing authorities. The systemic theme will continue in an examination of theories and practice on the interaction of these various levels.
- **Work-Based Research Methods.**  
This module will emphasise specific research design supporting the development of Mediation
- **Dissertation**  
A dissertation will be completed by students who wish to qualify with the Masters level qualification.

The course will commence at Queen's University in October 2010 and will be structured in two three day block deliveries per module, especially to facilitate students who may travel to study. These will be on Thursday & Friday daytime and Saturday morning.

Further information is available on [www.mediationnorthernireland.org](http://www.mediationnorthernireland.org) or contact

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