

# WEA Course information sheet 2019-20



<b>Course title:</b> Autism and Communication		<b>Course ID:</b> C3531155
<b>Start date:</b> 04/03/2020	<b>End date:</b> 04/03/2020	<b>Day(s)/time(s):</b> Wed 09:30
<b>Number of sessions:</b> 1	<b>Hours per session:</b> 6	<b>Tutor:</b> Tigger Pritchard
<b>Additional hours:</b>	<b>Online Learning Hours:</b> 0	
<b>Specific funder/partner requirements:</b>		
<b>Awarding body (if any):</b> <b>Title of qualification to be gained:</b>		<b>Level:</b> Level 2
<b>Fee:</b> £22.00 or <b>Free</b> if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) <b>Accreditation Fee</b> (if applicable):		
<b>Venue:</b> Bude Primary Academy, Broad Close Hill, Bude, Cornwall, EX23 8EA		
<b>Theme(s):</b> The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision. <b>Employability</b> – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment <b>Health and Wellbeing</b> – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing <b>Community Engagement</b> – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities <b>Culture</b> – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments  The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:  1. <b>Health and Wellbeing</b> 2. <b>Community Engagement</b>		

**Course Aim**  
Following on from the previous workshop, we will further explore the need for clear and uncluttered communication approaches for individuals on the Autism Spectrum.

**Course Description**  
You will explore and discuss the needs of individuals across the Autism Spectrum, with regards to communication and interaction. Looking at differing resources and approaches from our own communication methods to including visual aids, key signing and electronic communication technology.

**Do I need any particular skills or experience?**

**What will I achieve?**  
**By the end of the course I will be able to:**

1. Recognise the reasons to alter our everyday communication methods.
2. Unclutter ourselves and our environment.
3. Understand communication and how it relates to the Autism brain.
4. Use the basic methods of communication assessment.
5. Find and use appropriate available resources e.g. visual aids, key signing and electronic.

**What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?**

- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning

**What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?**

- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion
- You will have opportunities to discuss your progress with your tutor

**What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?**

- Nothing else is needed

**Pre-course work, reading and information sources**

- No pre reading is required but research on the subject on the internet or in the library may be helpful

**Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)**

- Progress to another WEA course

**Learning with the WEA**

WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for some courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB Tel: 0300 303 3464 Email: [courseenquiries@wea.org.uk](mailto:courseenquiries@wea.org.uk)



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