



## Post Graduate Diploma in Community Development

### NVQ Level 5

#### What is the Cambridge Post Graduate Diploma in Community Development?

Global economic restructuring and the devolution of government services (granting of central government powers to regional or local level) have created significant challenges for communities, particularly those in rural areas. Rural population is declining. Immigration brings new populations with different cultures. Community developers need to think and act in innovative ways.

The Cambridge Post Graduate Diploma in Community Development provides the skills, information, and networks needed to facilitate sustainable and prosperous community change. The program is designed for those seeking a career in community development and practitioners who wish to augment their training.

Leading to a Masters Degree in Community Development through credit transfer, the programme equips learners with skills in local planning, community economic development organizations, cooperative extension services, housing agencies, parks and recreation agencies, tribal programs, and non-profit organizations focusing on community enhancements.

#### The Cambridge (CAM) Post Graduate Diploma in Community Development:

- Has been developed by Cambridge (CAM) in close association with leaders in the field to ensure that it is both relevant and accurate
- Was created with an international audience in mind so that globally accepted best practice can be taught while being sensitive to a local context and environment
- Allows on-demand assessment for all modules, so you can enter when the time is right for you
- Is FULLY PRACTICAL as candidates must connect the classroom and the industry by doing examinations through "real-world" solutions for "real-world" organizations. There is no examination through "memorizing and recalling onto foolscaps".
- Will make you an expert in Community Development at Post Graduate Level.



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### Who can benefit from the Post Graduate Diploma in Community Development?

This course is suitable for those keen on establishing careers in Community Development or those already working in the field of Community Development and would like to be recognized as experts in sustainable community development in the public, private, corporate, not-for-profit and institutional sectors.

Candidates for this course are expected to have a first or second degree or have other qualifications with commensurate and relevant experience in Community Development.

Candidates looking forward to earning Masters Degrees in Community Development can easily get credit transfers to universities of their choice and simply upgrade their Cambridge Post Graduate Diploma in Community Development to a master's degree in a very short time.

### Modules

Code No.	Core Modules	Code No.	Additional set of core modules
CPGD CD 1	Principles of Economic Development and Growth	CPGD CD 11	Functional Management /Principles of Management
CPGD CD 2	Community and Natural Resource Management	CPGD CD 12	Organization Behaviour and change Management
CPGD CD 3	Diversity and Multi-Culturalism in Community Development	CPGD CD 13	Strategic Planning and Management
CPGD CD 4	Community Development Techniques and Technologies	CPGD CD 14	Human Resource Management
CPGD CD 5	Impact Analysis in Community Development	CPGD CD 15	Financial Management
CPGD CD 6	Fundraising and Resource Mobilization	CPGD CD 16	Information systems for Non Governmental Organization
CPGD CD 7	Regional Development and Sustainability	CPGD CD 17	Research Methods
CPGD CD 8	Management of Community based projects		<b>Optional set of modules (Choose one only)</b>
CPGD CD 9	Environmental, Social and Economic Justice	CPGD CD 18	Urban Design & Development
CPGD CD 10	Capacity Building, Training and Development	CPGD CD 19	Proposal Formulation and Grant writing
		CPGD CD 20	Gender Issues and Development
		CPGD CD 21	Sustainable Human development and Poverty Reduction Initiative
		CPGD CD 22	Introduction to Native Community Development
	<b>Final Research Project</b>		

### **Course duration**

- Fast-track candidates would take 12 months on coursework.
- The maximum course duration is 24 months with written extension permission from Cambridge (CAM)

### **Examinations / Assessment / Certification**

- Assessment is through work-based assignments hence exams are fully practical.
- The *Core Set* of modules requires production of 2,000 to 3,000 word projects for each module at end of each month and all the *core set* of modules must be done
- The *Additional Core Set of modules* requires production of 3,000 to 4,000 word projects for each module at end of each month and all the *additional core set of modules* must be done
- *One Optional Module MUST be taken/selected* and a 2,000 to 3,000 word project be produced for assessment.
- Local moderation will be done through Cambridge, CAM's and QAC's certified professional
- Final assessment will be done by Cambridge, CAM (UK)
- Transcripts will be awarded for all attempted modules directly from Cambridge, CAM (UK)
- A Post Graduate Diploma certificate will be awarded to candidates who complete all modules successfully as above.

### **Exemptions and credit awards**

There are candidates who may have done or have accredited work place experience in a given set of modules. Credits may be awarded hence exemptions in these modules. These can be used to offset any Core or additional set of modules.

### **Professional Recognition**

The Cambridge Post Graduate Diploma in Community Development at Professional Level (NVQ L5) is recognized worldwide and graduates immediately get admission as professional members of Cambridge Association of Managers and Oxford Association of Management.

### **Credit Transfers to Masters Degree**

Credit Transfers to Masters Degree Levels varies from university to university. However, this being a Cambridge qualification, such upgrades are generally GUARANTEED in most universities as long as you meet their formal qualifications index.

Most (especially top universities) would always require additional subjects/modules plus GMAT/GRE, TOEFL/IELTS, Computer Literacy evidence and an oral interview to ascertain interpersonal skills in addition to the diploma qualification. A lot of consideration is given to those with work place experience, other qualifications or other exceptional achievement. You will be expected to travel overseas unless it is a local university providing the recognition hence the credit transfers.

Some universities accept a 20,000 word project from those who complete the diplomas at NVQL5 respectively, for credit transfers to masters' degrees.

It is a requirement that candidates meet formal admission procedures of the universities in order to achieve the credit transfers. So, candidates must register directly with the universities for the credit transfers. It is also important to note that the final award of the masters' degree is at the discretion of the awarding university

**Learning Support:** You will receive all learning materials from your study centre.