



# **Developmental Disabilities Counsellor Program**

*Application Form - July 2009*



In Partnership with Kerry's Place Autism Services, Montage Support Services & New Leaf: Living and Learning Together Inc.

## **Who should apply?**

Open to High School Graduates, minimum 18 years of age. Will be of particular interest to students seeking both hands-on work experience and education in the social services sector. We would consider applications from those who are interested in learning skills to make a positive difference for people with developmental disabilities.

## **How to apply?**

Submit the application along with a resume and cover letter. Also, please submit three (3) professional references and other documents that will support your acceptance into this program.

## **Tuition Fee:**

\$1500 – this fee covers the cost of all courses/topic areas (including certifications) and the cost of all required workbooks.

## **Extended Application Deadline:**

June 10, 2009

## **Student Selection Process:**

1. All of the applications will be screened.
2. Qualified applicants will be called for a telephone screening. (Applicants should have knowledge about the DDC Program)
3. An interview will be set up for those who successfully pass the telephone screening.
4. An interview will be conducted. The results of your interview will be corresponded to you by mail.

*On successful completion of all program components, students will receive an interview for a part-time staff position at one of the partnering agencies. (Please note that employment at a partnering agency is not guaranteed)*

## **Contact Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone:(Home) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

(Cell) \_\_\_\_\_



Why are you interested in participating in this program?

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Please tell us about any volunteer experience you may have. Highlight any volunteer experiences, or skills you have acquired that you feel have prepared you for employment in this field.

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Please describe your past education, include your school as well as training outside of school that you may have completed.

Name of School/Training	Country	Date (start ~ end)	Level Completed
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Tell us about any courses that may have equipped you for employment in this field.

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List your most recent Employment History.

Place of Employment	Country	Date (start ~ end)	Position – briefly describe
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Tell us about any additional skills you have acquired through employment that you believe support your ability to work in this field.

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Please feel free to provide any further information that you feel would be valuable for the selection process.

By signing below I am indicating that all information provided in this application is true. I understand that providing false information will result in elimination from the selection process or expulsion from the program.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- Please return your completed application form along with your cover letter, resume, and letters of recommendation

And

- Please complete the questionnaire on the next page and return to:

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Manager, Learning & Development  
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Reena  
Toby and Henry Battle Developmental Centre  
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# Reference Consent Form

## Please read the following information before you fill out this form

**1. Please use professional References**

Please give us your supervisor at your paid job, volunteer or academic training as your references.

**Please do not use:** friend, co-worker, relatives, lawyer (unless you worked for them) and counselor (unless you worked for them) as your references.

**2. Please provide their work place phone number, e-mail and fax number.**

**3. Please inform your references that they may be contacted** (reference check will be done after acceptance to the program)

This will confirm that I, \_\_\_\_\_ (**PLEASE PRINT**)  
have provided Reena with the following references. I give my consent to Reena to  
contact them in regards to a professional reference on my behalf.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Org: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Org: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SIGNATURE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE**

## Questionnaire for DDC (Developmental Disabilities Counsellor) Program

Thank you in advance for answering this questionnaire. Your answers will help us to improve the marketing of the DDC program. (Please note: **the answers you provide on this questionnaire have no effect on your application.**) Please read carefully and complete the following questions and return this questionnaire along with your application form.

**1. Please tell us how you found out about the DDC Program.** (Please check only one that apply)

- Poster/ Flyer (Where did you see it? : \_\_\_\_\_)
- Advertisement in Newspaper/ Magazine (Name of the publication : \_\_\_\_\_)
- Internet Search (In which website did you see Reena's ad or link? : \_\_\_\_\_)
- Resource Centre (Name of the centre: \_\_\_\_\_)
- My friend/ family member told me → Is the person a past DDC student? (Yes/ No)  
If "No", please tell us how the person discover the program: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Others: \_\_\_\_\_)

**Please rate the areas below in a scale of 7 (most attractive) to 1 (least attractive).**

▪ Full-time Study (9am – 5pm)	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Study Area (25 topics)	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Paid Placement	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Guaranteed Job Interview	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Employment rate after graduation (90%)	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Tuition (\$1,500)	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Duration (4 months)	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Program Frequency (January and July)	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Travel Time to the DDC Program	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Reena	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Partnership with George Brown College	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Partnership with 3 other agencies	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
▪ Humber College Recognition	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

**3. Please tell us about yourself** (Please check only one that apply for each question)

Please indicate your gender     Female     Male

Please indicate your current age.

18~24     25~34     35~44     45~54     55~64     Over 65

Please indicate approximately how long you have lived in Canada.

0~2 (years)     3~5     6~9     Over 10     Since Birth

Please tell us which category best describes your highest academic background.

High School Graduate or equivalent     College Graduate     University Graduate  
 Post-University Graduate     Others: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you very much for your cooperation!!**