

INTRODUCING

Youthpass

TO YOUTH WORK PRACTICE

Training program for Youth Work agencies wishing to adopt the European Youthpass strategy in their Youth Work practice

ABOUT YOUTHPASS

Youthpass is a Europe-wide strategy for recognition of non-formal learning that takes place within the Youth Work context. It consists of a defined process of assisted and ongoing self-reflection of young people within youth programs (the Youthpass process) and a four-page Youthpass certificate. Youthpass aims to articulate the skills, knowledge and attitudes developed by young people as a result of their participation in youth work and to increase the recognition of youth work outcomes in general.

Youthpass is also an evidence-base for practitioners and decision-makers and a clear advantage for young people in entering the labour market. It has been successfully used in Europe since 2007 by more than 18,000 organisations and by a number of youth services in Victoria with a growing number of organisations showing interest.

WHO IS THE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR?



The training program is designed for the staff of organisations, such as local government youth services and not-for-profit organisations that are working within the Youth Work framework and principles, who are interested in using the Youthpass strategy in their Youth Work practice. Completion of this training program enables the participant to start implementing Youthpass in their youth programs/projects.

The cost of the training is \$450 per person + GST which includes two days of face to face training, catering, training materials and follow-up mentoring and support in implementing Youthpass in your organisation.

OBJECTIVES OF THE TRAINING

- 1 to explore and reflect on participants experience of learning
- 2 to introduce and review the concepts of non-formal and self-directed learning
- 3 to explore and review the connection between Youth Work and non-formal learning
- 4 to identify different methods for recognising and documenting learning using the Youthpass process
- 5 to discover and experience different methods for reflection of learning
- 6 to explore practical methods and tools for delivering Youthpass

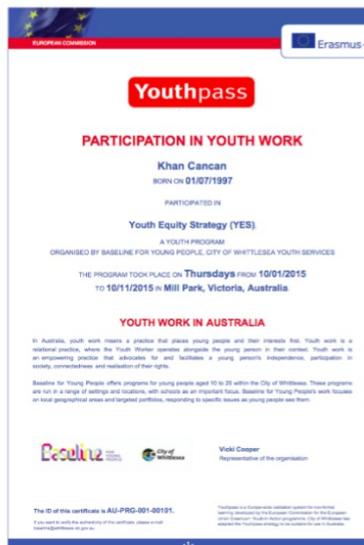
OUTLINE OF THE TRAINING PROGRAM

| Time | Day 1 | Day 2 |
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| 09:00 | <p>Introduction to the topic and program</p> <p>Getting to know each other and our connection to learning</p> <p>Me and my learning 1: How I learn?</p> <p>Self-directed learning: where am I in self-directed learning?</p> <p>Reflection: what does that mean for our work?</p> | <p>Methods and tools 1. Ways to reflect.</p> <p>Reflection: What does this mean to our work?</p> |
| 11:00 | BREAK | BREAK |
| | <p>Defining learning to learn & non-formal learning</p> <p>Creating a learning environment</p> <p>Reflection: what does that mean for our work?</p> | <p>Methods and tools 2. Ways to reflect.</p> <p>Groupwork: planning the implementation of Youthpass in my youth program</p> |
| 13:15 | LUNCH | LUNCH |
| 13:45 | <p>Introduction to Youthpass process</p> <p>Key Competences for Lifelong Learning and how they fit in youth programs</p> <p>Reflection: what does that mean for our work?</p> | <p>Documenting learning outcomes. Key Competences</p> <p>Writing Youthpass certificates: the process of self-assessment</p> <p>Reflection: what does this mean for our work?</p> <p>Evaluation.</p> |
| 16:15 | END | END |

YOUTHPASS IN AUSTRALIA



"I have never asked those questions before like what did you learn, but it really showed me how much young people learn in a youth work program. That's really important for us. It also impacts on how you deliver a program understanding that young people are learning important life skills." (a youth worker from Melbourne about implementing Youthpass)



"The process made me review my program objectives and make sure I was on track."

"It actually gave me a different lens on what we do."

"It really added weight to the program and showing what it is we actually achieve with young people."
(local government youth workers from Melbourne)

WHERE AND WHEN?

The training session will take place on 8 and 15 of February 2017
in Dandenong Civic Centre (225 Lonsdale St Dandenong)

and will be delivered by Victoria University in partnership with the
City of Whittlesea Youth Services.

Participants are expected to attend both days of the training.

To register for the training, please visit:
<http://www.youthpassaustralia.org>

For more information about the training and Youthpass in Australia,
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<http://youthpassaustralia.org>



VU reserves the right to postpone or cancel the training and change the venue and days of the training, subject to registration numbers