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Objectives

• To develop an On-line Capacity Building Program for Drug Reduction in the Caribbean by using new technologies

• To develop a sustainable training network in Drug Reduction for the Caribbean

• To create a virtual environment capable of disseminating knowledge at low cost and at a regional level

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**Beneficiaries**

- Government officials (national drug agencies, police and military personnel, social workers, managers)
- Health sector professionals (doctors, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, hospital administrators, first aid center personnel)
- Universities, training institutions, and students (Schools of Medicine, Social Work, Nursing, students in general)
- Researchers (data bases, research projects)
- NGOs (managers, staff, volunteers)

**Chronology**

**Needs Assessment**

- NCDAs
- Professionals (Health Sector)
- NGOs
- Universities and Teachers

More than 50 Training Needs detected
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Chronology

Year 2003
Selection of a University (UWI)
MOU with UWI (UWIDEC)
Selection of Online Open Software
Selection of Teachers and Coordinators

Year 2006
Description of Courses

From about: 50 Training Needs
TO 26 Courses

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**Chronology**

- **Year 2005**
  - Training of Content Providers
    - Jamaica & Trinidad
  - Content Development
  - Online Environment Development
  - Institutional Agreements (fees, registration, marketing...)
  - Submission to the Board of Undergraduate Studies (BUS)

**Online Environment**

- Certificate Web Site
  - Moodle with UWIDECE
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Certificate Program

Year 2005

Year 2006

Year 2007

Academic Year 2007/2008

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What next…?

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When? September 2007

What? 10 courses / 3 credits each

How much? US$300 per course

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**Certificate Program**

**SEMESTER I**
- Fundamental Concepts of Substance Abuse
- Overview of Addiction Intervention
- Design, Development and Evaluation of Substance Abuse Programs

**SEMESTER II**
- Drug Use in the Sociocultural Context of the Caribbean
- Adolescents and Drugs
- HIV and Substance Abuse
  - Treatment and Rehabilitation Modalities

**SUMMER SEMESTER**
- Introduction to Counselling Skills: Individual, Group and Family
- Designing Interventions for Behaviour Change – Theory and Practice
- Gender Specific Approaches to Substance Abuse Management

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**What Next?**

1. 1st. Degree in 2008/2009?

2. Masters…..?

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