# Counselling Service Maynooth University



# WELLBEING & MENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOPS

**Semester Two 2024-2025** 

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# WELLBEING & MENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOPS

Each semester the Counselling Service offers a series of Wellbeing & Mental Health Workshops for students on a variety of topics.



All Workshops can be found online by scanning the QR code:



# **ANXIETY SERIES**

This series offers tips on how to cope with anxiety, how to identify triggers, and how to manage your anxiety using the theory and practice of Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT).



| WORKSHOP                              | DESCRIPTION  | DATE                                 |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Improve Your<br>Mood                  | Looking at ways to tackle anxiety & low mood via CBT                                       | Weds March<br>26th @ 12-1pm          |
| What to do<br>when 'Panic'<br>attacks | Understanding the symptoms of a panic attack & exploring strategies of managing the impact | Weds April<br>30th @ 3.30-<br>4.30pm |
| Less Stress,<br>More Success          | Top tips for managing exam anxiety   | Weds April<br>30th @ 12-1pm          |

All Anxiety workshops take place in An Tobar, Ground Floor, Student Services Centre

# STRETCH & RELAX YOGA

Free 10 week Yoga series open to all levels. Learn to relax, reduce stress and anxiety, improve focus and feel happier with yoga.



## WHEN:

Tuesdays @ 12-1pm

Starting: February 4th Ending: April 15th

\*\*No class March 19th due to study week

## WHERE:

An Tobar; Ground Floor, Student Services Centre

Drop in anytime for a taster class, a one-off session, **or** complete 4 sessions during the semester and receive a free gift!

Find out more about this class online;

https://bit.ly/3QEWt8h

# DEVELOPING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

Navigating dating and relationships in 2025. What works? What doesn't work? What else?

This workshop aims to facilitate an open discussion about expectations of relationships in 2025 in a safe and respectful space. We will share an open dialogue to consider what works; what does not work; and the importance of understanding consent.



## WHEN:

Thursday February 13th @ 3.15pm

#### WHERE:

An Tobar; Ground Floor, Student Services Centre

# ZEN ZONE: CRUSH STRESS, BOOST SUCCESS



Walk away from this class with three different, scientifically proven, stress busting exercises that you will feel the benefits from.

## WHEN:

Wednesday February 26th @ 3.30-4.40pm

# WHERE:

An Tobar; Ground Floor, Student Services Centre

# MIEA MINDFULNESS COURSE

Mindfulness Institute for Emerging Adults' Mindfulness Course developed at Duke University, USA (formerly known as Koru)

Learn mindfulness & meditation in this evidence-based 4 week curriculum designed specifically for college students. You will learn and practice exercises and meditations that will help manage stress, and support self-care and regulation.



#### WHEN:

Tuesdays @ 3-4.15pm

Starting: March 4th Ending: April 1st

## **LOCATION:**

An Tobar; Ground Floor, Student Services Centre

## KORU MINDFULNESS RETREAT

A half day silent, mindfulness retreat for students who wish to try a more intense mindfulness experience.

Tuesday May 6th @ 3.00-4.30pm

# THE BODY PROJECT

The Body Project is a group-based intervention that is designed to challenge the appearance ideals prevalent in society today.

It provides a forum for students to confront unrealistic appearance ideals and develop healthy body image and self-esteem.

The programme runs for one hour a week over 4 weeks.

Max 10 students.

See our website for relevant dates:
<a href="https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/campus-life/student-wellbeing-support/counselling/workshops">https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/campus-life/student-wellbeing-support/counselling/workshops</a>



If you would like to join us for the next group, or to learn more, then please email <a href="mailto:barbara.mahon@mu.ie">barbara.mahon@mu.ie</a> putting BODY PROJECT in the subject line.

# **CHEW & CHAT**

If you would like to meet your fellow students, make new friends, or simply avail of free tea/coffee and biscuits, we would love to see you at our weekly 'Chew & Chat'!



# WHEN:

Mondays @ 3-4pm

Starts: Monday February 10th

Ends: Monday April 28th

# WHERE:

An Tobar; Ground Floor, Student Services Centre

# OTHER SUPPORTS

#### **ONE-TO-ONE COUNSELLING SESSIONS**

A counselling appointment can be booked by calling 01 708 3554 sending a call back request via this link: <a href="https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/node/394198">https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/node/394198</a> by scanning this QR code: Sessions are 50 minutes in duration and must be booked in advance. Service is strictly confidential.



#### DROP-IN PHONE SERVICE

Daily 'drop-in' phone service, Monday to Friday during term-time. 20 drop-in appointments available each week. These are pre-booked phone appointments, offered on a first come, first served basis. Drop-ins are 30 minutes in duration. To book a drop-in, please contact the Service on 01 708 3554



#### **TOGETHERALL**

An online mental health and wellbeing peer support community that gives access to a safe, anonymous, and professionally moderated community where people can share experiences and support each other.



#### **TEXT MU to 50808**

50808 is a free 24/7 text service, providing everything from a calming chat to immediate support for people going through a mental health or emotional crisis - big or small. To get text support at any time with a trained volunteer simply Text MU to 50808.

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#### **SPEAKOUT**

Speak Out is an online anonymous reporting tool available to staff and students to disclose incidents of bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, discrimination, hate crime, coercive behaviour/control, stalking, assault, sexual harassment, sexual assault, and rape.



#### **SAFE & SOUND PROTOCOL (SSP)**

SSP is an integrated listening system providing auditory intervention designed to reduce stress, improve brain function, and regulate your nervous system, your body and your mind. You can avail of this resource by linking in with a counsellor on the Team. For more information check out our SSP webpage:



https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/campus-life/student-wellbeing-support/counselling/safe-sound-protocol-ssp

Please see our website for more information: https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/campuslife/student-wellbeing-support/counselling



# **CONTACT US**

## PHONE RECEPTION

01-708 3554

Monday - Friday: 09.00-13.00/14.00-17.00

# **REQUEST A CALL BACK**



SCAN ME

# **DROP-INTO RECEPTION**

Top Floor, Student Services Centre, North
Campus

The Student Counselling Service is a professional, confidential counselling service provided to all registered students of Maynooth University.

Counselling provides the opportunity for any student to discuss in private any concerns which may be impacting on academic performance or personal health and well-being.

Counselling is generally offered on a one to one basis, is short-term in nature, strictly confidential and provided free of charge.

Self-referral to the Service is welcomed and encouraged.