# We look forward to seeing you!

Study in Fulda – in the centre of Germany



Central campus square

Fulda's bar and pub scene

### **International Office**Fulda University of Applied Sciences



## International Course in Social Work

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#### **Fulda University**

- 8 academic departments and over 60 study programmes
- 170 professors and 520 academic and support staff
- 9,300 students
- approx. 1,530 international students

#### The city of Fulda

- Historic city founded in 744 with picturesque old town
- Only 50 minutes by train from Frankfurt
- A high quality of life, good, affordable accommodation and an ideal study environment

#### Costs

- → <u>Tuition fees:</u> no tuition fees for exchange students from partner universities of Fulda University and from universities which would like to enter into a mutual exchange partnership with Fulda University
- → Students from other universities should contact the International Office for information about fees
- <u>Enrolment fees:</u> approx. €300 per semester including the semester ticket for public transportation in and around Fulda
- <u>Cost of living:</u> €750—€850 per month, including rent, health insurance (€110 per month), depending on living standard
- <u>Costs for study visits</u> to Berlin must be covered by the students
  (approx. €170)

#### Five reasons to study at Fulda University

- △ 1. Strong international focus: three international Bachelor's
  programmes, five international Master's programmes, and
  a variety of short-term programmes, e.g. the Summer and
  Winter University
- 2. Application orientation: strong links to business and industry and excellent job opportunities for graduates on the German and global labour markets
- 3. Strong research focus: Fulda University is the first university of applied sciences in Germany authorised to award doctoral degrees.
- △ 4. Campus university: everything is within easy reach, students soon find their bearings and it's easy to make friends and contact staff

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- > 5. Central location: Conveniently located in the heart of Germany, it is just 50 minutes from Frankfurt's international airport and three hours from Munich and Berlin. With a population of 68,000, Fulda is a peaceful and safe town and a great starting point for exploring the rest of Germany and Europe.



Social Work with international perspectives



Group work in intercultural teams

"I often reflect on my experiences in Fulda and would highly recommend the program to anyone with interest in Social Work or related fields."

Jonah, USA, participant 2018



Practical approach through internships

#### Content

The International Course in Social Work is designed for international and regular Fulda students enrolled in a Bachelor's programme in Social Work or comparable Bachelor's programmes. The course is especially tailored to students who do not (yet) speak German. The language of instruction is English.

#### Programme structure

The programme comprises 3 modules with a total workload of 30 ECTS credit points:

- <u>A:</u> Social Work in an Intercultural Context and Fundamentals of Intercultural Competence consists of three units (15 ECTS):
- Understanding the policy, politics, and structure of Europe and the EU
- Subject specific aspects of social inequality and social work
- Intercultural skills

≥ B: Internship, Good Practice and Project Work (10 ECTS):

- Students will participate in field work in institutions that deal with social work mostly in an intercultural context.
   International students are assisted by German-speaking students from Fulda.
- Visits to social work institutions: for students to become familiar with good practice

Project activity: facilitating and supporting sustainable development in social work; small scale research projects on ethnic minorities, social inequality, unemployment, or gender

∠ C: German as a Foreign Language (5 ECTS):

• German as a Foreign Language is a supplementary module for students without knowledge of German.

Degree: Certificate of participation (not a university degree)

Application deadline: 1 June

#### Timetable – International Course in Social Work

September	October	November	December
Intercultural Competences (Orientation Week)			
Visiting Social Work Organizations			
Internship, Good Practice and Project Work ☐ 10 ECTS			
	Understanding the Policy, Politics and Structure of Europe and the EU $^{oxtimes}$ 5 ECTS		
	Fundamentals of Intercultural Competences ≥ 5 ECTS		
	Subject-Specific Aspects of Social Inequality and Social Work $^{\struty}$ 5 ECTS		
		Berlin Excursion	
		German as a Foreign Languange $^{\searrow}$ 5 ECTS	

#### Admission requirements

- ☑ Good English language skills. The internship is supported by an English-speaking adviser but students need to be aware that German is the usual language of communication with the clients of social work at most of the internship institutions.
- Students should have completed their first year (or first block
  of studies) in a Bachelor's programme in Social Work or a
  comparable programme.

### Special offers for international students

- → Orientation Week prior to the start of the course, including a pick-up service at Fulda train station
- △ Accommodation service for all students from abroad
- Academic and non-academic guidance and counselling, as well as assistance with administrative matters
- Intercultural training