



Study in Finland



UNIVERSITY OF
APPLIED SCIENCES

YOUNG PEOPLE AND SOCIAL INCLUSION, 30 ECTS

The main focuses of the course will be on methods for empowerment and the topics of social inclusion and early intervention. Active citizenship and equality are other areas of focus during the programme.

Study period

23rd of February 2015 – 2nd of June 2015
at Humak Nurmijärvi Campus

CONTENT

ENGLISH (Professional English), 3 ECTS

Objectives:

- Students are able to express themselves fluently in professional and other language use situations within the context of work with and for young people as well as civic activity and NGOs
- are able to write coherent texts clearly and fluently, using appropriate style (including in professional texts)
- understand the main ideas in texts written on general subjects and those related to their own special field
- are able to use linguistic structures broadly
- understand and are able to use general vocabulary and special terminology of their field appropriately

Contents:

- Terminology and texts related to the field of civic activities and NGO and youth work
- Oral and written language skills
- Training, job seeking and work, work environment and society, networking
- Various written assignments, such as messages, reports, summaries/abstracts and documents related to job seeking (CV and job application)

Learning environments:

Contact instruction, exam

INTRODUCTION TO INTERCULTURAL INTERACTION, 5 ECTS

Objectives:

- Students are familiar with the concept of culture and its diverse manifestations, and with Finnish minority cultures
- understand the influence of culture on their own and on other people's behaviour
- are familiar with the principles and practices of multicultural work
- are able to understand difference and encounter individuals and groups representing different cultures

Contents:

- Global ethics and racism
- Language, nationality and identity
- Immigrants and other minorities
- Multicultural work, encountering difference

Learning environments:

contact instruction + essays

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PROJECT MANAGEMENT, 2 ECTS

Objectives:

- Students understand the principles and practices of project work and are capable of planning their own small scale development project

Contents:

- Projects and their financing
- Project implementation and evaluation

Learning environments:

Contact instruction, exam

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT, 10 ECTS

Objectives:

- Students acquire competences, both in theory and practice, for working with and for young people and promoting social inclusion, active citizenship and equality
- learn to evaluate the role of civil society and their own role as promoters of active citizenship and equality
- learn to use different methods for youth empowerment and early intervention
- learn to evaluate the effectiveness of the methods from different viewpoints (sociology, psychology, educational science, social policy, social pedagogy)
- are introduced to the European structures and legislation related to young people, inclusion and equality

Contents:

- Finnish and European social welfare systems and legislation
- Theories and practices of preventive youth work
- Juvenile justice and mediation
- Methodologies and practices of youth empowerment and early intervention
- Active citizenship and youth participation
- Diversity and equality, theories and practices
- The role of NGOs and other civil society actors in youth empowerment

Learning environments:

Contact instruction, group work, study visits

PARTICIPATORY PROJECT, 10 ECTS

Objectives:

- Students strengthen their knowledge of the field in real working life
- strengthen their professional skills required in work done with and for young people in communities
- learn to work within professional networks
- learn to communicate and cooperate with people from different cultural and social backgrounds
- understand the principles of project work and its development
- understand the significance of interactive communication as part of project implementation

Contents:

- Participatory planning, implementation and evaluation of projects
- Interactive communication
- Target and stakeholder analyses
- Participatory development of project work

Learning environments:

Project learning, contact instruction, practical training, report

PREREQUISITES

Previous studies in the field of youth and community work, NGO's and civic activity, social work or education are recommended

- A good command in English language, both spoken and written is required since studying language is English
- Good tolerance for multicultural studying environment and diverse student group, part of the studies will be integrated with Finnish students.
- Good cooperation and communication skills

OTHER INFORMATION

- Student accommodation is available at the campus for 140€/month in a shared room with the kitchen facilities
- Student priced meals are offered on campus cafeteria
- According to the students' choice, the working life development project can take place in Helsinki, to which students will have to pay their own transport from the campus, circa 100-140 euros.



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