



International Week
Focus: ‚Social Intervention Research‘
May 6 to 10, 2019

Recipients

- International Offices of the Partner Universities
- Contact Persons in the respective Social Science Faculty
- Institutions active in Social Intervention Research

Call/ Invitation

We cordially invite lecturers from our partner universities as well as researchers with a focus on social intervention research to participate in the 21st International Week of the Health and Social Work Department at Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences. We aim to discuss research findings and research methodology in the field of applied social sciences with students and colleagues, share approaches of explorative and research-based learning and promote networking and academic co-operation.

Frankfurt UAS is a research-oriented university in the field of applied social sciences and Social Work. It was granted the right to award doctorates in January 2017, and inaugurated a Competence Centre for ‚Social Intervention Research‘ in June 2018, tying together research activities in the field of Social Work.

Our notion of Social Interventions includes political, legal, economic as well as psycho-social and pedagogical interventions in a multi-level perspective and complex social structures. It is interdisciplinary and intersectional in nature. Three areas of research are in the focus of interest of the Centre for Social Intervention Research: Research on institutions of social welfare and Social Work; researching interactions between professionals and users of social services, and profession and habitus research.

The International Week will take place from May 6 to 10, 2019 at the Department of Health and Social Work, Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences, Nibelungenplatz 1, 60318 Frankfurt.

The main working language is English.

The funding can be covered by Erasmus-Teacher-Mobility. For other participants from research degree programs or institutes on Social Intervention Research limited resources are available on request.

Please send a short email of interest before January 15, 2019 to international@fb4.fra-uas.de, outlining your area of research, your methodological approach and your interest in ‚Social Intervention Research‘.

If you have further questions or need additional support, please let us know:

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Information for the Erasmus Mobility Agreement

Overall Objectives of the mobility

- Discuss research findings and research methodology in classes of the Social Work degree programs
- Present “Current research projects in Social Work” as part of the Master: „Research in Social Work”
- Participate in research workshops at the Methods Laboratory of the Competence Centre for Social Intervention Research
- Engage in an exchange on applied social research with students and colleagues
- Discuss approaches of explorative and research-based learning and share ways and forms of integrating research into teaching and training
- Promote networking and academic co-operation in international contexts and meet cooperation partners and Social Work professionals

Added Value

For the institutions involved

- Promoting exchanges of students, lecturers, researchers and practitioners
- Establishing academic cooperation and promoting joint projects
- Discussing innovative and explorative learning settings
- Share findings in the field of Applied Social Research, and establish institutions for social intervention research

For the members of staff:

- Presenting own research activities and findings in a class-room-setting
- Networking and academic exchange with students, lecturers, researchers and practitioners
- Initiating cooperation and joint activities (publications, conferences or research proposals)

Content of the teaching program:

- Seminar attendance: Methodologies and findings in social intervention research (BA)
- Lecture on “Current research projects in Social Work” (MA „Research in Social Work”)
- Participation in methodology workshop at the Centre for Social Intervention Research
- Representing the partner university in the preparation seminar ‘Social Work: transnational’

Detailed program will be sent to participants in March 2019

Expected Outcomes and Impacts:

- Knowledge and understanding of social problems and the respective research context
- Discussing and developing innovative approaches to social intervention research
- Preparing and implementing joint research activities
- Establishing an internationally oriented research platform ‚Social Intervention Research’
- Increasing the visibility of universities of applied sciences as sites for applied social research and for organizing the theory-practice-transfer