

Study Program

Social Work in Theory and Practice with a focus on creative, collaborative and community-based approaches using nature, arts and media

Katholische Stiftungshochschule München KSH



We offer you the opportunity to **study with us in English** in summer term 2021– from March 10th, 2021 till July 16th, 2021 – gaining an in-depth knowledge of social work practices in Germany with a focus on outdoor education, creative arts and community based methods.

You will study with fellow students from Germany and all over Europe who have a shared interest in the development of Social Work. You will meet lecturers with various professional backgrounds, such as social work, pedagogy, psychology, and arts education.



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The KSH campus is located within a landmarked monastery run by the Salesian order. There are around 550 students within an inspiring surrounding. There is active student life with students well connected to each other profiting from a personal contact to the professors as well as staff members – best condition for becoming local.



The town Benediktbeuern is the place you will be living in for four months right next to the Bavarian Alps – a region that provides best opportunities for sports and cultural activities. The town of Benediktbeuern is 45 km South of Munich, the capital of Bavaria. An easy train ride from one hour to experience a vibrant city with an international atmosphere and various cultural events. Exchange students will also profit from all services offered at the KSH campus in Munich.



Course Description

Social Work in Theory and Practice with a focus on creative, 30 ECTS collaborative and community-based approaches using nature, arts and media

Module 1: Social Welfare and Social Work in Theory and Practice

10 ECTS

This module gives an overview of welfare systems and different fields of social work practice. Students acquire knowledge of selected practical fields of social work and relevant theories and approaches.

- Social Welfare and Family Policy A Swedish and German Perspective
- Theory and Practice in an International Context
- Social Work and Social Care in Germany –an Introduction to Selected Fields of Practice
- Systemic Thinking and Approach

Module 2: Access to individuals, groups and communities in research and 10 ECTS practice

In order to reach and understand people in their personal, social, economical and ecological environment, creative approaches that do not rely solely on language are helpful. In this module, sudents will be introduced to ethnographic research perspectives and familiarised with creative practice methods with groups and communities.

- Qualitative research: ethnographic approach
- Creative Facilitation: Using photography to facilitate workshops with vulnerable groups
- Community Music

Module 3: Nature-Art-Media-Workshop

10 ECTS

This modul is a Learning Lab as a place and method of research-based learning, where students develop projects relevant to practice. Both teaching and practice partners benefit from "learning in dialogue" between students, teachers, those affected, subject experts and representatives of institutions. The dialogue is oriented towards the requirements of the practical fields.



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Admission criteria

To be admitted to the programme:

- your home university must be a partner university of the KSH
- your English language skills are at least level B1
- ➤ German language skills are an asset and we recommend at least level A1. However, it is not a pre condition

Application

First you need to be nominated by your university. After nomination you will be contacted by us with all further details.

Time schedule

Mobility Period: 10 March— 16 July 2021

Welcome Week: 10 March – 14 March 2021
 Lecture time: 15 March – 16 July 2021

How to travel to KSH Campus Benediktbeuern

We recommend to download the App "DB Navigator", it shows you all possible connections available.

- By airplane: after arriving at the airport "Franz Joseph Strauss" take the S-Bahn S8 to Munich Central Station (= Hauptbahnhof, travelling time app. 45 min), then take the regional train (= RB, travelling time app. 1 hour) to the train station Benediktbeuern (final destination: Kochel). After a 10 min walk you reach the campus. Attention: The last S-Bahn leaves from the airport at 22:31pm. The first S-Bahn in the morning leaves at 04:33am.
- By bus: after arriving at the ZOB Munich (= central bus station, the train station next to it is called Hackerbrücke) take a S-Bahn to the train station Tutzing (\$6, 45min) or the train station München-Pasing (\$3, 8min), then change to the regional train (RB) to Benediktbeuern (final destination: Kochel). After a 10 min walk you reach the campus. Attention: the last S-Bahn leaves from the ZOB at 23:23pm. The first S-Bahn in the morning leaves there at 04:33am.
- By train: after arriving at the Munich Central Station (Hauptbahnhof), take the regional train (= RB, travelling time app. 1 hour) to the train station Benediktbeuern (final destination: Kochel).
 After a 10 min walk you reach the campus. Attention: The last regional train leaves from the Munich Central Station at 23:32pm. The first regional train in the morning leaves there at 04:53am.
- In all three options, if you take a regional train after 20:30pm, you must change trains at the station Tutzing and take the next regional train directed to Kochel.

Contact

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