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Lifelong Learning and Student Centred Learning

a European Master in Social Work
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Overview

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- What makes this Master attractive?
- Studying in a multicultural and multilingual environment
- Challenges in cooperation
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Introduction of the EMSW



See leaflet



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The programme of the European Master in Social Work

1st semester in Groningen (Netherlands)
and Odense (Denmark):

- Comparative Social Policy in Europe
- English Language & Intercultural Communication in Social Work
- Project Management
- Distance Learning



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In the **2nd and 3rd semesters**: a choice of
2 elective programmes each semester in a
different country:

•**Freiburg (Germany)**

Intercultural Social Work
Gerontology/the elderly

•**Vilnius (Lithuania)**

Social Work and Human Rights
Globalization, Europeanization and Social Policy

•**Groningen (The Netherlands)**

Psychosocial Rehabilitation
Labour and Social Inclusion

•**Odense (Denmark)**

European Knowledge Developments
in Social Work - deepening module
Youth Care

•**Málaga (Spain)**

Community intervention in Social Work
Social Law and Social Protection

•**Gabrovo (Bulgaria)**

European Labour Market Policies
Social Dynamics in an Enlarging Europe

4th semester: Thesis



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What makes this Master attractive?

Really European Master:
Not about Europe but in Europe

For working students

Bringing together their experiences

Doing research in their own institutions

Teachers are cooperating in international teams



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Working students



Blended learning
and
visiting 4 – 6 cities 1 week



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Working students



Practical experience
(student-centered learning)



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Working students



Research in own practice
(student centered learning)



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Challenges in cooperation:

- Different laws and regulations:

e.g. Dutch requirements for **CREDITS**:

- Professional master's programme (HBO-master): min. 60 credits
- Professional bachelor's programme (HBO-bachelor): 240 credits

In Hungary:

- Professional bachelor's programme (HBO-bachelor): 180 credits
- Professional master's programme (HBO-master): 120 credits



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How to deal with conflicting institutional and national regulations?

- Be happy with what is attainable,
but do not cease to strive for what is desirable
- Look for the lowest common denominator



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- Different education systems:
e.g. relationship between knowledge
and skills training
- Different cultures
- Different cultures in teaching:
e.g. distance between teachers and
students



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Fees and scholarships



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Organizational structure of the consortium (to be decided)

Level	Challenges and actions	Consortium
Network	Effective coordination	Board Organizational committee Admissions committee
Subject	Appropriate content	Academic committee Exam committee Advisory committee Student committee
Institution	Institutional anchoring	Academic chair Programme managers Course leader



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Questions ?



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How do you incorporate
Lifelong Learning
into your programmes?
Ideas and suggestions



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How do you incorporate
Student Centered Learning
into your programmes ?
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Do you have suggestions for
a good cooperation in
a European consortium?



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Thank you for your attention and
cooperation!