### Social Work in Urban Areas A joint semester in an international setting



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A new 30 ECTS points semester course developed by five schools of Social Work: Metropolia in Helsinki; Alice Salomon Hochschule in Berlin, Hogeschschule van Amsterdam, Artevelde in Ghent and Metropolitan University College in Copenhagen.

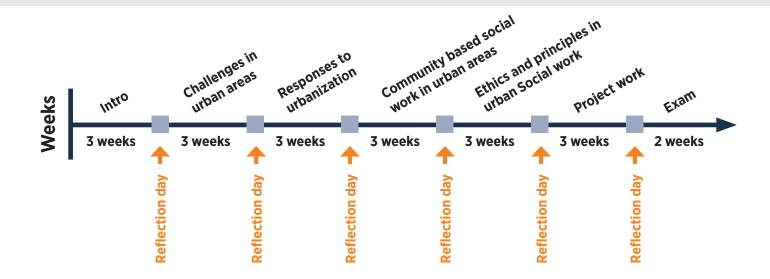
The joint semester course "SOCIAL WORK IN URBAN AREAS" will start in SEPTEMBER 2017 In Copenhagen. The course will change host city every semester, while the outline and the designated group of teachers will stay the same. The semester is running for 20 weeks from the beginning of August 2017 to the end of January 2018.



### SOCIAL WORK IN URBAN AREAS, course content:

The course explores the concept of urbanisation and the challenges posed by urbanisation poses to the social work profession. The diversity of the host city will be explored by observations, environmental screenings, field visits and lectures from practice based guest teachers. The theoretical studies will focus on key concepts e.g. urbanisation, migration, globalisation, diversity and the ways in which these concepts affect everyday lives of citizens and professionals in urban areas. The key concepts will be linked to social work practice and to methods within community work, empowerment approaches as well as human rights and ethical challenges.

Critical reflection will be a generic aspect of the course in order to enhance critical thinking in problem solving as well as in social interventions. In order to enhance their learning and train for practice, the students will work out written assignments – individually as well as in groups.



### PRACTICAL INFORMATION AND CONTACT INFO

### PRACTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE COURSE:

Host for the Autumn 2017: Metropolitan University College in Copenhagen, Denmark

### **ACADEMIC CALENDAR:**

SOCIAL WORK IN URBAN AREAS always follows the academic calendar of the host institution.

Semester dates Autumn 2017: End of August 2017 - end of January 2018. All students are expected to arrive in time for the Introduction and Welcome Week for exchange students.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINES:**

Applications for Autumn 2017: April 1st 2017.

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

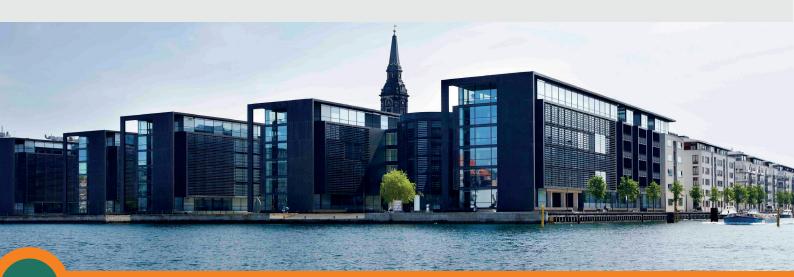
Consult the international Coordinators at the partner schools: If you are a student at one of the partner schools; consult your international coordinator (see contact info further below). If you are a student at any other school; consult the international Coordinator from Metropolitan University College in Copenhagen. (see contact info further below).

### PREREQUISITES:

In order to complete SOCIAL WORK IN URBAN AREAS, level B2 in English on the CEFR scale is a prerequisite. To be admitted to the course you must have completed at least one year of a Social Work Programme at your home institution.

### INFORMATION ABOUT THE INTRODUCTION WEEK IN COPENHAGEN:

www.phmetropol.dk/English/Exchange+Students/Student+in+Denmark/Welcome+Week



## Metropolitan University College in Copenhagen, Denmark

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Metropolitan University College is a university of applied sciences with campuses in Copenhagen. Education represents a response to social problems and challenges, as well as a reflection of our potential and dreams. It has to be rejuvenated constantly.

Metropolitan UC is both an educational institution and an active and vibrant knowledge institution – one that is involved in social development, poses questions and provides answers. We train the individuals who bind society together and generate growth and prosperity. The staff and students of Metropolitan UC form a dynamic and academically strong campus environments. The interrelationships between research, teaching and the professional world serve as the source of the knowledge that we generate – and of its long-term effects.



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### Helsinki Metropolia University of Applied Sciences, Finland

Metropolia is happy to welcome exchange students from partner schools each year! Exchange students from all over the world have enjoyed their stay at Metropolia and in Finland. Excellent language skills, good transportation network, people's friendliness and efficient functioning of the society are just a few examples of things that have impressed previous exchange students in the Helsinki region. At Metropolia, previous exchange students have enjoyed the applied methods of teaching, the easygoing and international atmosphere and the support from the staff during their exchange, among others.





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### Alice Salomon University of Applied Sciences in Berlin Germany (ASH)

Studying at ASH means studying at an interdisciplinary, research-intensive yet practiceoriented educational institution, which offers a diverse range of professional and further education perspectives for careers in social work among others. Studying at a German university is likely to differ from the academic system at your home university. As a student in Germany, and particularly at ASH Berlin, you will probably have more responsibilities to take care of on your own, but at the same time, you are often more independent and free in your choices. This concerns your choice of courses, but also the way students write essays and research papers. Past exchange students have often remarked upon the fact that seminars at ASH Berlin often involve or even require a very active and lively student discussion.





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