

Social Pedagogy

- An Integrated Academic Curriculum of Theory and Practice

Subject of this article is a specific higher education study program of the Cooperative University Baden-Württemberg, Germany, in the field of social work. There are two important aspects to be recognized: (1) With the term “Social Pedagogy” we indicate a professional way to deeply understand the life world of the clients and to interact with them in their every day surroundings. The social pedagogue tries to empower the client to deal with his problems and takes over an advocatoric position to him. (2) In the course of the 3-year-program the students are passing alternating phases in the university an in the social institution. Theory based courses are followed by practical trainings in different fields of social work. Thus the students are able to develop competencies not only based on lectures but also on permanent reflection of their practical work.

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