

VIRCLASS - THE VIRTUAL CLASSROOM FOR SOCIAL WORK IN EUROPE invites social work students and social workers all over Europe to take part and cooperate in a common classroom on the internet with teachers from different Universities in Europe.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE CURRICULUM PLAN AND THE APPLICATION FORM VISIT:

WWW.VIRCLASS.NET

BERGEN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (HIB) IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROJECT AND THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROGRAMME IN COOPERATION WITH THE PARTNERS BELOW

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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS
1 Sept 2006

INVITATION TO THE
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME
SOCIAL WORK IN EUROPE
15 ECTS online course

2006-2007
2nd programme

VIRCLASS
THE VIRTUAL CLASSROOM
FOR SOCIAL WORK IN EUROPE

OUR AIM FOR VIRCLASS is to create an interesting and inspiring virtual classroom for comparative studies in social work. The educational programme is based on multinational cooperation and aims to create educational modules that can be utilised by institutions in different countries

THE TARGET GROUP for the Programme is social work students undertaking bachelor's programmes in their second, third or fourth year. The Programme is open to students at postgraduate levels and professionals who are interested in getting an international perspective on social work. The academic level is undergraduate.

VIRCLASS IS A SUPPLEMENT to other kinds of international educational cooperation and can stimulate new areas for development in professional work, pedagogy and comparative research.

PARTNERS IN VIRCLASS:

University of Parma, Italy • University of Complutense, Madrid, Spain • University of Health Sciences, Jönköping, Sweden • University of Wales Swansea, UK • University of Vytautas Magnus, Kaunas, Lithuania • Institute Superior Miguel Torga, Coimbra, Portugal • University of Applied Sciences Vorarlberg, Dornbirn, Austria • University of Warmia and Mazury, Olsztyn, Poland • University of INHOLLAND, School of Social Work, Netherlands • City of Bergen, Norway • Bergen University College, Norway • Special consultant from Mannheim, Germany • Bodø University College, Norway

With financial support from:



VIRCLASS

WILL OFFER YOU A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO:

- LEARN
- COOPERATE
- SHARE IDEAS
- HAVE DISCUSSIONS
- BECOME INSPIRED
- RECEIVE CREDITS
- DEVELOPE NEW PERSPECTIVES ON SOCIAL WORK

IN AN INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT TOGETHER WITH STUDENTS AND TEACHERS FROM ALL OVER EUROPE

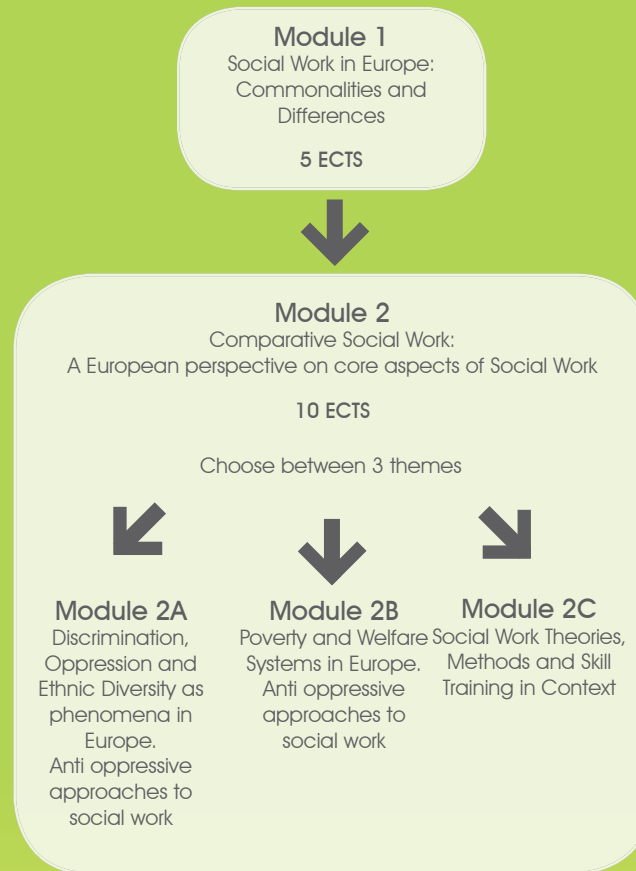
Virclass is an online course.

Duration: medio October 2006 - medio May 2007

Language: English

THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME SOCIAL WORK IN EUROPE

Offer students several interesting options:



THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN DEVELOPED WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL WORK THEMATIC NETWORK (EUSW-TN)
12 UNIVERSITIES HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT

DURING SPRING 2005 STUDENTS FROM 20 COUNTRIES PARTICIPATED IN THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME

WHAT PREVIOUS STUDENTS HAVE SAID ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

“E-learning is an exciting new study method, I am glad I had the opportunity to take part in this course”

“I found this course really interesting because I learned much more than I knew before about the European countries”

“Before starting this course I had a strong provision that distance learning is not suitable for social work studies. I was definitely wrong. Modern technologies provide us with possibilities to communicate in a different way, which also widen our view on the field of social work”.

“The instructions were very clear and permitted a comfortable use of the platform”.

“I got to know interesting things about social work in other countries. I learned a lot from my chosen theme”

“I am glad that I was able to work with such good company!”

“I had very good cooperation with my fellow students but I needed more books than I could find in my town. I am finding this comparative way of studying, and this problem-based studying much more effective than just reading the material. In this way my attention couldn't be easily distracted. I was thinking about the problem”