

## Courses in English Course Description

**Department** 11 Applied Social Sciences

Course title Social Europe Days 2024 - We & the Sustainable Development Goals(SDGs)

Course number

Hours per week (SWS) a block seminar in a blended learning format (3 SWS)

Number of ECTS credits 5

Course objective You will gain an understanding of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and its

significance for all of us as world citizens. Moreover, you will acquire an understanding of the issue of sustainability within the European Union and its basic European values. In addition, you will explore the significance of the SDGs for your own professional field. Furthermore, you will gain skills and

experience in international multi-disciplinary virtual collaboration.

Prerequisites Basic command of English and interest in the UN Sustainable Development Goals. However, more

important than your actual language skills are an open mindset and an active, self-starter attitude to

make this international experience a success.

Recommended reading https://sdgs.un.org/goals; https://www.ifsw.org/social-work-and-the-united-nations-sustainable-

development-goals-sdgs/

Teaching methods online self-study, international group work, field visits, lectures

Assessment methods Presentation as group work during the excursion, individual short written scientific paper in English or

German in the topic area of the presentation (graded) after the excursion, to be handed in by july 15,

2024

Language of instruction English

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Course content The United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) provide a vision for peace and prosperity

for all people in the world and our common planet. Within this course, you will collaborate virtually and on-site in a multi-disciplinary and international team. As a team you will investigate one of the SDGs in a more detailed way, develop a project idea as a good practice example from one of your professional fields and explore the significance of the SDG for you personally and in a European context.

The course is created collaboratively by 11 European Institutes of Higher Education. Participants are enrolled in programs such as social work, public administration, human resource management,

management of social innovations, labor law, gender studies, or social policy.

We expect around 50-70 participants from Bremen (Germany), Groningen (The Netherlands), Hasselt (Belgium), Leuven (Belgium), Málaga (Spain), Malta, Munich (Germany), Salzburg (Austria), Sibiu

(Romania), Tallinn (Estonia), and Zurich (Switzerland). Working language is English.

Obligatory Online Kick-off day April 8, 2024,

Optional Online Guest Lecture Day April 29, 2024, 10.00 - 17.00,

Obligatory Online Team Work preparing for the excursion at self-selected times

Obligatory Excursion to Hasselt, Belgium, near Brussels, May 13-17, 2024- travel and accommodation

costs will be highly subsidized but a small participation fee remains

Remarks