

Courses in English Course Description

Department 11 Applied Social Sciences

Course title Social Work in Theory and Practice

Course number

Hours per week (SWS) 2

Number of ECTS credits 5 ECTS for incoming students who have to write a scientific paper

Course objective 'classical' theories and practice of social work from the early 19th century till World War II

Prerequisites none

Recommended reading Soydan, Haluk (1999) The History of Ideas in Social Work. Venture Press.

Teaching methods This is a seminary in which the students have to present papers or scientific texts which will be

discussed in class

Assessment methods The students will be paired and have to present one paper or text in class together.

Language of instruction English

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Course content 'The seminary 'Social Work in Theory and Practice' will cover the traditional theories of social work

starting from the early Settlement-Movement (especially connected with the name of Jane Addams) to the paedagogy of Herman Nohl in the 1950s in Germany. We will focus on the question how theory and practice have been intertwined with each other and how the modern social work practice is

influenced by social work theory.

Remarks For foreign students it is possible to get 5 ECTS without the parallel course on empirical methods on

the basis that they write a scientific paper on the same topic as their presentation. The scientific paper

will be marked.