

Academic degree

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Social Work
Staatlich anerkannte/-r Sozialpädagoge/-in
(State-recognized Social Education Worker)

Start of studies

Winter semester

Standard period of study

7 semesters (3.5 years), full-time studies

Admission requirements

1. General or subject-specific university entrance qualification / *Fachhochschulreife* and
2. Practical training or pre-study internship at a social service organization (six weeks, full-time)

Application

The degree program starts in the winter semester. The application deadline for the program is July 15 of each year. Specific requirements apply for international students. In particular, as the degree program is mainly taught in German, international students must submit proof of sufficient German language proficiency. Detailed information in this respect is available here:

www.ku.de/en/international/international-students

Detailed information on the study program:

www.ku.de/en/study-offer/social-work-bachelor



Further information on the degree program

www.ku.de/en/study-offer/social-work-bachelor

General information on studying at the KU

www.ku.de/en/study-at-the-ku

Information on the Faculty of Social Work

www.ku.de/en/the-ku/faculties/sa

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„We are studying Social Work at the KU because you immediately feel at home here and you always have a contact person.“

Melissa and Melanie

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Degree program concept

What characterizes our BA in Social Work:

- Focus on the person and their needs in special life situations
- Scientific expertise, combined with professional, methodological and social skills
- Practical relevance with integration into scientific theories and methods
- Mix of traditional topics in Social Work and innovative fields of work
- Individual profiling through specializations

Our study specializations:

- Youth work / youth social work / non-school youth education
- Support for persons at risk (e.g. drug support, probation service)
- Health / old age / disability
- Intercultural and international social work
- Education and family support

What you can expect:

- Exciting and varied degree program
- Excellent education
- Personal supervision and support, short distances and friendly study environment
- Secure professional prospects and room for individual participation

Here at the KU, you are not just part of a degree program – you actively shape it. Take the opportunity to tailor your studies to your interests and get the best possible qualifications for starting your career in the social sector. We look forward to supporting you on this path.

Study contents

Semesters 1 & 2: Foundations

- Scientific work
- Professional work
- Psychology and pedagogy
- Social policy and law

Semesters 3 & 4: Specialization

- Choice of individual specialization
- Social management and information technologies in welfare services
- Ethics
- Education, upbringing, communication
- Health

Semester 5: Internship semester

Internship in a social institution of your choice with close support and guidance by the University. The internship can also be completed abroad.

Semesters 6 & 7: Deepening & expanding your knowledge

You reflect on the experience gathered in the internship semester and deepen your knowledge. You carry out own research in the research workshop and complete the remaining modules.

Many additional offers, including:

- Language course: Specialist English for social professions
- Seminar on personal development
- Mentoring program with advanced students
- Career service
- Practical work exchange to get to know potential internship institutions and employers
- University sports and gym
- Drama group

Career prospects



Full professional flexibility

A degree in Social Work opens up many professional opportunities – we help you in finding the path that is just right for you!

- Social work in youth, social and healthcare facilities
- Social educational family support
- School social work
- Management in educational institutions
- Child and youth, family, elderly and disability care
- Youth and adult education
- Juvenile court assistance and probationary services
- Social work in the penal system
- Counseling centers (e.g. debt counseling, family counseling, addiction counseling)
- Authorities (e.g. youth welfare office)
- Social work in the field of asylum and migration
- Leisure and experiential educational institutions
- ... and many more!

Alternatively, continue your studies in a Master's program in Social Work.