



Study social work at Stockholm University in Sweden

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This could be the chance of a lifetime!



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Why study Social Work in Sweden?

At the Stockholm University Department of Social Work we give you the opportunity to study the organization, practices and consequences of Swedish social work in a vibrant academic environment.

The different historical, political and cultural contexts determine how national social work is organized and framed. In the case of Sweden, social work is an important part of the Swedish welfare state that has become an attractive concept worldwide

Located in one of the world's most beautiful capitals – the so-called Venice of the North – we offer not only studies alongside fellow students from all over the world, but also the attractions of a wonderful city with great atmosphere. In 2012 Stockholm University was ranked Best Student City no 27 in the world.

Stockholm University

Would you like to study at a University of Nobel Prize winners? Four researchers from Stockholm University have received the Nobel Prize while a fifth has been awarded the Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Science in Memory of Alfred Nobel.

Stockholm University is one of the world's top 100 universities and home to a number of internationally prominent research environments. Some of the country's most substantial research in science, humanities and social science is carried out here.

With 69 departments and research centers, around 200 study programs and more than 1900 single subject courses, the University gathers more than 64000 students, 5000 members of staff and around 1900 active doctoral students. You will be part of this stimulating community of students and researchers. About 75 master's programs are taught in English.





The Department of Social Work

Curious about social work? Then we are happy to offer you a high quality education in a creative study environment, embedded in an extensive research tradition.

Founded in 1921, the Department of Social Work has a long tradition. Unlike the situation in many other European countries, social work is (since 1977) an academic discipline within the Faculty of Social Sciences. Today, the Department is one of the largest at Stockholm University with more than 1200 students. In 2012 the study program was the third most applied for in Sweden.

International cooperation has also for many years been a central part of the Department profile and student and teacher exchanges with our various partner universities are encouraged and supported.

Education

STUDY PROGRAMS IN SOCIAL WORK (210 CREDITS), IN SWEDISH

The Department offers two study programs; one general and one with a focus on the elderly and the disabled, each program awarding 210 credits. Teaching consists of lectures, project work, tutorials and field studies, giving many opportunities for stimulating debate and small group interaction.

ADVANCED LEVEL (SEVENTH SEMESTER), IN SWEDISH

To enhance your proficiency in social work, master's level courses are offered in the seventh semester, for example evidence in social work and basic training in psychotherapy along with a further selection of courses.

MASTER'S PROGRAMS IN SWEDISH AND IN ENGLISH

At the Stockholm University Department of Social Work you can choose between two master's programs, each conferring 120 credits: a general Master in Social Work program (in Swedish) and an International Master of Social Policy and Social Work program (in English). The international master's program is a two-year education leading to a Master of Science in Social Work.



The Master in Social Work program, 120 credits (in Swedish)

The Swedish master's program gives you the possibility to take advantage of the latest research findings for performing in-depth analyses. Teaching is based on the knowledge gained from previous university education and own active pursuit of knowledge. This demands independence of mind and the ability to take own initiatives. Some part of the required reading is in English but all instruction is in Swedish. All the courses in the program, except for the thesis writing course, can be read as single subject courses.

International Master of Social Policy and Social Work, 120 credits (in English)

The international master's program has an explicit international focus. You will work with a comparative perspective on issues concerning how various welfare regimes define and handle social problems. This program provides in-depth knowledge in the field of social work carried out in different national and international settings, as well as preparing you for a career in welfare organizations or in research.

Applicants from countries outside the EU, the EEA and Switzerland are required to pay an application fee as well as tuition fees for all studies commencing after June 2011.

For more information on the program and the application procedures, see www.studera.nu.

Important Dates and information can be found on: www.su.se/english

COURSES IN ENGLISH

At both basic and master's level we offer each semester a variety of courses in English. See www.socarb.su.se/study

PHD PROGRAM

Candidates are expected to achieve their PhD for 240 credits in four years of full time study. The program consists of courses for 75 credits and the writing of a thesis for 165 credits. Most of the courses are in Swedish, but dissertations are often written in English.

RESEARCH

We carry out extensive research at the Department of Social Work, which is one of the largest Swedish research departments in social work. Fields of research are substance abuse (treatment of abusers, organization of treatment), social work with children and families (interventions, outcome, organization of child welfare), social work with youth, social assistance/economic support (organization of municipal services regarding the benefit, changes over time, relation to the labor market), eldercare (distribution of support and services, care as a profession) and evidence-based social work.





“ Studying in Sweden has been an amazing experience for me. This international course is giving me the chance to get to know so many different people from all over the world and to share experiences with them. I am very happy to be here ”

Aygun, Azerbaijan

“ Studying in the International Social Work Program has provided me with valuable knowledge and experiences from very diverse perspectives. The cohort of people from over 25 countries allows me to see social work and social problems in a broader context. I am privileged to be participating in that program ”

Christina, USA

We are looking forward to seeing you!

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