







TRAUMA & RESILIENCE

Persecution, conflicts and human rights violations continue to force people to flee their homes and seek safety in Europe. Many families with children or unaccompanied minors risk their lives to find a new life in European countries. These families and children do not only need a safe haven, housing, access to schooling and health services, many of them also need assistance to overcome the separation of their family and the consequences of violence and abuse, which they experienced in their country of origin or during the journey. Parents and especially children show a remarkable resilience in coping with difficult situations and trauma. Social workers and counsellors have the important task to strengthen this resilience and to support the recovery of families and children after forced migration.

This two-week summer course introduces key issues in social work and counselling for refugee families and children to students and professionals. Participants will get a thorough theoretical basis in lectures and workshops offered by specialized psychologists and social scientists. Field visits of organisations working with refugee families and children will confront the participants with relevant methodologies and how to apply them in this context.

PROGRAMME

An internationally composed team of specialists will provide interesting lectures and workshops on social work with refugee children and families.

- European institutions and refugees
- Building up resilience through adaptive methods
- Lectures on resilience, life trajectories, community building... of refugee families and children
- · Visit at the Red Star Line Museum
- · Visits at international NGO's

You will find the full programme on our website: www.kcgezinswetenschappen.be/en/summerschool

During the lectures, migration will be approached from four different stages: (1) the moment people flee from the country, (2) the process of seeking asylum and finding shelter, (3) family reunion and (4) integration in a new community. So to speak, participants will follow the steps a refugee takes.

During the field visits and workshops, there will we a specific focus on three themes: (1) learning, playing and living, (2) supporting positive transnational family dynamics, (3) building up a future.

For participants, who doesn't want to receive the ECTS points, it is possible to choose only the lectures or/and workshops and field visits of their interest.

MORE INFORMATION:

www.kcgezinswetenschappen.be/en/summerschool summerschool.refugees@odisee.be



REGISTRATION FEE

- ERASMUS+ and COST-partners: **250 euros** with lodgement (lunches & visits included)
- Non ERASMUS+ partners: 350 euros with lodgement (lunches & visits included)
- Other participants: 100 euros without lodgement (lunches and visits included)

If you like to stay in contact with the participants of the summer school during the evenings, we recommend you to stay in the hostel. Lodging is provided for the 10 participants who register first. You will stay in JES, a hostel in Molenbeek (close to the city center of Brussels).

If you cancel your subscription before the 15th of May, we will reimburse 100% of the subscription fee and 30% of the lodging fee. If you cancel after the 15th of May, we will reimburse 50% of the subscription fee. At this moment, the lodging fee cannot be reimbursed anymore.

TARGET GROUP

Undergraduate students (2nd, 3rd and 4th grade) of social work, social sciences, applied psychology, family studies, anthropology, counselling, health sciences, education... who want to develop a broader view on social work and counselling work with refugee families and children, both on a theoretical and methodological level.

Professionals can participate in the whole summer school or can choose for some specific lectures or workshops of their interest. We would like to contribute to the professionalization of the sector.

The number of participants for the complete programme will be limited to 50.

- · Language: English
- ECTS: 3
- In order to receive the ECTS-points, all parts of the programme (student project included) are mandatory.

The summer school is a practise-based programme. Throughout the program, we will form small project groups. Each group will work on one of the three themes: (1) learning, playing and living, (2) supporting positive transnational family dynamics and (3) building up a future. During this project, students have to prepare and set up a round table on this theme with experts. At the end of the programme, the different groups will present the output of this project to their fellow students.