School of Applied Humanities and Languages

Department of Social Work

Professional Diploma in Social Work / Migration and Refugees

Jordan with its location in the heart of the Middle East has hosted multiple influx of refugees and has been identified as a transitional country for migration. In general, the world is facing ever-increasing challenges in different domains related to migration and refugees such as health, social, political and economic dimensions.

The German Jordanian University (GJU) has identified a high demand for creating a specialized postgraduate programme focusing on treating the challenges of refugees and migration. This programme will have to bring together national, regional and international aspects and perspectives to encompass the current pressing problems of refugees.

This programme offers an understanding of refugees and migrants in context of conflicts and socio-political change. It aims at providing information and practical knowledge in a limited and manageable period of time. The Professional Diploma will provide a critical understanding of the theoretical and conceptual foundations of migration and refugees as well as a focus on practical knowledge. It will examine the UN and other international, national and civil society organizational strategies, frameworks and mechanisms.

It is a degree that is able to target not only social work practitioners but also professionals from other disciplines as well as fresh graduates. The courses respond to professionals’ needs. Their perspectives shape the programme that will offer a comprehensive understanding of human needs of displaced persons.

A workshop at GJU was conducted with 10 national and international governmental and non-governmental organizations that are working with refugees in Jordan. The professionals suggested the main areas and components of the Professional Diploma in Social Work / Migration and Refugees described in the objectives.
**Course Objectives:**

- Supporting professionalisation of social work activities for migrants and refugees in Jordan, the region as well as in further countries.

- Establishing a programme that can be operative at short notice (professional diploma/ Zertifikatsstudium).

- Laying foundations for training staff already working or planning to work in the field of refugees and crisis intervention.

- Linking training and study in areas of origin and transit (Middle East) with target regions (Europe).

- Combining training programmes in Jordan with study programmes established at German or other European universities and universities of applied sciences.

**Career Prospects**

The professional Diploma Programme “Migration and Refugees” will provide graduates with proper qualifications for job opportunities in professional fields in social work with refugees.

Students will be qualified to engage in refugees and migration aspects. They will be able to address the impact of Professional Diploma with an interdisciplinary team, health, experts and policy maker and community development planners.

Students will be able to design interventions aiming at strengthening the resilience of refugees.

Graduates will also be qualified to engage in development methods of intervention with mental health service user, disabled and vulnerable populations of migrants and refugees and will be able to conduct a research with people at risk.

By graduation, they will be qualified professionals prepared to contribute to improve life quality and integration of refugees on a local, regional as well as on an international level.
Programme Structure

The professional diploma programme comprises 15 credits hours.

It will be run by the School of Applied Humanities and Languages in its Department of Social Work.

The programme will have a total duration of 5 months:

4 month: lectures
1 month: field training/internship

Courses:

3 compulsory courses of 3 CH each
1 course of 3 CH taken from the elective course

Each student will choose one of the courses as his/her major specialty course, for which he/she will develop a graduation research at the end of the programme.

Field Training:

120 hours of internship (3CH)
-20 sessions of 6 hours each on Saturdays
(only for those who are employees)
or
-20 days of 6 hours each in 1 month.
- The training starts after the second week of the programme, if the student could not finish their training he / she will have the chance to continue the training at the final month.

Courses will be taught on 4 days per week with 3 hours per day in the afternoon, i.e. 12 hours per week.
Classroom hours are contact hours of 45 minutes each.

**Language of Instruction:**

In order to develop international competences and enhance employability the main teaching language for lectures will be English.

**Venue:**

GJU location in Amman.

**Admission Requirements:**

Candidates must be holders of a Bachelor’s degree or of a two year diploma degree in social work, special education, social science, or other related disciplines.

English competency exam to be administered by the GJU.

**Required Documents:**

1. the original certificate of the Bachelor degree or two years diploma or a copy of the document translated by a certified office
2. a C.V.
3. a letter of motivation
4. a photocopy of the information page of the passport
5. three recent photographs

**Tuition Fee:** 900 JOD
Grading:

- Mid term: 30/100
- Semester work: 30/100
- Final: 40/100

Passing grade: 75/100

Compulsory Courses:

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