

International Master's Program in Comparative Social Work

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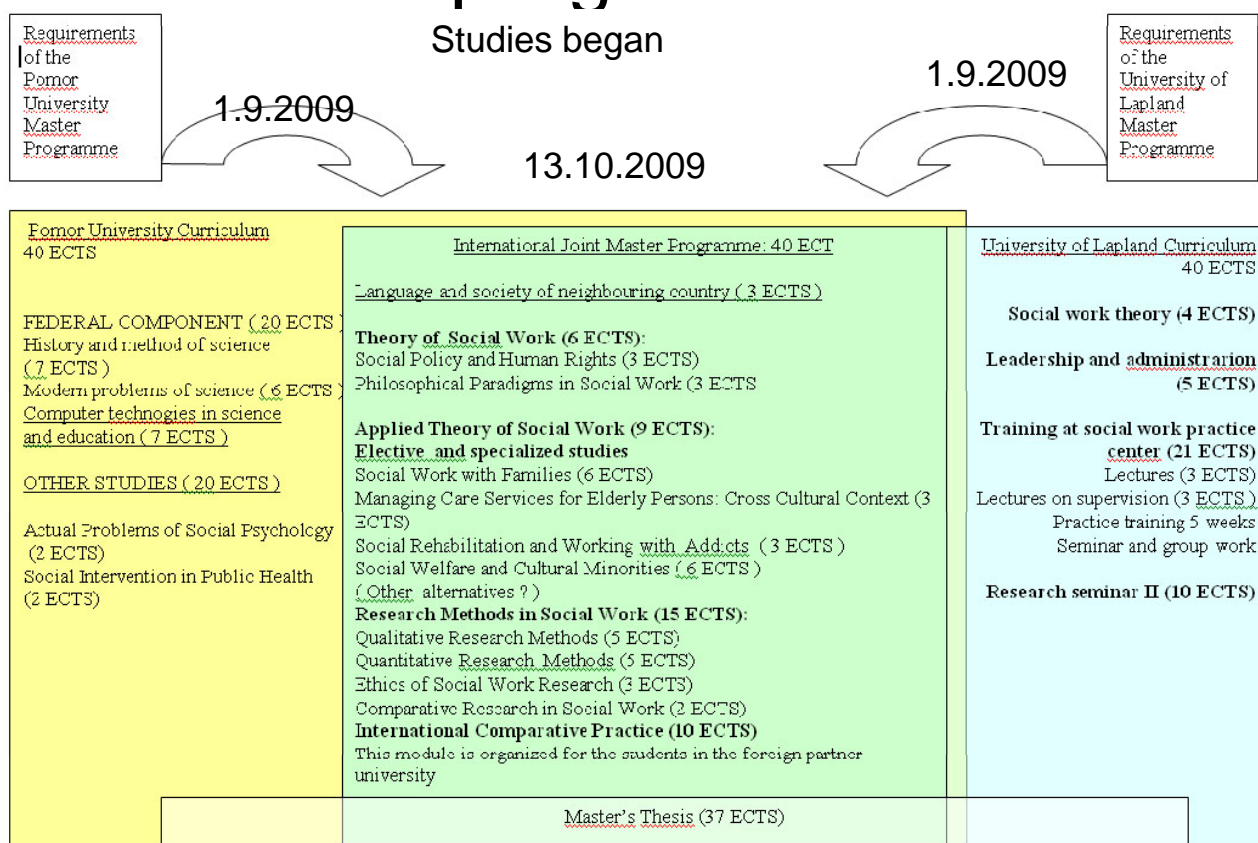
Some aims and topics in planning and implementation

- Sustainable social and economic development in the North-Europe; prevention of social problems; not only individual but also societal aspects
- Academic and scientific collaboration across the border; mobility of students and teachers (lack of money)
- Developing of expertise across border, focusing on the neighbouring collaboration program, northern dimension and the needs of labour force: cultural understanding and multicultural skills of social work
- Implementation of the Bologna process in Finland and Russia; transparency of curriculum and courses
- Quality assurance feedback from students and two teachers, Russia and Finland; implementation agreement, specify implementation of curriculum
- Developing BCBU Ph.D programme and comparative research project in social work in the near future; Umeå and Bodö

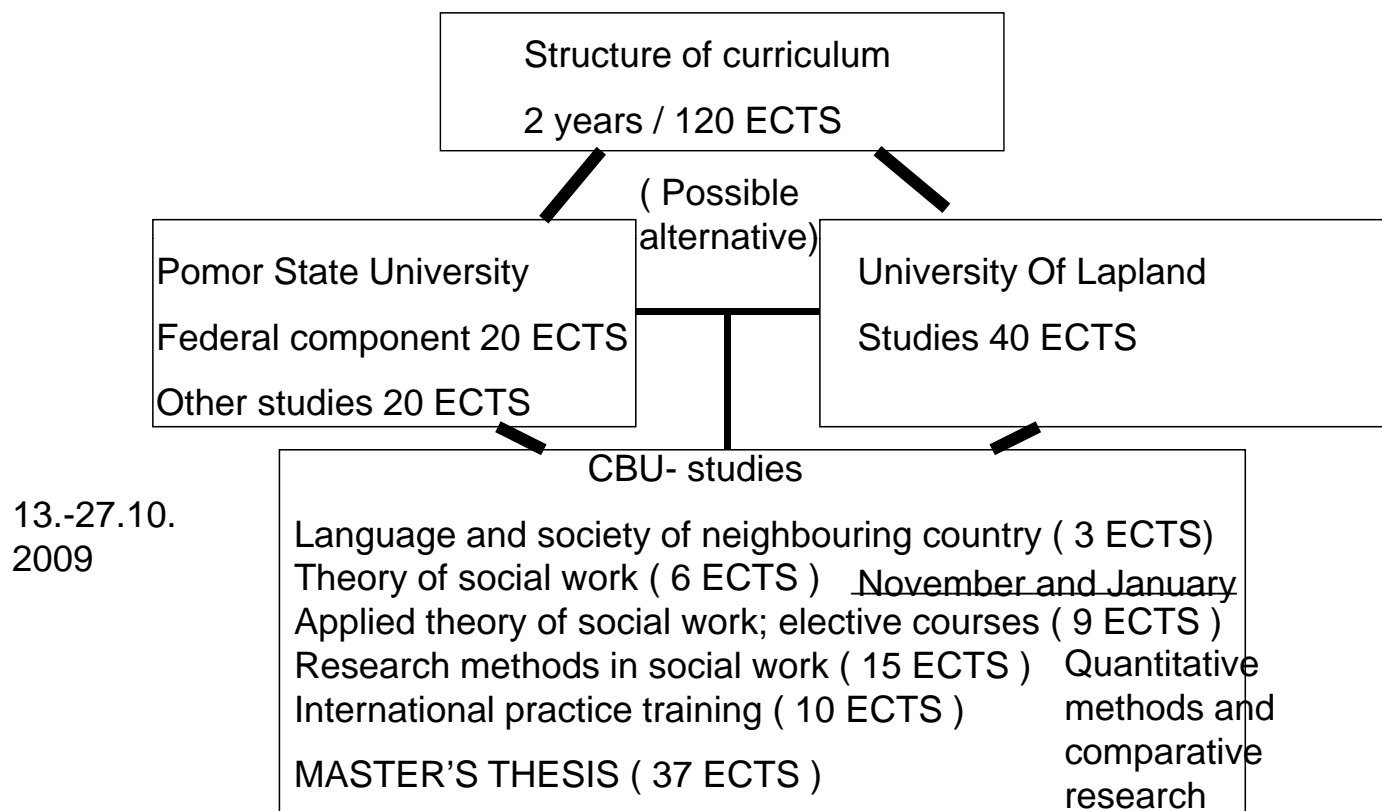
Aims of social work curriculum

- Comparative social work is
 - a programme for students with a prior academic degree in social work or related field and interested in acquiring
 - advanced skills for different careers
 - right for Ph.D. studies in social work
 - focused on acquiring a better understanding of national and global social work through a comparative approach and multicultural understanding; winter school; workshops and students from different universities

Implementation of CSW programme



Implementation of CSW 2009-2010



Study material: recorded and online courses

- Ethics of social work and research 3 ECTS (DVD)
- Quantitative research method (learnlink)
- Comparative social work social work research (online)
- Social Work Theory 4 ETCS (DVD)
- Leadership and administration (DVD)
- Social policy and human rights (winter school) 3 ECTS (DVD and optima)
- Two elective courses (online)
- Other studymaterial and links in internet (literature is a problem)

Schedule of this spring

- Practice training in Social Work
 - Lectures: going on
 - Multi-professional approaches and working with addicts: going on
 - Social work practice training in Finland (5 weeks) between 26.4.-30.8.
 - Field placement (supervision in english)
 - Social work development center Rovaniemi
 - Refugee reception office Red Cross and Rovaniemi
 - Friends of Youth (NGO)
 - Summer school (23.8.-27.8.2010) in Rovaniemi: qualitative research methods

Agreement concerning implementation of CSW: content

- Parties
 - Responsibilities
- Background/Framework of Collaboration
- Purpose/Objective/Scope of the Agreement
- Program/The Module within the Programme in Collaboration
- Degree and Diploma Supplements
- Decision-making concerning the Content of Program/the Module
- Students
- Teachers
- Intellectual property rights

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- Liability
- Confidentiality
- Quality assurance
- Finance
- Applicable law and settlements of disputes
- Validity, admentment and termination
- Signatures

Continue: annexes

- Agreement on joint Master's programs leading to joint/double degrees between BCBU agreement signed in 2007
- Study guide
- Model for a copyrigt agreement
- Students rights for learning material

Next Steps and Challenges

- Quality assurance handbook
- New round of marketing in autumn 2010
- Next selection of students spring 2011
- New beginning september 2011
- Joint/double degree
- Ph.D programme
- Stronger role of associate partners