PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Aim of the course:

The aim of the course *People with Disabilities* is to introduce the foreign student to the system of care for people with disabilities in the Czech Republic, in the context of inclusive societal trends and a humane approach of the society.

The student will get information about disability as a phenomenon of specific needs, competences, but also limits, including the terminology currently used on the basis of current legislative documents both domestic and foreign. The student will get a practical introduction to social services and visit two facilities where he/she can observe social inclusion and rehabilitation.

Course content:

1. Theoretical part
* Person with disabilities, their specifics, characteristics, needs
* Types of disability - mental, physical, sensory and severe.
* Context of age - children, adults and seniors - changing perspectives due to age.
* Family of person with disability (parental resilience), disadvantages, challenges, risks.
* Inclusion - social and pedagogical, definitions and key issues in today's society.
* Ethical issues, attitudes and approaches (principles of a gentle teaching approach).
* Programmes, services and benefits for people with disabilities - practical part (this part could be about volunteering).
1. Practical part
* Excursions to social facilities (min. 2) - observation of social rehabilitation, inclusion, therapy. (Flexible due to the possibilities of the pupil and teacher).
1. Assessment and evaluation
* Discussion, feedback, evaluation.

Learning outcomes achieved:

Upon completion of the course, the student should be able to:

* Define the term "disability";
* Define the basic characteristics related to people with disabilities and their life in contemporary society;
* Discuss the risks and opportunities of social inclusion;
* Define different types of disabilities with different needs of individuals;
* Work with documents of a legislative in comparison of both countries (Act on Social Services and Care in the Czech Republic No. 108/2006 Coll., as amended, Standards of Quality of Social Services)
* Compare social care and facilities for people with disabilities in the Czech Republic and abroad.
* Be able to explain the essence of social inclusion and social rehabilitation;
* According to individual possibilities to attend at least two excursions to social service facilities.

Organization of the course:

Lessons:

1. Organization of the whole course and lessons, learning agreement
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Studying literature