

DESCRIPTION OF DEGREE PROGRAMME (admission year: 2021-2022)

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Title of the degree programme	National Code
Social Work and Legal Fundamentals Bachelor`s Degree Programme (Specialization - Social Work and Human Rights)	6121JX058

2.

Official name of the awarding institution(s)	Language of instruction
Mykolas Romeris University	English

3.

Kind of study	Cycle of studies	Level of qualification
University studies	I cycle	VI level

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Mode of study and length of programme in years	Length of the degree programme in ECTS credits	Student's workload	Contact work hours	Independent work hours
Full-time study 4 years	240	6480	1496	4985

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Group of Study Fields	Field of the programme
Social Sciences	Social Work

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Degree and/or qualification awarded
Bachelor of Social Sciences

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Programme Director	Contact information
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Accreditation organization	Period of reference
Centre for Quality Assessment in Higher Education	2024.12.31

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Purpose of the programme
The goal of the programme of Social Work is to train social workers for scientific and practical social work skills necessary in their professional field, able to uphold and defend human rights and organize the helping process to individuals, groups and communities strengthening and/or restoring their social functioning in society on national, intercultural and international levels.

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Profile of the programme		
Study content: discipline(s)/subject area(s)	Orientation of the programme	Distinctive features
<p>The Programme is composed of general education subjects, basic study subjects and special (professional) education subjects. General education subjects consist of subjects that develop students' worldview, systemic thinking, skills of information search and processing study field of social work and aims at development of general and professional competences. The study subjects of special (professional) education are based on the study subjects of basics and aim to further deepen knowledge and skills of basic and general university education.</p>	<p>In the blocks of general education, basic study and specialized (professional) subjects of the Programme there are scheduled alternative.</p> <p>Students are proposed to select one of 2 study programme alternatives: either "Generalist Social Work Practice", "Social Work in the Correctional System".</p> <p>During the whole period of studies there is consistent formation of mutual-cultural, professional, special and general competences projected in the objectives of the Programme.</p>	<p>The Programme from other programmes of similar mode are distinctive as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ the programme is unique in realizing the principles of voluntarism and sociality and relating the knowledge in social work and law, human rights; it also suggests an alternative field of social work in correctional institutions and preparing social workers for correctional institutions; □ the programme combines the scientific and practical aspects of the social work studies, the content of the programme is being continually improved with regard to social partners' requests and therefore it reflects the most urgent issues in the field of social work; □ the programme encourages students' independent learning and possibility to improve themselves as future professionals through participation in international academic exchanges and international scientific-practice projects. <p>- allows to choose the direction of related studies. More info http://www.mruni.eu/lt/studijos/studiju_programos/gretutines_studijos/</p>
Qualification requirements and regulations		
<p>According to the Description of the Lithuanian Qualifications Framework level VI qualifications are acquired by way of undergraduate (I cycle) studies at universities.</p> <p>The qualification is related to complex activities which are characterized by a variety of tasks and contents. In solving problems in different areas of professional activities, a variety of means and methods is applied. The performance implies application of broad theoretical knowledge built on the results of recent fundamental and applied research or knowledge needed for implementation of innovations.</p> <p>The activities are performed independently, with a free choice of methods of performance and with managing task groups for the implementation of the task. That is the reason why qualification of this level includes the ability to plan activities with consideration of the tasks set, to analyse and record the results of one's own activity outcomes, as well as to submit reports to the coordinating persons; to correct one's activities with regard to the analysis of the activity results and recommendations of experts and to implement varied project activities.</p> <p>The environment of the activities requires adapting to continuous and unpredictable change, which is caused by the progress of knowledge and technology in a specific area of professional field. The qualification allows to improve and develop knowledge in the professional area and, following the self-assessment, to learn individually (to develop</p>		

cognitive competences), as caused by the constant change of professional activities.

11.

Admission requirements	Specific arrangements for recognition of prior learning	Specific requirements for graduation
<p>Enrolment into undergraduate studies is carried out on the basis of competition, with high education attainment, academic achievements and results of entrance exams (in those cases that those exams are organised) and other criteria formulated by MRU taken into consideration. Higher education organizations (together with the Ministry of Education, Science and Sport) identify principles of composition of a score for competition according to directions of studies and also identify the main subject.</p> <p>Information on regulations and the composition of a competitive score is available: https://www.mruni.eu/en/study_program/social-work-and-human-rights/</p>	<p>Procedure for Recognition of Academic Credits at Mykolas Romeris University "https://intranet.mruni.eu/mru_lt_dokumentai/centrai/akademiniu_reikalu_centras/teises_aktai/Studiju%20kreditu%20prip.tv._ENG%20porfolio.pdf" establishes the principles and procedure for the recognition of learning outcomes achieved by a person in other Lithuanian and foreign higher education institutions and in the non-formal and informal learning competencies, related to higher education, and the recognition of study credits at Mykolas Romeris University.</p>	<p>According to the requirements student must complete the study program courses, to write and defend a bachelor's thesis paper.</p>

12.

Access to further studies
Access to the second cycle studies

13.

Occupational profiles of graduates with examples
<p>The academic qualifications allow for social worker's job in Governmental organization and NGO, child rights protection services, centers for social help like day care center, residential child care and seniors home, crisis centers, penitentiaries, most public and international organizations that take care of different disturbance groups.</p>

14.

Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods
<p>Student-focused methods that enable establishment of learning environment, method of on-line assistance to students, project work, collaboration, methods of supervision, case studies methods.</p>	<p>The system of summative (cumulative) assessment is applied in the Programme. The system of interim evaluations is also applied and it includes projects, course work essays, reports, written assignments, and analyses of social situations. Ongoing and thematic control of knowledge is conducted during seminars, its results are evaluated by interim (cumulative) marks that are later included into the final evaluation. Methodologies of achievement self-assessment are oriented into evaluation of competences: students prepare and present portfolios of subjects-related and personal competences.</p>
<p>Knowledge forming methods (involving lecture, problem based teaching, seminars, analysis of scientific literature, visualization, the use of IT, study diary, mind maps and other) are created for students to self – select abilities and apply their knowledge to solve the addressed problems.</p>	<p>The system of summative (cumulative) assessment is applied in the Programme. The system of interim evaluations is also applied and it includes projects, course work essays, reports, written assignments, and analyses of social situations. Ongoing and thematic control of knowledge is conducted during seminars, its results are</p>

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Communication and cooperation methods (discussions, debates, analytical conversations, group work and other) are used to develop students' ability to cooperate, communicate, work in team).	The system of summative (cumulative) assessment is applied in the Programme. The system of interim evaluations is also applied and it includes projects, course work essays, reports, written assignments, and analyses of social situations. Ongoing and thematic control of knowledge is conducted during seminars, its results are evaluated by interim (cumulative) marks that are later included into the final evaluation. Methodologies of achievement self-assessment are oriented into evaluation of competences: students prepare and present portfolios of subjects-related and personal competences.

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Generic competences		Programme learning outcomes	
1.	Learning and professional career planning abilities.	1.1	Students will be able to improve and constantly evaluate own professional knowledge and skills.
		1.2	Students will be able to plan professional career and apply innovations to professional practice.
2.	Efficient communication and collaboration.	2.1	Students will be able in intercultural level insure effective communication, to exchange ideas in seeking consensus.
		2.2	Students will be able to apply correct language in real and virtual professional areas.
3.	Scientific research.	3.1	Students will be able to search for and process information for solving various social problems.
		3.2	Students will be able independently to plan and conduct small scale research scale research
Subject specific competences		Programme learning outcomes	
4.	Identification, planning and evaluation of effectiveness of social assistance for individuals, families and community.	4.1	Students will be able to seek for social and economic justice, to accept responsible and not harmful for client solutions.
		4.2	Students will be able to apply problems solving models, independently and properly implement related normative acts.
		4.3	Students will be able to select alternative ways in planning, developing and evaluating psychosocial support.
5.	Empowerment of individuals and groups to solve their problems independently.	5.1	Students will be able to develop clients' and clients' groups social skills needed for prevention of social problems.
		5.2	Students will be able to strengthen persons ability to solve problems in case to help clients to find resources and services independently.

6.	Social project development and organization competences.	6.1	Students will be analyze and forecast social problems, able to create and realize prevention programs and project for social problems;
		6.2	Students will be able to organize and create the team of specialists for social support in various systems.
7.	Social communication and counseling.	7.1	Students will be able to start and maintain professional relations based on mutual trust and respect with individuals, groups, communities, staff at organizations (other professionals).
		7.2	Students will be able to communicate and cooperate with social partners, initiate and develop activities of voluntaries, involve other professionals in team work.

	Social Work Practice in Correctional Institutions	6	162	29	133					x					x	x			x			
	Social Work Practice with Individual	6	162	30	132					x					x	x			x			
3rd YEAR		60	1620	300	1320																	
5 SEMESTER		30	810	156	654																	
Compulsory course units		24	648	140	508																	
	Quantitative Methods in Social Work	6	162	38	124					x								x				
	Social Assistance Team Formation and Management	6	162	26	136				x				x						x		x	
	Basics of Social Work with Family	6	162	38	124					x			x					x				
	Social Counseling	6	162	38	124								x		x							
Alternatively elective course units		6	162	16	146																	
	Social Work Practice in the Resocialization Units of Correction Institutions	6	162	16	146														x			
	Social Work Practice with Groups	6	162	16	146	x													x			x
6 SEMESTER		30	810	144	666																	
Compulsory course units		24	648	128	520																	
	Social Work with People at social Risk	6	162	38	124					x					x	x						
	Social Activities of the Community	6	162	26	136														x			x
	Social Work in Health Care Institutions	6	162	38	124										x				x			x
	Mediation in Social Activities	3	81	26	55										x				x			
	Bachelor Thesis	3	81	0	81	x	x															
Alternatively elective course units		6	162	16	146																	
	Social Work Practice in Community	6	162	16	146										x							x

