

A PROGRAMME WITH A TRULY GLOBAL CHARACTER

Erasmus Mundus Master's Programme in Social Work with Families and Children (MFAMILY) is a two-year programme that focuses on interventions for vulnerable children and marginalized families.

The University of Gothenburg and the Department of Social Work is one of the partnering universities in this master programme. MFAMILY (120 ECTS) is jointly developed by the University Institute of Lisbon, University of Gothenburg, University of Stavanger and Makerere University. Students will spend a semester each in Lisbon, Stavanger and Gothenburg before moving to the desired partner institution to work on their master's thesis. The language of instruction for the programme is English.

The aim of MFAMILY is to enable students to work effectively with families and children in a changing global context, and prepare students for careers in social work and social policy with governmental and non-governmental organizations, international organizations and private practice.

As a student in the MFAMILY programme, you will be updated on the latest research and practices on social work interventions for vulnerable children and families. Upon completion of the programme you will hold unique competences that are demanded from local and national governmental institutions as well as from NGO:s and private actors in the field of social work and social welfare.

As one of the partnering universities, the University of Gothenburg contributes with excellent standards of teaching and research expertise on themes focused on family issues and the rights of the children, on migration and globalization processes dealing with children and families, as well as on social work and social research methods.

Interested?

Find out more about the program and how to apply by visiting MFAMILY's website:

<http://mfamily.iscte-iul.pt/>

or contact: international@socwork.gu.se



- The specialization in families and children appealed to me, as well as the opportunity to get multiple field experiences. The beautiful thing is that it also took me to three different countries!

- It has been a tremendous experience to say the least. I have gained new perspectives on a lot of things. The Lilian that left Ghana two years ago is not the same today. I have achieved knowledge and skills that will enable me to make an impact in the area of social work in Ghana, says Lilian Amankwa.

The different field placements throughout the programme have been especially valuable.

- I was at a youth center helping young people stay away from the streets and connect with peers in a positive way. I really enjoyed it and it would be interesting to develop similar ideas in Ghana.

Being a student in the MFAMILY programme means studying at an advanced academic level. At times, it has been a bit overwhelming, Lilian says, but today she is proud of her achievement and feels equipped with recent research and methods of analysis. In the future, she would like to give consultancy to governments and NGO:s.

- This experience will remain a valuable asset for me on that journey.