

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER

According to the laws concerning the conditions for obtaining and acknowledging qualification for executing non-medical healthcare professions, the execution of the profession of the clinical social worker is described as **activity within preventive, diagnostic and rehabilitation care** in the field of clinical social care and further as participating in healthcare in the area of **meeting the social needs of a client**. In conformity with the Minimum Standard of Education in Social Work, the programme is specifically aimed at concepts and methods of **individual social work, social work with a family, with a group, and community work** in the area of clinical social care of children, adults, seniors or the dying, or of people with psychiatric diseases and disabilities.

The main aim of the study programme is to achieve a complex readiness of graduates for executing their profession stressing self-experience and self-reflection, a high level of theoretic knowledge, practical skills, communication and psychosocial skills, organizational skills as well as general knowledge of the branch so that the graduate will be able to:

- Carry out social prevention including searching for potential clients,
- Carry out a social survey and its analysis,
- Set up a plan of psychosocial intervention,
- Implement social measures,
- Take care of a social agenda,
- Provide social legal advice,
- Participate in the integration of users to enable their active participation in the process of this integration,
- Participate in organizing recondition stays,
- In case of user's/client's/patient's death, provide professional advice in communications with social services,
- Provide complex services in case of the deceased without a known family,
- Carry out basic activities in the context of the Act on Social Services (social advising, social therapeutic activity, telephone crisis help, practising clients' skills, assistance in employing client's rights and interests, assistance in dealing with common acts of self care of the client, crisis help etc.),
- Carry out analytical, methodical and conceptual activity in the clinical social sphere,
- Contribute to the professionalization of their branch,
- Be aware of the status of a clinical social worker within a multidisciplinary team and contribute to high quality interdisciplinary cooperation.

Graduates can employ their competences in the **area of healthcare and social care**, in organizations of public administration and local administration, in non-state non-profit making and ecclesiastic organisations, especially in:

- long-term care and rehabilitation hospitals,
- hospice care facilities,
- psychiatric hospitals,

- day care centres,
- day care agencies,
- educational institutions,
- infant care centres,
- hotel-based facilities for seniors and people with health disabilities (care centres, boarding houses),
- social affairs departments,
- employment offices.