



Facts

Dates

- April 20 – 26, 2022: Maynooth University
- May 5 – June 9, 2022: online sessions
- June 20 – 24, 2022: University of Duisburg-Essen

Accommodation and travel arrangements

These will be supported by the coordinators at Maynooth University and the University of Duisburg-Essen. The EU offers additional funding for environmentally friendly travel.

Costs

Students enrolled at Maynooth University, the University of Duisburg-Essen, the Middle East Technical University and Salzburg University are eligible to apply for funding for a 5-day physical stay abroad in either Ireland or Germany.

Please ensure that any arrangements you make can be cancelled at a reasonable cost and that your travel insurance covers Covid-related cancellations.

Creditation

You will be able to earn up to 11 ECTS in total, 5 ECTS for part a and 6 ECTS for part b

Further questions?

Please feel free to contact us!



How to apply

Application deadline: January 25th, 2022

To apply, please submit the application form and your transcript of records to soc-internat@uni-due.de.

Spaces and Funding are limited. You will possibly be required to submit further documents for the selection process.

Please note: Due to the novelty of this teaching concept, the organisers will host an online session on January 19th 2022. The link and time will be made available on the following website one week prior to the meeting.
https://www.uni-due.de/soziologie/internationales_bapplus.php

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Inequality in Europe and beyond

ERASMUS BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMME (BIP)

Maynooth University, Ireland

University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany

April – June 2022

About

Maynooth University and the University of Duisburg-Essen are launching a brand-new teaching format within the framework of Erasmus+. Dr. Brian Conway (Maynooth University) and Dr. Jenny Preunkert (University of Duisburg-Essen) will jointly offer a set of blended learning seminars in Ireland, Germany and online. The seminar set will be taught completely in English and consists of two parts: Part a will take place at Maynooth University, part b will be hosted at the University of Duisburg Essen. Participants of both parts will meet in remote sessions.

In-class teaching in Maynooth (part a)

Social inequalities in a Global Age: Comparing Germany and Ireland (part a, Maynooth University)

The Maynooth seminar focuses on introducing students to Irish culture/politics/society over the last 50 or so years and framing this in comparison with the German context. The school will involve a mix of in-person teaching, fieldtrips (e.g., walking tour of Dublin, tour of organic farm) and volunteer social events (e.g., campus tour). Substantive topics covered include health, housing, migration and labour markets, with a special focus on understanding inequalities in comparative and international perspective. Classes will involve a mix of short lectures and breakout groups, where students will have the opportunity to discuss the application of theoretical material to empirical case studies. Students will also participate in the normal schedule of lectures on campus with Maynooth University students on a range of topics including structures of inequality, research methods and EU enlargement. Additionally, students will have ample opportunity for exploring the local context in their own time, as well as to participate in social activities with Maynooth University student societies.



In-class teaching in Duisburg (part b)

Social inequality from national, transnational and global perspectives

For a long time, social inequality was discussed primarily in a national context. However, even when nobody will deny that these national analyses are important, in recent years transnational or global analyses have gained importance in the academic field of social inequality. For instance, the prosperity of European societies can only be explained in the context of the global division of labour and the global economy. Furthermore, through transnational mobility opportunities, new transnational elites have developed that can no longer be classified in national "containers". The seminar will pick up three selected areas of social inequality - economic, political and spatial inequality -, and will analyze them from a comparative, transnational and global perspectives. The seminar combines in-person teaching with topic related fieldtrips in the area of Duisburg and social events. The aim of the seminar is to enable students to develop their understanding of social inequality in a more and more globalized and transnationalized world.

Located in the heart of Europe

Duisburg is "the city of water and fire" with Europe's largest inner harbour and its famous steel production. Duisburg is located in the Ruhr Area, a diverse and vivid metropolitan area.

More than 10% of Duisburg is forest area and with its six large lakes, Duisburg offers plenty opportunities to relax and spend your free time outside.