The Adelphi University School of Social Work is offering a Study Abroad Course, Social Work in Germany (SW555), taught by Dr. Carol Cohen, from June 16 to June 28, 2008. This 3-Credit Elective, Summer Session Course is open to BSW and MSW students who have completed at least 12 credits in social work. Eligible students are invited to enroll, and/or pass along this information to others that may be interested. Social work education programs have their own rules about credit transfer, and it may be possible for students to transfer the 3 credits from this course to their own institution.

The purpose of the course is to acquire an understanding of social work in an international setting and its application to work in one’s own home country. The course takes advantage of the singular educational opportunity to participate in the International Symposium of the Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups in Cologne, Germany, as well as complementary opportunities to work directly with German social workers and institutions to learn more about the professional base of knowledge and skills in this dynamic country. The course is coordinated in conjunction with the Niederrhein University of Applied Sciences and Saarlandstraße University of Applied Sciences, and the German Chapter of the Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups, and international organization. Programs will be conducted in English or translated into English. Language facility in German is not necessary, although welcome.

There will be two pre-trip sessions at Adelphi University in Garden City, New York before departure, with an on-line option for students unable to be on-site. The two week trip abroad (June 16-28) will take place in three regions of Germany: Aachen/Düsseldorf, Cologne and Hamburg. Students will stay with in a combination of venues in Germany, including with host families in Aachen/ Düsseldorf, a retreat center for the AASWG Symposium, and a guesthouse in Hamburg. We will visit social agencies and meet with social workers in the area who are involved in a range of social work activities and fields of practice. As noted, the centerpiece will be active participation in the AASWG Symposium in Cologne.

There will be ample opportunity for sightseeing and exchange with social workers from Germany and all over the world. Ongoing collaboration, as well as presentation at the Symposium may be possible.

For further information, including detailed itinerary, tuition and travel costs, and registration deadlines, please contact Dr. Carol Cohen soon, at 516/877-2237 or at cohen5@adelphi.edu.
Adelphi University School of Social Work  
June, 2008  
SW 555 Study Abroad: Comparative Social Work Practice  
Social Work in Germany

Trip Details:

Dates:
Two preparatory class sessions will be held in June 2008, with an on-line option for those unable to attend on-site. The “in country” portion of the course will take place from June 16 – 28. The final, integrative paper will be due two weeks following return, on July 14, 2008.

Course Credit:
This 3-Credit Elective, Summer Session Course is open to BSW and MSW students who are enrolled/matriculated and have completed at least 12 credits in social work. Students from social work programs other than Adelphi may participate, and are encouraged to contact Dr. Cohen about registration. Social work education programs have their own rules about credit transfer, and it may be possible for students to transfer the 3 credits from this course to their own institution.

Overview of Costs:  Note that current exchange rate = 1.42 US to 1.00 Euro

*Adelphi University School of Social Work Tuition:* (3-credits = $2190.00 @ $730 per credit)  
Some Adelphi University students may be already receive tuition-based financial aid that may be applicable.

*Airfare:* Estimated at $1100.00 (With NYC to Düsseldorf outgoing and Hamburg to NYC returning).  
Students who wish to spend more time in Europe and/or who are not traveling from NYC are expected to make independent airfare arrangements. All students are expected to arrive in Aachen/Düsseldorf June 16 and depart Hamburg June 28.

*In-Germany Costs:* Approximately $1700.00 (6/16-6/28/08, including all lodging, some meals, symposium registration, activities and all travel within Germany, including stays in Aachen/Düsseldorf, Cologne and Hamburg).

Registration and Deadlines:
Students are asked to contact Dr. Cohen as soon as possible to indicate their interest, and will register for SW 555 for the Summer 2008 Semester at the Adelphi University School of Social Work.  
The deposit and payment schedule is as follows:  
March 1, 2008:  $500.00 Deposit  
April 1, 2008:  $2500.00 Payment  
May 1, 2008:  Balance  
(Note: This payment schedule assumes group airfare from NYC to Germany.)

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June 2008 – Tentative Schedule

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- Preparatory Class 1: 5:30 – 7:30 PM in Garden City, NY
- Preparatory Class 2: 5:30 – 7:30 PM in Garden City, NY
- Arrival in Düsseldorf
- Welcome and City Visit
- Düsseldorf/Aachen Visit to Niederrhein University of Applied Sciences - Student exchange
- Düsseldorf/Aachen Social Institution Visit
- Travel to Cologne by Train
- AASWG Symposium (Preliminary Schedule Attached)
- Follow-up University Visit and Farewell Event
- Free Time

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Thursday, June 19:
8:30am – 9:30 am  -  Breakfast
9:30am – 1:00 pm  -  Board / Committee meetings
2:00 pm  -  Welcome from the German chapter / Introduction of outstitutes
2:30 pm - 6:00 pm OUTSTITUTES in Cologne:
   -  Don Bosco Club (Youth Center)
   -  Kindernöte e.V. (Child Welfare Agency)
   -  Bürgerzentrum Chorweiler (Neighborhood Center)
   -  Rafaelshaus (Center for Family and Youth)
7:00 pm  Official Welcome
   Dinner
8:00 pm – 9:00 pm  Opening Plenary with Monika Lambrecht, Karin Genius (both German group workers), Allison Johnson and Greg Tully
9:00 pm - 9:30 pm  Music played by a German Jazz Combo & Mask Performance

Friday, June 20:
7:30 am – 8:00 am  Primary Gathering
8:30 am – 9:15 am  Breakfast
9:15 am Welcome and Introduction of Dine-Arounds and of Workshop Contents
9:30 am – 11:00 am First block of 10 workshops
11:00am – 11:15 am  Coffee Break
11:15 am – 12:45 pm Second block of 10 workshops
1:00 pm  Lunch
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm AASWG Membership Meeting
3:00 pm – 6:00 pm Third block of 10 workshops
7:00 pm  Dine-Around

Saturday, June 21:
8:30 am – 9:30 am  Breakfast
9:30 am – 12:30 pm  Welcome and Introduction of tours for the afternoon
   Plenary “The German Way of Group Work”
   (prepared by German chapter members at the membership conference in Dec. 07)
12:30 – 1:30 pm  Lunch
2:30 pm – 6:30 pm “Culture Tours” (discovering cultural highlights in guided groups of participants)
7:00 pm  Dinner
8:00 pm – 9:30 pm “Group Work on Stage” – group work cabaret
9:30 pm - 9:30 pm  Party Time and Dance

Sunday, June 22:
8:30 am – 9:30 am  Breakfast
9:30 am – 12:30 pm  Paper (Af)Fair – Paper and Poster Presentations
12:30 pm  Closing plenary and Evaluation
1:30 pm  Lunch

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