The School of Social Work at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale will offer a unique Study Abroad course from May 13th to May 24, 2008. The course will take place in Munich, Germany, and surrounding areas.

This course will examine the increasingly important connection of human rights to social work, from both European and US perspectives. Field visits and seminars will focus on both political and social human rights, including democratic concepts of human rights.

Social work today is challenging and dynamic, with human rights playing a key role in developing policies and practices. The course is ideal for any undergraduate or graduate student or professional interested in learning about different approaches to social problems within a human rights context.

The estimated program fee for the course is $2,000, not including airfare. The program fee includes all necessary transportation relating to the course within Germany, accommodation, and some meals. Tuition is additional to the program fee, with three hours of course credit costing about $750 at current tuition rates.

Dr. Elisabeth Reichert, Professor at SIUC and native of Germany, will be conducting the course. Dr. Reichert has published extensively on social work and human rights. One of her books, Understanding Human Rights: An Exercise Book, will serve as a textbook for the course.

This course is also available for students outside of social work.

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