COME TO THE IPW -
GOOD REASONS

During the International Project Week (IPW) in Nordhausen you will have the great opportunity …

… to choose your own interesting project,
… to teach students in a different cultural and academic context,
… to meet colleagues from countries all over the world,
… to attend an interesting socio-cultural programme and and get to know Nordhausen and its surroundings

… and to make a significant contribution to international understanding!
“The IPW is one of the best organized events and something I wish we could take elsewhere to other countries. It provides a very unique opportunity for students.”

*Hellmuth Weich, UK*

“Anyone that gets an opportunity to come and spend the week here in Nordhausen – be that as a lecturer or as a student – should grab the chance without any doubts. It’s literally life-changing.”

*Michael Daly, Ireland*

“Since I arrived here, I was made more than welcome by everybody. I had full support in my project and I got in touch with my amazing students. It’s a moment to share knowledge and also learn many things from your culture.”

*Thaísa Oliveira Santana, Brazil*

“This is my 6th time at the IPW. Every year it’s such a wonderful experience to be able to talk to the students about my experience in social work. I find it a really rewarding thing to do.”

*Sue Blythe, UK*

“For me it’s coming back every year to a big family.”

*Corinna Casi, Finland*
The IPW takes place every year in the spring semester. We invite lecturers from partner universities and institutions all over the world to visit the University of Applied Sciences Nordhausen and spend one week working on a project with our students from the faculties of Engineering and Economic and Social Sciences.

The lecturers work with small groups of approximately 20 students which provides a good working atmosphere. The teaching language is English. For our students it is a great opportunity to improve their English skills and gain intercultural experience, especially for those students who cannot go for a longer stay abroad as part of their studies.

The project topic can vary from social work, social or health care studies, business studies, cultural studies, informatics, environmental engineering to interdisciplinary workshops. We recommend making two project proposals. A commission of representatives from all departments will select one of the proposals in early February.

The project work with the students takes place during the mornings. In the afternoons and evenings you can participate in various socio-cultural activities.
Here you can see how a day is usually structured:

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| 14:00 – 17:00 | **Students:** *Independent Group Work*  
**Lecturers:** *Socio-Cultural Activities* or *Free Time* |
| Evening  | **Dinner**                                   |

The major event of the week is the presentation session on Friday where the students present their project results.
In the Heart of Germany - Discover Nordhausen

Nordhausen is situated in the heart of Germany and in the centre of Europe. It is a charming town surrounded by nature and its history started more than 1000 years ago. The mix of old and new is typical for Nordhausen.

Nordhausen is probably not a place that comes to mind when thinking about Germany, but after attending the International Project Week you will connect this peaceful town with new experiences, open-minded people and a lot of stories to tell back home! Over the last number of years many new friendships and networks have come into existence because of these annual meetings in Nordhausen.

Not far from the town you can find the Harz national park – one of the largest forest parks in Germany.
The application process is easy and funding is supported by Erasmus+.

- Let us know if you are interested by e-mail.
- During the autumn semester, you will receive an e-mail with a link to the online application form. We will guide you through all further steps.
- In addition to that, lecturers from Erasmus+ partner institutions are asked to contact their International Offices in order to get Erasmus+ funding for their participation in the IPW.
- Self-employed lecturers, consultants or company employees from countries participating in the Erasmus+ programme can get financed by Erasmus+ funding that our university has acquired for this purpose.
- Participants from countries that do not participate in the Erasmus+ programme can receive funding directly from the University of Applied Sciences Nordhausen.
If you would like to participate in our IPW or if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us!

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