

COMPETENCES OF A MASTER OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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1. Expertise in the social field

- Master of Social Services is able to critically analyze social and global changes and anticipate their social effects in the life course of citizens.
- Master of Social Services is able to plan, manage and evaluate client processes and evaluate their effects, as well as the client- and social impact
- Master of Social Services masters the concepts, knowledge base and key working methods that correspond to expertise in the field of social services, and actively evaluates and maintains their competence
- Master of Social Services works independently in demanding expert positions and promotes multi-functional co-operation as a social services expert
- Master of Social Services is able to create national and international co-operation networks and promote their operations
- Master of Social Services is able to extensively evaluate the phenomena related to the digitalization of society, and is able to utilize the opportunities of digitalization

2. Management competence

- Master of Social Services knows how to promote and develop strategy and quality work
- Master of Social Services is able to anticipate and monitor the economy and make sustainable, forward-looking solutions
- Master of Social Services is able to further human resource management processes for the development of the field
- Master of Social Services is able to develop and lead the operations and multi-professional co-operation of the work community, and promote well-being at work in co-operation with the multi-functional community

- Master of Social Services is able to lead competence, the development of working practices in the social sector, as well as the design of services in complex and unpredictable operating environments and networks

3. Research Development Skills

- Master of Social Services is able to critically assess the development needs of society and working life, and is able to solve them in accordance with ethical principles
- Master of Social Services masters the methods of RDI-activities and is able to develop work in the social field by analyzing the present and anticipating the future
- Master of Social Services is able to develop their operations and social sector practices based on up-to-date research, in a client-oriented manner, utilizing co-development
- Master of Social Services is able to innovate, prepare and lead projects and evaluate their process and effectiveness