Course contents

Philosophy, Arts and Social Entrepreneurship
The Bachelor degree programme Philosophy, Arts and Social Entrepreneurship is a unique interdisciplinary programme that combines philosophical, ethical and aesthetic learning with social entrepreneurship. Students follow a contemporary Liberal Arts curriculum that enables a deep engagement with underlying human questions, and along side this, they develop their own practical initiatives and applications in their own field of interest. This could be, for example, in economics, social entrepreneurship, social activism or professional and personal development.

The programme promotes conscious and responsible entrepreneurial initiative taking within a wide field of practical application, it fosters the capacity to develop creative, ethical solutions based on deep enquiry into the complexities of being human.

More than a degree
The programme PH.A.S.E gives students the opportunity to gain experience in three different subject-related areas:
— Reflective and contemplative skills through philosophical enquiry
— An aesthetic approach through arts-based practice
— Practical skills for social innovation through social entrepreneurship.

In each area, students design and develop their own practical projects in a way that relates to their own fields of interest and practice. They are given individualised support and mentoring for this throughout the design and realisation process.

Particularities

Dare everything!
How can we handle the complex challenges of the present without losing focus? How can we rethink the obsolete solutions of the past in creative, ethical and practical ways? Philosophy and arts nurture holistic thinking and action, and an interdisciplinary approach can help to show the underlying connections between seemingly diverse phenomena.

Educate yourself!
Do you expect your studies to not only impart knowledge and prepare you for your career, but also to enhance your individual capacity to develop and educate yourself? The B.A. programme PH.A.S.E gives you the opportunity to explore your personal interests and to deepen and expand them. Due to the diversity of course options you can set an individual focus for your studies. Special mentoring programs support you and your fellow students during your course of education and help you to reflect on your educational experience.

Engage yourself!
Do you feel the need to have a positive impact on our society and to be creatively fulfilled at the same time? The course programme encourages you to actively contribute to social and political issues out of your own capacity for creative thinking and insight. It stimulates new approaches to current issues and challenges conventional thinking in areas such as globalisation, diversity, sustainability, policy development and social entrepreneurship.

Delivery

Full time and part time options
The programme is a full-time course at Alanus University. On individual request it can also be provided as a part-time course. Both options are possible due to the wide range of delivery options at the University, which include lectures, ongoing seminars, short seminars, weekend seminars and project work.

Period of study
The standard period of study for the full-time course is 6 semesters.

Certification
On completion of the final bachelor’s thesis, students are awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts (B. A.). This gives access to Master’s programmes at German and international universities and to Alanus University’s Master’s programmes (e.g. M. A. Vocational Education and Adult Education, M. A. Pedagogical Practical Research, M. A. Business Administration, M. A. Philosophy of Social Innovation or M. A. courses in the Art Departments). The admission requirements of the respective programmes apply.

Vocational fields
The programme PH.A.S.E enables you to work in a variety of social, cultural and arts-related professions. This includes educational research and funding, political organisations, NGO’s, social institutions, public relations, journalism and media, publishing, the arts sector, public administration and business. Further vocational specialisation is provided by completing a Master’s programme.
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Admission process

Requirements
The following requirements qualify you to enroll in the PH.A.S.E programme:
— A generally higher education entrance qualification,
— Under certain conditions entrance qualification for studies at universities of applied sciences or qualifications recognized as equivalent are acceptable.

Students can request to validate relevant additional academic achievements. The verification of this is decided individually.

Start of the study and admission process
The B.A. programme generally begins in the Autumn semester every year. Late entry may be possible after personal consultation. Please find the application form on our website:

www.alanus.edu/bewerben
The application should include the following:
CV with a passport picture, letter stating reasons for wanting to join the course, certified copies of all diplomas and certificates (in the case of foreign certificates, a legally certified German translation must be provided), health insurance certificate

Prior to the admission you will be interviewed personally.

Tuition Fees
There are monthly fees for the course programme, enrollment and local public transport. For more information please contact the secretary’s office.

An overview of Alanus University’s current tuition fees can be found at

www.alanus.edu/gebuehren

The Student Administration Office can also provide information about student loans, regular loans and/or scholarships. Please contact Véronique Chalvet: Tel. +49 (0) 22 22 . 93 21 - 17 41; veronique.chalvet@alanus.edu

Course structure

Philosophy
12 CP Introduction to Techniques of Philosophical Work
12 CP Cognition, Humanity and the World
12 CP Ethics and Spirituality
12 CP Philosophy Project

Arts
12 CP Introduction to Basics of Artistic Practice
12 CP Art and Society
12 CP Discovering and Understanding Art
12 CP Arts Project

Society
9 CP Introduction to Social Sciences
9 CP Society Moving Forward
9 CP Social Innovation
9 CP Social Entrepreneurship
12 CP Social Entrepreneurship Project

Integration and specialization
6 CP Combined studies
15 CP Specialization
15 CP Bachelor’s Thesis

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Alanus University of Arts and Social Sciences is a state-approved private University of Arts and Social Sciences. It is a centre for arts-based education and academic research. The University offers a wide range of courses in the arts, education and social sciences. Since January 2003, Alanus University has offered fully recognised and accredited arts degrees, and since January 2006, has offered fully state recognised academic degrees. In May 2010 the University was awarded institutional accreditation by the German Scientific Council and was assigned the right to award doctorates.

At Alanus University the student journey is seen as more than simply a path to a professional qualification – it is an opportunity for personal growth and development.

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