

## **Erasmus Intensive Programme (IP)**

### **"Summer School on Democracy: innovation and change in the private and public sectors"**

The Department of International Relations and American Studies of the Faculty of European Studies invites students to apply for the Erasmus Intensive Programme (IP) "Summer School on Democracy: innovation and change in the private and public sectors".

Wroclaw, Poland

June 22nd -July 6th, 2014

#### **Overview:**

Erasmus Intensive Program (IP) "Summerschool of Democracy" innovation and change in the private and public sectors is a second edition of a three year project which will be held in June 2014 in Wrocław, Poland. As the project is a logical continuation of the first edition of the (IP) "Summerschool of Democracy" How old and new democracies cope with the economic crisis, all the gathered information and the conclusions that were drawn during the first edition of the IP will be used during the second edition. While the first edition of the IP was aimed at measuring the ways in which private companies and public institutions were adapting to the changing economic environment and adapting strategies which were aimed at assuring survival during the economic crisis, the second edition will mostly focus on more strategic planning and future development that will increase the flexibility, competitiveness and allow for a more sustainable development of public administration. The nature, methods of implementation and strategies of the public and private sectors in different European states and in Poland will thus be the most important focus of the second edition of the IP.

**The main objectives** of the second edition of the Intensive program are therefore as follows:

Provide the necessary theoretical background for the participants of the IP.  
lectures presented by representatives of different partner universities and experts will be held during the first week of the IP. The lectures will provide the theoretical framework and background information for the discussion panels and the field research that will be undertaken by the students during the second week of the IP.

Provide the opportunity to exchange ideas and work with experts.  
Introduction of discussion panels on which students under the supervision of experts will work on a joint document that will be used as an informative guide and will consist of data, facts and strategies considering the reforms in public administration, will be a vital part of the program which will be used by the students while conducting the field research.

With cooperation with partner companies and under the supervision of experts give the students an opportunity of conducting field research  
Field research which will be done under the supervision of experts and partners like PWC, HP, Urząd Miasta (The representative of local communities) is aimed at gathering data concerning adaptation strategies of representatives of the public and private sectors.

### **Who Can Apply?**

Students doing their BA and Master's degree (or equivalent) in the following areas of study: social sciences, political science, international relations, European studies, regional studies, sociology, economics.

Fluency in both written and spoken English is required!

### **Selection Criteria:**

The selection of the students will be based on the assessment of their letters of motivation (up to 2 pages). The letters, supplied by the candidates via e-mail (contact addresses below), will be assessed independently by two representatives of the consortium, both in terms of content and form. It will prove students interest in the topic and motivation to participate in the project and help to assess candidates language competences. Afterwards selected candidates will be invited for an individual interview. Only candidates who receive two positive opinions and successfully pass the interview will be enrolled.

### **Deadline for Submitting Proposals:**

March 24th, 2014.

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