



**Information about nursing internships
in the B.A. programme in Gerontology, Health and Care**

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Dear Sir or Madam,

the range of courses offered at the Institute of Gerontology includes the Gerontology, Health and Care programme, which can be studied as a Bachelor's degree programme leading to a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree and, building on this, as a Master's degree programme leading to a Master of Education (M.Ed.) degree. All information on this can be found [here](#).

The (teaching-related) Bachelor's programme comprises two subject areas, i.e. Gerontology, Health and Care and a general second subject, their subject didactics and educational science studies. The Bachelor's programme includes interdisciplinary, subject-specific and methodological examination of the disciplines of gerontology, nursing science, ethics, geriatrics and (geronto-)psychiatry, as well as health promotion, prevention and rehabilitation and related disciplines. Against the backdrop of legal, social and health policy frameworks and developments, the programme therefore deals with the fields of gerontology and the professional field of rehabilitative, curative and palliative care, support and assistance for people in need of care and people with chronic illnesses in different stages of life.

In order to ensure a continuous transfer of theory and practice, the B.A. programme includes a total of six nursing internships (useful professional practice) in various nursing fields, which students complete during the semester breaks. The semester breaks last from the end of February to mid-April and from the end of July to mid-October of each year. The internships are to be completed full-time in the field of direct nursing/care for at least four consecutive weeks and conclude with a written assignment.

The aim of these internships is to enable students to get to know and understand the diverse and demanding field of nursing. During the internships, students should acquire practical knowledge and skills and gain an impression of the respective nursing facility, its procedures and processes. The performance of medical-related nursing is not part of the internship.

For the nursing internships to run smoothly, it would be great if students could get some guidance so they can ask questions, share their wishes, and get the info they need. Also, we'd appreciate it if you could provide the necessary work clothes. By accepting the nursing internship, the student agrees to follow the instructions of the person in charge and to carry out the assigned tasks carefully. Furthermore, the student is obligated to comply with the applicable regulations and to maintain confidentiality regarding the knowledge acquired in connection with the activity about persons (patients, residents, employees, etc.) and factual processes (diagnoses, examination results, etc.).

The internship is not supervised on site by the Institute of Gerontology. However, any questions can be clarified with the programme coordinator, Mr Lester Gerdung, by telephone on 06221/ 548189 or by email (see above).

For the internship, we ask you to fill out the [contract](#). A [template form](#) is available to certify that the internship has been completed in full. Both documents will be provided to you by the student or are available on the Institute of Gerontology website. We thank you very much for your cooperation and wish you a pleasant and rewarding experience working with the students of the Institute of Gerontology.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Lester Gerdung