

Title and Code of Course: **The Social Impacts of Dementia**

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Credit Point Value: 6	Number of Lessons per Week: 2	Type of Course: Seminar X Lecture <input type="checkbox"/>	Method of Evaluation: Examination <input type="checkbox"/> In-Class Group Presentation X Other
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Course Description:

There is no question dementia is a growing challenge for our societies. The course will show students the practical meaning of Interprofessionalism and the complexity of in Dementia Care. The course also aims to raise attention to the hidden world of informal caregivers. All experts dealing with a dementia patient must see the relatives behind and help them consciously, otherwise our societies will be faced with an escalating crisis, due to the increasing prevalence of the disease.

We are going to create an interactive environment, where different disciplines will be presented with their relevant approaches. Students will learn the theoretical background first, then they will be required to cooperate with each other in different group projects.

At the conclusion of the course, students who participated and fulfilled the minimum requirements of the program will have developed a broader understanding of Dementia, beyond their own disciplines.

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