

Workshop proposal

“The relation role in cooperation to knowledge production in Social Work. The Luso-Brazilian student experience in the University Institute of Lisbon PhD Social Work Programme”

Language: English and French

Conference theme: Prospects, methodology, research and innovatory practice in social work education

Description of the content

Presenting an example developed by the University Institute of Lisbon (ISCTE-IUL) PhD Programme in Social Work in creating a core of study.

The Latin American PhD Students Core (NUDLA) aims to share and product scientific knowledge about contemporary social problems; qualify the academic production in Social Work sharing scientific production and amplifying student training in PhD level of study, strengthen and encourage academic discourse in the field of the knowledge production. NUDLA works predominantly with comparative studies between American and European countries, promoting concomitantly the incentive toward a research and cooperative attitude among its members. More importantly, in short term, it became a reference to embracement to new PhD students, encouraging the reciprocity relationships and collective work which interfere directly in the member's personal welfare. It result in sharing knowledge through debates, boost up the reflection and scientific growth in group with the support of methodologies adopted during the meetings which have the participation of international researchers.

The workshop proposal aims to demonstrate an example of how a “School of Social Work” shall provide/encourage the creation of a space congregating different elements to the life experience process of students from distinct realities focusing a common goal, the conclusion of the PhD studies, using the means of a student core stimulating scientific participation with the knowledge production and publication in journals, reviews and international scientific meetings.

Summary of presentation

1st part: Using an expositive methodology with the NUDLA presentation: aims, research lines, meeting methodologies.

2nd part: Using an expositive methodology with the demonstration of some results reached: partnerships, scientific publications, experience reports of some of the members, invitation to formation of new partnerships.

3rd part: Interaction dynamic with the audience using a theatrical technique. The technique consists in take off the audience of its comfort zone due the participants realize that a new situation can be a benefit instead of an uncomfortable situation and how people can deal with.

Necessary equipment: Power point projector and sound system.