

Guidelines for schools and other educational institutions in the professional training internship

After the teacher education students have successfully completed the orientation and introduction internship, the integrated semester internship (special education students complete an additional block internship in their 2nd teaching subject), they attend the professional training internship, called "Professionalisierungspraktikum" (PP).

The focus of this internship is on inquiry-based learning: Based on the experiences and insights to date, the interns select their own individual topics. Students share and reflect upon their personal school internship experiences in the light of systematic aspects and theoretical guidelines. The inquiry-based approach of the students to their chosen field of work has a positive effect on their abilities to deal with the demands and issues in their daily lives as teachers.

The content of the PP is determined in cooperation with the participating school/ educational institution in accordance with the qualification level of the student. The PP will be monitored by the college/university. The pedagogic question to be considered, the time frame as well as the deadline and scope of the academic paper are to be arranged and determined by the student with his/her PH-lecturer. However, the lecturer CAN NOT be present at the educational institution itself.

Organisation:

- ✓ The scope of the PP usually takes the form of a three week full-time internship (15 days; 6 hrs/day). Separate dates are also possible in exceptional cases.
- ✓ In the course of the PP the educational institution provides the students with access to the field of pedagogical work and advises them on subject-specific questions.
- ✓ Neither the performance of the students nor of the supervisory staff from the educational institution are remunerated.
- ✓ The students do not have the required status to be perform activities independently. Responsible people from the educational institution are authorised to issue directives. The students are required to arrange their own insurance cover (especially if abroad).
- ✓ To register for the PP at the office responsible for internships at the Pädagogische Hochschule in Heidelberg, students must provide the confirmation of the internship position at the educational institution.
- ✓ The successful completion of the PP will be confirmed on the internship documentation for school-based experience and studies (Sammelschein) by the institution as well as by the supervising PH-lecturer.

More information for

www.ph-heidelberg.de/professionalisierungspraktikum

The office responsible for internships greatly appreciates your offer of a position at your school for the PP and is happy to answer any questions you may have.

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