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Migration Academy -

The platform for improving the competencies of staff working for the integration of refugees and migrants

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What is a Migration Consortium?

- The Consortium includes 9 social organizations working on behalf of migrants and refugees.
- The Consortium has been working since 2017 on behalf of refugees, migrants in Poland and shares common values connected by a vision of how Poland and a Europe co-created by migrants and refugees should look like.
- It was established in order to share knowledge and resources with each other and become more effective. Activities of member organizations include providing legal consultations, psychological or professional counseling, as well as Polish language courses. They also include informational and integration activities. The consortium monitors the social and political situation, and also conducts its own research. Moreover, prepares strategic and advocacy program documents.





Organizations included in the consortium



















Main activities of the Migration Consortium:

MIGRATION ACADEMY

A comprehensive online platform for acquire knowledge and competence in the field of migration and integration for local governments and social organizations. The platform includes educational and expert materials on integration of migrants and refugees in Poland, especially at the local level.

FORUM FOR COOPERATION AND INTEGRATION

Meetings organized within the framework of the Forum are intended to strengthen cooperation between organizations working in the field of migration and exchange of good practices in this area. More than 30 organizations from all over Poland participate in the meetings.

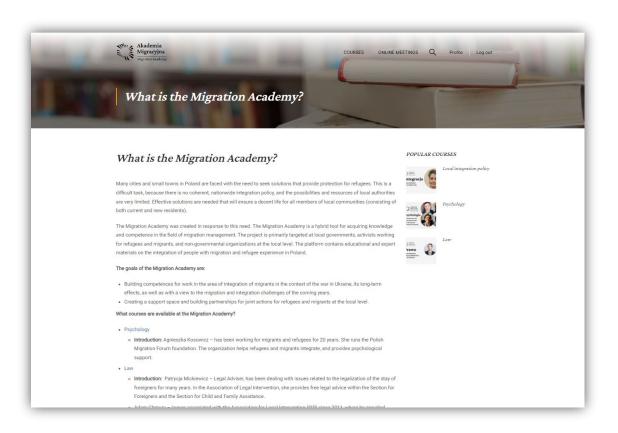
LOCAL INTEGRATION POLICIES

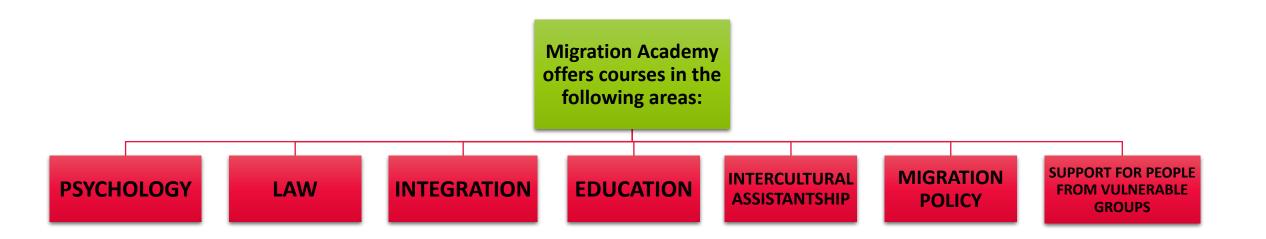
MC encourage active and cross-sectoral involvement of local communities in social processes resulting from migration. The Consortium creates the **draft for local inclusion policies**, provides specific instructions on the process of creating, implementing and monitoring policies that integrate migrants and refugees into the local communities.

Migration Academy - is an online platform for sharing knowledge and competencies in the field of migration management. The beneficiaries of the project are mainly <u>local governments</u>, <u>activists working on behalf of refugees and migrants</u>, and <u>NGOs at the local level</u>. The platform provides educational and expert materials on the integration of people with migration and refugee experience in Poland.

The goals of the Migration Academy are:

- To build competence to work in the area of integration of migrants in the context of the war in Ukraine, its long-term effects, and with the migration and integration challenges of the next years.
- To create spaces of support and build partnerships for joint action for refugees and migrants at the local level.





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PSYCHOLOGY

Psychology - as part of psychological support, courses are offered on such topics as:

- 1. How emotions, feelings and mental state affect the integration of refugees and migrants in Poland
- 2. Conflict management in cross-cultural communities
- 3. Traumatic experience, types of reactions to traumatic events.
- 4. Neurobiology of trauma and its impact on child functioning.
- 5. Levels of deregulation of the nervous system.
- 6. Self-regulation in therapeutic work.
- 7. Techniques for stabilizing the nervous system, e.g.: working with emotions, breathing exercises, working with the body, resource extraction, therapeutic play, working with imagination, restoring the timeline.

The courses are designed for practitioners working on and with programs for teenagers and their caregivers affected by the war in Ukraine. It may also be useful for program managers to be able to develop and implement quality programs. This module aims to better understand the development of teenagers, focusing on their mental health and psychosocial well-being. The course are run by specialists and experts in psychology who have experience working with migrants and refugees.

Number of lectures: 29 (12 hours)

LAW

The topics of this course are:

- legal solutions to the right of residence in Poland adopted in connection with the war in Ukraine,
- various aspects related to temporary residency, indefinite residency, international protection and special arrangements for Ukrainian citizens,
- relocation of foreigners,
- a "participation charge", applicable since March 1 2023, at collective accommodation points for war refugees from Ukraine,
- minimum standards for child protection,

This course was created in collaboration with *Humanitarian Leadership Academy* (A foundation that has developed a range of learning programmes covering the critical areas in humanitarian response, like public health, humanitarian operations, education in emergencies and child protection – where gaps in skills and resources so often lie.

Number of lectures: 21 (14 hours)



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MIGRATION ACADEMY

INTEGRATION

The following online courses are available within the integration module:

• Social work for migrants and refugees – this course is dedicated to the issue of providing social assistance to foreigners from the perspective of

social work, key laws governing access to social benefits for foreigners, tasks of local government units in providing assistance to foreigners.

• Inclusion policies in large cities – this course concerns integration policies in large cities: New York, Berlin, London and Stockholm as examples.

In addition, it addresses the issue of decentralization of integration policies and the advantages and risks of local integration policies. Moreover,

it indicates who is the leader of integration processes, who finances these activities and the role of community organizations in the integration

process.

• Support for people from Ukraine – this course discusses the issue of the community of people from Ukraine in Poland, emphasizes its diversity due

to their residence status in Poland. In addition, it touches on the educational problems of Ukrainian children in Poland and health care issues.

Moreover, the course draws attention to the importance of cooperation between NGOs and local government authorities.

• Local integration policies - this course presents the purpose, role and importance of creating an integration policy. For the purposes of the course,

a document titled "Outline for Local Integration Policies" was created, which includes specific instructions related to the creation of policies.

Number of lectures: 55 (15 hours)

EDUCATION

Practical tips for supporting students in learning, classroom integration and building a multicultural school, understanding the needs of male and female students from different cultures. The course includes a collection of materials such as lesson plans developed by experienced educators, webinars, textbooks and other useful information.

Topisc:

- Studends from Ukraine challenges, problems
- Tutoring for children involvement of volunteers;
- Education of migrant children

Osoba prowadząca:

• Izabela Czerniejewska – antropolożka kultury, badaczka
niezależna, prezeska Fundacji Centrum Badań Migracyjnych /
Migrant Info Point

Opis:

Kurs otwiera wyklad Izabeli Czerniejewskiej, dzięki któremu
uczestnicy i uczestniczki zdobędą wiedzę i praktyczne wskazówki

FUNKCJE KURSU

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Trwanie
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Przegląd

Migracyjna

Edukacja

Program kursu

Wprowadzenie: Izabela Czerniejewska

Number of lectures: 27 (12 hours)

Number of participants: 85

INTERCULTURAL ASSISTANTSHIP

This training module offers comprehensive preparation in the field of intercultural assistantship, which will enable participants to effectively support refugees and foreigners in Poland. This module discusses key aspects of a caseworker's work and the complex migration process in the context of different groups of migrants and refugees. The course consist of 2 webinars:

- The specifics of the caseworker's work. Characteristics of the migration process of Ukrainians and analysis of refugee demands this topic points out legal, housing, cultural problems faced by refugees upon arrival in Poland
- Support in the first steps of life in Poland the course takes a closer look at the work of caseworkers when supporting people from Ukraine, as well as the values that guide them in their daily work.

Number of lectures: 2 (5 hours)

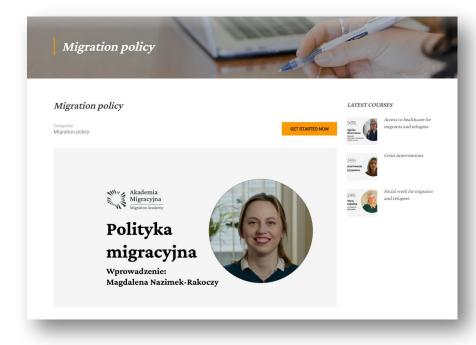
MIGRATION POLICY

This course explain what migration policy is and what the process of its formation should look like, as well as who should participate in this process.

In addition, the course takes a closer look at the need for a migration policy in Poland and its shape and directions. It presents the demands of the Migration Consortium for the creation of a Polish migration policy, pointing out current problem areas and those requiring urgent change. It touches issues of individual security and well-being, as well as the effective integration of the migrant community into the host society. Finally, it explains what global solidarity is, which is the source of the state's responsibilities in migration policy.

Number of lectures: 8 (1 hour)

Number of participants: 48



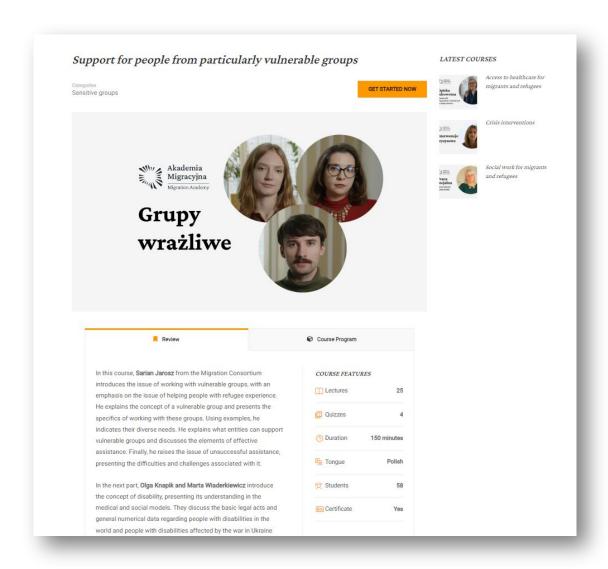
SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE FROM VULNERABLE GROUPS

This course discusses:

- how to work with vulnerable groups,
- what entities and institutions can support vulnerable groups,
- the elements of effective assistance,
- concept of disability,
- basic legal acts and general figures on people with disabilities around the world and people with disabilities affected by the war in Ukraine and the refugee experience.,
- issue of supporting women and girls with migration and refugee experience, who are a group particularly vulnerable to gender-based violence and discrimination.

Number of lectures: 25 (2 hours)

Number of participants: 58



Time for questions









Thank you!

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