

# UNITE Summer School 2024

Well-Being in the Teaching Profession: International Perspectives

26 – 30 August 2024  
Cologne



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## Learning objectives

The participants of the UNITE Summer School will

- explore various dimensions of well-being in general, and teacher well-being in particular,
- learn how the topic of teacher and student well-being is being discussed and implemented in teacher education programmes in various countries worldwide,
- be encouraged to find ways to increase their own well-being as teachers,
- learn about possible ways to help transform schools into
- happy and motivating environments for everyone,
- engage with other international students and teaching professionals.



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# Preliminary Programme

	MON 26 AUGUST	TUE 27 AUGUST	WED 28 AUGUST	THU 29 AUGUST	FRI 30 AUGUST
<b>Optional Activities</b> 8:00 – 9:00		Yoga (optional)		Walk & Talk (optional)	
<b>Morning Programme</b> 9:00 – 12:00	Arrival & Registration  Interactive Welcome  Morning Lecture <i>You'll be fine! Teacher well-being in a time of change: Case studies from selected African states</i>	Morning Lecture <i>Teacher well-being: What we know and what we don't</i>  Parallel Workshops I	School visits	Education	Check-out  Education: Pitches  Final Round Table
<b>Lunch Break</b> 12:00 – 13:30					
<b>Afternoon Programme</b> 13:30 – 17:00	Panel Discussion <i>Teacher well-being across the globe: Challenges and opportunities</i>  Workshop "Working in intercultural teams"	Parallel Workshops II  Parallel Workshops III	Exchange about School Visits  Info Session "Study and PhD Opportunities at the University of Cologne"	Education	
<b>Evening</b> 5pm or later	Welcome Reception		Evening Activities (by students for students)	Conference Dinner	



## Who can attend?

The Summer School is open to

- **student teachers** of all subjects, enrolled in Bachelor's or Master's degree programmes,
- **doctoral candidates** in the field of educational sciences, and
- **professionals in teacher education**

who study/work **at one of our UNITE, EUniWell or teff partner universities.**

## What funding opportunities are there?

Participating teachers from non-European UNITE partner universities can be supported through the UNITE project. The support covers travel expenses and accommodation for one teaching staff per university.

Participating teachers from European UNITE partner universities can apply for travel grants from the ERASMUS+ teaching staff mobility scheme through their universities.

Additionally, one student from every non-European UNITE partner university can be supported through UNITE and the Cologne Summer School programme.

**For students from European partner universities, we can cover the costs for accommodation (in hostel dorms).**



# Locations

Venue: Tagungsraum  
Seminargebäude  
Universitätsstraße 37

[Maps](#)

Center for Teacher Education  
Immermannstraße 49

[Maps](#)

Mensa  
Zülpicher Str. 70

[Maps](#)

## Hotel & Hostel:

Premier Inn Cologne City Süd Hotel  
Perlengraben 2  
50676 Cologne

[Website](#)

Hostel Köln  
Marsilstein 29  
50676 Cologne

[Website](#)



# Accommodation

**For international students** we have reserved large rooms at the [Hostel Köln](#). The rooms are not mixed by gender and have an occupancy of 4–6 persons. The hostel is centrally located, about 15 minutes by public transport and 25 minutes walking distance from the venue of the Summer School.

1–2 students per partner university are supported through UNITE Cologne or Cologne Summer Schools. This means we cover accommodation for 5 nights from Sunday, 25 August (earliest check-in: 3 PM), until Friday, 30 August (latest check-out: 11 AM). You don't need to make your own reservation, pay in advance or at your arrival.

If you wish to stay longer, you may do so at your expenses.

**For international teachers** we have reserved single rooms at the [Premier Inn Cologne City South](#). The hotel is located in the city near the river Rhine, about 30 minutes by public transport from the venue of the Summer School.

The average rate is 67 Euro per person per night. Breakfast is not included, but can be ordered at a price of 16.90 Euros per person per day. If you wish to book one of the reserved rooms, please send an e-mail to [groups.west@whitbread.com](mailto:groups.west@whitbread.com) by **26 June**, using the subject "Summer School". A credit card is required for booking.

Teaching staff supported through UNITE Cologne will receive a cash lump sum for accommodation during the summer school.

# How can I contribute to the programme of the summer school?



Here's a list of suggested topics for lectures and workshops:

- Facts and figures about teacher (and student) well-being in your country
- Interrelations between teacher and student well-being
- Systemic and multidimensional approaches to well-being at school
- Teachers' job satisfaction
- Implementing well-being in all phases of teacher education
- Social support programmes and their effects on teacher and student well-being
- Well-being in (foreign) language education
- Well-being and educational (in)equity
- Teacher well-being and digitalisation
- Teacher identity and teacher well-being in social media
- Philosophical perspectives on well-being
- Insights from social, political or economical sciences
- Learning in nature / Education outside the classroom
- Democracy education and well-being
- Soul food – increasing well-being at school through nutrition and cooking
- Music, dance, and yoga in the classroom etc.
- ...



## What is our definition of a workshop?

Workshops may be research-based or praxis-oriented. The aim of a workshop is for its participants to acquire new knowledge and discuss a given topic with international peers (= focus on theory), or to learn and apply a new methodology to create something together (= focus on praxis).

Every workshop should include interactive elements such as discussions, group work, or role plays.

## Who can conduct a workshop?

Both lecturers and participating students from one of the UNITE, EUniWell or *teff* partner universities can offer workshops. We encourage collaboration between universities and will be glad to assist you finding partners. A list of partner universities can be found on the respective websites of UNITE Cologne, EUniWell, and *teff* Academy.

## How much time do I have for my workshop?

Workshops should have a duration of 30, 60, 90 or 120 minutes. If you need more time, please let us know.



## What language(s) should I use for my workshop?

To make the workshops accessible to all participants, English will be the main language of instruction.

## Who can I contact for further information?

If you are from a **UNITE** partner university:  
Mr Christian Rabl ([christian.rabl@uni-koeln.de](mailto:christian.rabl@uni-koeln.de))

If you are from a **teff** partner university:  
Team [teff@Cologne](mailto:teff@Cologne) ([teacher-academy@uni-koeln.de](mailto:teacher-academy@uni-koeln.de))

If you are from a **EUniWell** partner university:  
Dr Dorothee Gröger ([dorothee.groeger@uni-koeln.de](mailto:dorothee.groeger@uni-koeln.de))

