EARN YOUR DEGREE, A SALARY AND COACHING EXPERIENCE ALL IN ONE





This is an offer from the Danish Fencing Federation for all student fencers from the European Union

If you are an EU resident you are eligible to study for a **University degree for free** in Denmark. For the right candidates The Danish Fencing Federation will also match you with a **paid coaching position** in a local fencing club, which can qualify you to **receive a Danish government contribution** to your living expenses.

According to The Academic Ranking of World Universities, Denmark has 7 Top Ranked Universities, including in Copenhagen, Aarhus and Aalborg, and Denmark is regularly recognised as amongst the happiest countries in the world. So why not give it a chance?

Candidates applying for this offer should:

- Be looking to begin studying for a Bachelors, Masters or PhD degree within the next year
- Have a minimum of 7 years fencing experience, at any weapon
- Be keen to develop themselves in a coaching role (prior coaching experience is preferable but not required)

There are limited coaching positions available in each location. Candidates will be assessed based on their experience and suitability to the coaching role.

To state your interest in the offer or to ask for further information please write in English to mail@steen-bjerre.dk.

METROPOLITAN COPENHAGEN

THE AREA: Metropolitan Copenhagen surrounds the capital of Denmark. It has about 2.4 million inhabitants. Originally a Viking fishing village founded in the 10th century, Copenhagen became the capital in the early 15th century. Since the turn of the 21st century, it has seen strong urban and cultural development, facilitated by investment in its institutions and infrastructure. The city is the cultural, economic and governmental centre of Denmark. www.kk.dk

THE UNIVERSITIES: With 40,000+ students, the University of Copenhagen (founded 1479) is the largest Danish institution of research and education (<u>www.ku.dk</u>). Metropolitan Copenhagen is also home to Copenhagen Business School (<u>www.cbs.dk</u>), IT University of Copenhagen (<u>www.itu.dk</u>), Roskilde University (<u>www.ruc.dk</u>), and Technical University of Denmark (<u>www.dtu.dk</u>).

THE CLUBS: Metropolitan Copenhagen has close to 20 fencing clubs (www.faegtning.dk).

AARHUS

THE CITY: With a population of 320,000, Aarhus is Denmark's second-largest city. In the past 10 years, it has received 15,000 new residents and created 20,000 new jobs, the majority within the knowledge, service and innovation industries. www.aarhus.dk

THE UNIVERSITY: Established in 1928, Aarhus University has developed into a major Danish university with a strong international reputation across the entire research spectrum. It places a high value on close collaboration with business and industry, and takes pride in its deep involvement in the



development of the society of which it is part. It has 42,000+ students. www.au.dk
THE CLUB: Jysk Academic Fencing Club (JAF) has existed since the 1950s. As the name suggests, the club has always been associated with academia. It is still a university club, but it caters to everyone from playful children and adults to ambitious fencers attending European and World Championships. www.jaf.dk

ODENSE

THE CITY: With a history dating back more than 1,000 years, Odense is one of the oldest cities in Denmark. With 200,000 inhabitants, Odense is the 3rd largest Danish city. The open, modern city of Odense is home to more than 180 higher education programmes, a university hospital and several strong clusters in the fields of robotics, drones, welfare technology and IT. www.odense.dk



THE UNIVERSITY: The University of Southern Denmark welcomed the first students in Odense in 1966, and things have been developing by leaps and bounds ever since. It now has five faculties with 32,000+ students, almost 20% of whom are from abroad, distributed across the main campus and four regional campuses. www.sdu.dk
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AALBORG

THE CITY: Aalborg is the 4th largest city in Denmark. No other Danish city experiences growth at the same rate as Aalborg. In particular, young people are attracted to the city and the university. Aalborg is the capital of the North Denmark region with a total population of 580,000. www.aalborg.dk **THE UNIVERSITY:** Aalborg University has 19,000+ students enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs. All degree programmes and research activities are problem and project-based and have an interdisciplinary focus. Through intense collaboration with public and private sectors, the university

offers degree programmes with a realworld approach and provide world-class research. www.aau.dk



THE CLUB: Aalborg Fencing Club (AAF) was founded in 1931. It is open to anyone interested in fencing, also non-Danes studying or working in the city and the region. The club has room for everyone – no matter if they want to indulge in fencing on exercise level

or participate in competitions. www.aalborgfaegteklub.dk