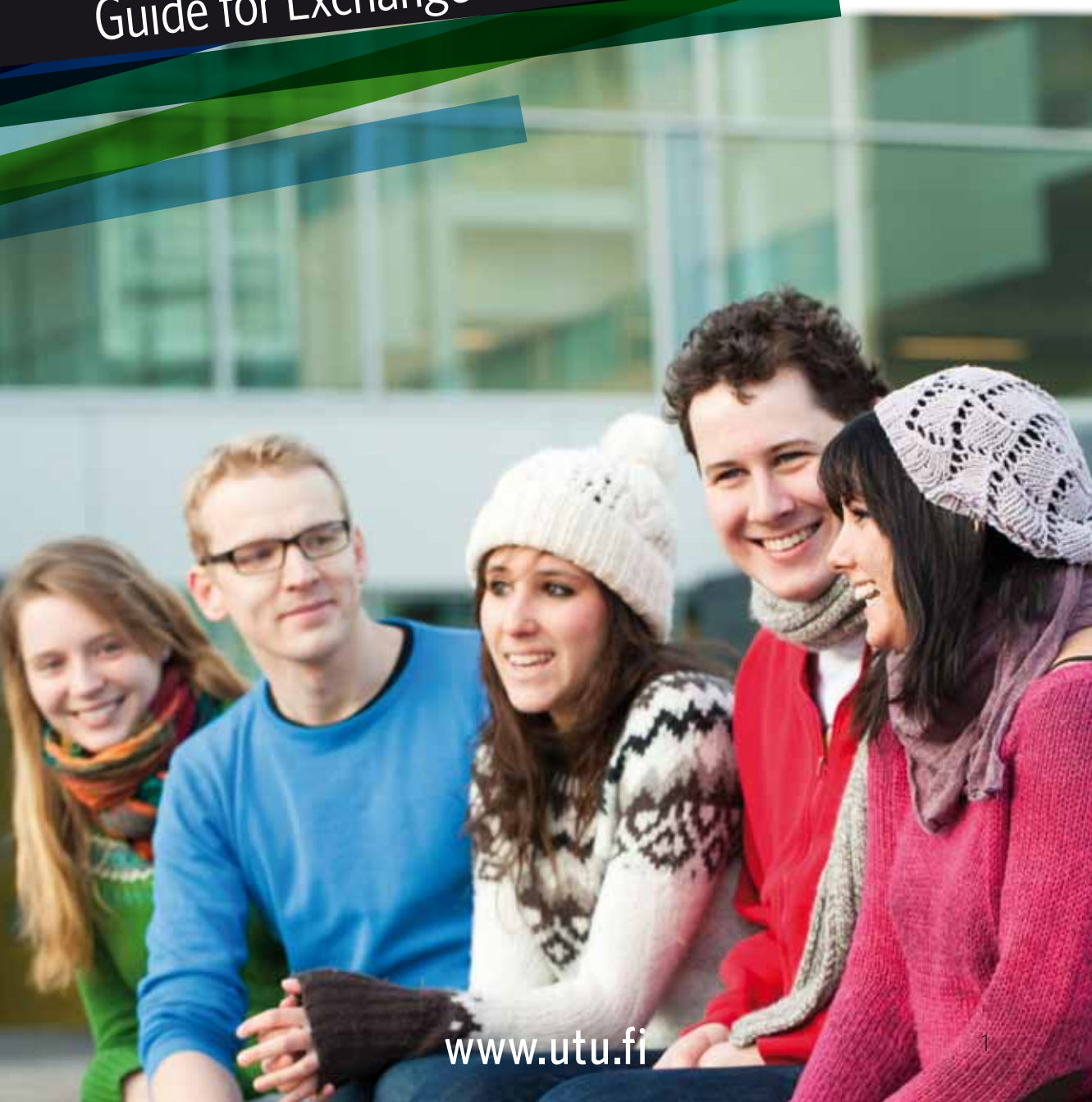




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# Why Choose the University of Turku?



We are delighted that you are considering or choosing the University of Turku as the destination for your exchange period. Here are some good reasons to come to Turku:

The University of Turku is a highly international university, where academic education is based on high quality and often multidisciplinary research.

- We offer more than 300 courses in English
- Exchange students can combine courses from different faculties and departments creating a multidisciplinary study plan to suit individual aims and interests
- Exchange students can take courses from other institutions of higher education in Turku (some restrictions apply)
- Each exchange student will have a personal student tutor helping with practical matters
- Wireless Internet access on campus, computer classes available 24/7
- Excellent libraries and collections
- Marvelous opportunity to study Finnish, Swedish, English or other languages during the exchange
- Student accommodation for exchange students
- Friendly and helpful staff
- Active Student Union
- Great benefits with the Finnish Student Card
- Turku is a friendly city with vibrant student life
- Short distances; it is easy to cycle everywhere

This guide is aimed specifically at students planning to come to the University of Turku as exchange students from our international partner universities and therefore mainly includes information about non-degree studies which do not lead to a degree at the University of Turku.

You will also find important information on practical matters related to the student exchange in Turku.

Please always check our website for updated and more detailed information: [www.utu.fi/en/studying](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying).

If you have any further questions, our staff working with International affairs will be happy to help you. You will find our contact information at the end of this guide.

If you are not eligible for exchange study at the University of Turku, you may be able to participate in some courses as a fee paying **visiting student**. More information at [www.utu.fi/en/studying/studies/visiting.html](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/studies/visiting.html).

The University of Turku also has several English taught Master's degree programmes. If you are interested in completing a Master's degree at the University of Turku, please refer to the Build your future career with us -guide or the University's website on [www.utu.fi/masters](http://www.utu.fi/masters).

*I am very satisfied by studies at University of Turku. I like a lot the way of how lectures are established, especially the ones with presentations and group work. The atmosphere is relaxed and motivational. Teachers are friendly. Quality of everything is in a high level.*

An exchange student 2011-2012

*My experience has been very great. I found many new friends and supportive group to work with. It is important to find relation with local people not only with other exchange students.*

An exchange student 2011-2012

# University of Turku

The University of Turku is a highly international university where education and research are closely intertwined. The university offers academic education based on high quality research and multidisciplinary cooperation.

Over 20,000 students enrol annually in the University of Turku, and each year more than 1,600 international students study at the university. Most of these international students participate in English-taught non-degree programmes, Master's degree programmes or in research projects.

As one of the leading universities in Finland, the University of Turku offers study and research opportunities in seven faculties: Humanities, Mathematics and Natural Sciences, Medicine, Law, Social Sciences, Education, and Economics. Although the main language of instruction is

Finnish, each faculty also offers a wealth of study opportunities in English.

The Royal Academy of Turku, the predecessor of the present university, was founded in the year 1640 as the first university in Finland. The Academy created a strong, dynamic and innovative foundation for the academic tradition which still prevails in the atmosphere of the university. The University of Turku was founded in 1920 as the first entirely Finnish-language university in the country. The university is a member of the Coimbra Group, a network of prestigious universities in Europe, as well as a member of the Baltic Sea Region University Network (BSRUN).

## Programmes in English

The University of Turku focuses on complete programmes or modules taught in English. In the academic year 2012-2013 there are several international non-



degree programmes and over three hundred individual courses taught in English. Detailed information on these programmes can be found later in this guide. The programmes available for exchange students are usually at the Master's level, but several of them are also suitable for Bachelor's degree students. Please note that exchange students may either participate in a complete programme or choose individual courses.

Courses from different modules and faculties (some restrictions apply) can also be combined creating a multidisciplinary study plan to suit individual aims and interests. Exchange students studying in Turku are able to participate in courses from the Åbo Akademi University and Polytechnics in Turku, although some restrictions apply.

Detailed course information is available at [www.utu.fi/en/studying/programmes/nondegree.html](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/programmes/nondegree.html)

**Visiting students** only have the right to study in the programme into which they have been accepted.

## International Summer School

The University of Turku organises an International Summer School. The courses are aimed at university students and graduates, whether they are planning a short study visit or intend to live in Finland. It is an excellent opportunity for an exchange student to learn about the Finnish language and culture before the beginning of the actual exchange.

## Academic Year 2012–2013

### Autumn Semester 2012:

September — December

Orientation Course: 29.—31.8.2012

### Spring Semester 2013:

January — May

Orientation Course: 2.—4.1.2013

Please see the website at [www.utu.fi/exchange/en/studying/students/exchange/arrive/orientation.html](http://www.utu.fi/exchange/en/studying/students/exchange/arrive/orientation.html)

The language of instruction is English and the teaching is fee-based. The programme offers courses related to the Finnish culture and history, including Finnish language study. Teaching will be intensive during daytime, but there will also be a versatile social programme. More information at [www.utu.fi/summerschool](http://www.utu.fi/summerschool).

## How to travel to Turku?

Turku is situated about 160 km west of Helsinki. It can be reached by train, bus or plane. There is an airport in Turku, and bus service from the Helsinki airport is frequent. In addition, Turku can be reached by ferry from Stockholm, Sweden.

# Finland and Turku



Finland is situated in Northern Europe, and it has been a member of the European Union since 1995. The country shares land borders with Sweden to the west, Russia to the east and Norway to the north. Over the course of history, Finland has been under both Swedish and Russian rule. The Finnish culture is a mix of both European and Slavic influences, combined with a unique flavour of its own. It is something one simply has to experience.

## Facts of Finland

- Capital city Helsinki
- Official languages Finnish and Swedish, Sami in the North (English is spoken widely)
- Government Parliamentary Democracy
- Inhabitants 5.4 million
- Currency Euro (€)
- Total area 338,424 sq. km
- Distance from north to south 1,140 km
- Distance from west to east 528 km
- Average temperature in July +16.6 C°  
In February -6.2 C°

The four distinctive seasons give the Finnish nature and lifestyle an ever-changing character. Forests cover three quarters of the country's surface area of 338,000 sq. km. Other outstanding features of the Finnish scenery are some 190,000 lakes and approximately as many islands. Finland is the second northernmost country in the world and has one of the lowest population densities in Europe. A quarter of Finland's territory lies above the Arctic Circle, making the sunny summer nights and dark winter days an unforgettable experience.

## Turku – bilingual gateway to Europe

Turku is the oldest city of Finland. Since its foundation in the late 13<sup>th</sup> Century, Turku has been Finland's main gateway to the West, and the city also acts as a link between western (Stockholm) and eastern (St. Petersburg) cultural influences. It is located on the Southwest coast of Finland at the mouth of the River Aura, where it has maintained contacts with Scandinavia and continental Europe since the medieval times. Turku has over 175,000 inhabitants, and it is officially a bilingual city (Finnish and Swedish). The Swedish name for the city is Åbo. The Finnish name Turku refers to a market-place and the Swedish name Åbo to a dwelling by the river.

Turku offers its inhabitants and visitors a wide selection of services and businesses as well as cultural and sports activities. All year around, the city of Turku hosts several festivals and events. Summer is the season of music fes-

## Finland...

- ... is the 3<sup>rd</sup> most prosperous country in the world (Legatum Prosperity Index (LPI))
- .... is one of the most competitive countries in the world (Global Competitiveness Report)
- ...is one of the most research-intensive countries in the world where national spending on Research & Development totals 3.9 % (Finnish Funding Agency for Technology and Innovation)
- ...is one of the world's biggest science publishers, relative to population and GDP (Academy of Finland)
- ...has one of the best school systems in the world (OECD Programme for International Student Assessment PISA)
- ...is the best country in the world (Newsweek, Oct. 2010)



## Discover Turku

- climb on the hills surrounding the city; find an open-air theatre, an outdoor swimming pool, an old observatory, an art museum and much much more
- one of the best views overlooking the city is from a top of an old landfill site in Peltola neighborhood
- walk along the Aura River to find rapids, sacrificial stones, a hill front and the rich nature that surrounds it all
- hop on a bus and take a two hour tour around Turku, you have several routes to choose from
- find the phrase "Amor vincit omnia" on an old house
- go play with stone giants in Kupittaa park; you can also find football fields, a velodrome, a Finnish baseball field and a bowling alley

tivals. Turku offers a wide variety of events for the friends of electronic, rock, indie or more main stream music. Ruisrock, the oldest annual rock festival of Finland, is organised on the Ruissalo isle in July. In wintertime, Turku is the official Christmas Capital of Finland, and there will be plenty of markets and events organised in December.

The city centre is concentrated around the Market Square and the River Aura. In Turku, everything is easily within reach. The city layout is simple, efficient and easily accessible by bus, bike or on foot. Turku offers excellent travel connections to the rest of the country as well as abroad. The unique Turku archipelago with over 20,000 islands lies just outside the city, making the beautiful en-

vironment easily accessible. For those who like walking, jogging or skiing, Turku offers plenty of hiking and nature trails through its numerous parks and hills.

With a student population of 30,000 studying at different institutions of higher education, Turku is a lively and well-respected university town. Each year over 2,000 international students, teachers and researchers visit the University of Turku. The local student organisations are active in arranging events and activities. The two universities form a unified campus located next to the historical centre of the city, only a short walk from the heart of the city. Student housing is available in various locations around the city.



# The Structure of University Studies in Finland

The Finnish national higher education system follows the principles set in the Europe-wide Bologna Agreement. The degree structure is mainly based on a three-cycle model, except in the field of Medicine. The first cycle ends in a Bachelor-level degree and the second cycle consists of a Master's degree.

Finnish university degrees correspond to the Bachelor's (*kandidaatti*), Master's (*maisteri*) and Doctoral/PhD (*tohtori*) degrees. Most degree students are accepted directly into Master's studies and finish with a Master's degree after 5–6 years of studying.

The degrees usually consist of studies in one main subject and one or more minor subjects. Studies form larger entities at three levels: Basic, Intermediate and Advanced. Bachelor level studies usually consist of Basic and Intermediate level studies while the Master's level includes Advanced studies.

In Finnish, the term *jatko-opiskelija* (postgraduate/graduate) usually refers to doctoral level studies (Licentiate or Doctoral). A Doctoral degree normally requires at least four years of full-time study after a Master's degree. In most fields, studies for Doctoral and Licentiate degrees can be carried out in English.

## Education Statistics in Finland in 2010

According to Statistics Finland, a total of 29,100 university degrees were completed in Finland in 2010. Completed degrees at the doctoral level amounted to 1,500. The number of university degrees increased by 22 per cent compared to the previous year. The increase was due to the university degree revision that encouraged students to complete their degrees. Women completed 58



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per cent of all university degrees. The number of women studying in institutes of higher education has been increasing over the number of men for several decades. In the recent years, however, the numbers have started to equalise. Examined by field of education, the largest numbers of degrees were attained in humanities and natural sciences.

Foreign students completed 1,200 degrees. Foreign students attained the largest numbers of degrees in science and technology and in natural sciences.

Source: Education Statistics.  
Statistics Finland ([www.stat.fi/til/kou\\_en.html](http://www.stat.fi/til/kou_en.html))





# Applying to the University of Turku



## Eligibility

An exchange student is anyone who comes to study at the University of Turku through an exchange programme such as ERASMUS, FIRST, NORDPLUS, ISEP, north2north, North-South-South, Erasmus Mundus or a bilateral agreement between the host and home institutions. Fulbright and CIMO Scholarship holders are also granted exchange student status.

In most cases, the basic requirement for an exchange period is that the applicant is a registered student at an institution of higher education abroad. Some programmes require 2-3 years of studies in the field. All programmes require familiarity with the basic concepts of the disciplines in question. Please note that each programme also has specific prerequisites which are listed in the programme descriptions.

Participants in the programmes taught in English should have a good knowledge of the language. Applicants whose native language is not English have to provide documentation of their knowledge of English when applying.

## How to Apply to the University of Turku?

The University of Turku application form for exchange students is electronic and must be filled in carefully at [www.utu.fi/en/studying/apply/non-degree](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/apply/non-degree).

All application information can be found at: [www.utu.fi/en/studying/apply](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/apply).

Students coming to the University of Turku through an international exchange programme should follow the application procedure of the exchange programme they are participating in. Please check the information concerning the exchange programme you are applying through and note that all students must meet the application requirements and deadlines.

**Learning Agreement** (or a study plan includes the courses you wish to take during your exchange period) is part of the Application Form. Therefore before filling the application form, you should select carefully what you would like to study in Turku.

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### Enclosures for the application:

**1. Transcript of Records** (list of courses you have completed in your home university)

**2. Language Assessment Sheet** or other proof of your language skills (for non-native speakers, if the Transcript of Records does not contain the information concerning the language you plan to study in; English or Finnish)

**3.** Please check with the international coordinator at your home university that they have send to University of Turku a **nomination / official letter of confirmation** that you are an exchange student nominated by your home university.

**All exchange students** should post their enclosures to the International Office: The International Office, University of Turku, FI-20014 TURKU, Finland.

The application will not be processed before all the required enclosures have been submitted. Late or incomplete applications will be rejected.

### Application procedure

It takes a minimum of 3 weeks to process an application after the deadline. Application deadlines can be found in the box in the next page. All completed applications received by the deadline in April/May will be processed in May/June, and students are notified by June/July. Completed applications for the Spring Semester received by the deadline are processed in November, and students are notified in December at the latest. Incomplete appli-

cations cause delays in processing and may result in the rejection of the application or prevent the student from being accepted into some courses.

Our deadlines cannot be extended. It is extremely important that applications arrive in time and are completed so that they can be processed in time.

Applicants should note that personnel are on holiday in July and the International Office is usually closed during the holiday season.

Once a student has been accepted, the Certificate of Admission is sent directly to the student unless otherwise agreed. The certificate is sent together with an Information Package including information on studies, orientation and arrival dates.

### Language proficiency

A good command of the language of instruction is required. All students whose mother tongue is not Finnish or English must enclose proof of their language skills for English or Finnish in their application. You should fill in a Language Assessment Sheet.

When planning to participate in courses from the regular curriculum, exchange students should always check the language of instruction with the Departmental Contact person or teacher.

## Studying at the University of Turku

### Course information

Some course information can be found in this guide, but for more up to date and detailed information please refer to our website at [www.utu.fi/en/studying/programmes](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/programmes). All the faculties have course information on their websites. You can also contact the faculties/departments directly for preliminary course information.

Exchange students wishing to participate in courses that do not belong to the field of the exchange agreement should always check the availability of the courses well in advance. **Note that the Turku School of Economics does not offer courses to students from other faculties.**

### ECTS Learning Agreement

Learning Agreement is part of the Application Form, so you do not have to send it separately. Due to the amount of applications and enclosures we do not automatically send the Learning Agreement back to you. You will receive a signed Learning Agreement after arriving to Turku. If you need it before you arrive to Turku, please tick the relevant box in the Application Form.

The purpose of this preliminary study plan is to inform our departments of your course choices in Turku. When you arrive in Turku, you can make, if necessary, an updated ECTS Learning Agreement which will be signed by our departmental and institutional coordinators. A "Changes to the Learning Agreement"- form has to be filled out during the first four weeks after orientation. A signed Learning Agreement approves the study plan i.e. the courses you wish to take. However, it does not guarantee a place on the course. See "Course registration" for more information.

## Application deadlines

### Studies beginning in Autumn Semester 2012 or Academic Year 2012—2013

for EU/EEA students 31 May, 2012

for non-EU/EEA students 15 April, 2012

### Studies beginning in Spring Semester 2013

for EU/EEA students 1 November 2012

for non-EU/EEA students 15 October 2012

At the University of Turku, each coordinator/teacher responsible for the courses must sign your Learning Agreement. Therefore, if you have chosen courses from several programmes, it will take some time for the document to circulate.

Please save your final Learning Agreement carefully together with the final Transcript of Records because they will be important documents when you discuss the recognition of studies at your home university.

Note that courses are normally arranged either in the Autumn or Spring Semester. Make sure that your Learning Agreement contains courses which are available during your stay in Turku.

Make also sure that you choose enough courses according to the regulations of your home university, because there might be changes in the offered courses e.g. due to cancellation.

### Course registration

If it is mentioned in the course catalogue or in the course description that you should register for the course beforehand, you should do so according to the instructions given, even though you have filled the course in your Learning Agreement. In most cases, however, you register for a course by attending the first lecture. Special registration is usually required for the courses in Turku Law School and in Turku School of Economics.



### Courses from other institutions in Turku

Cooperation with the Åbo Akademi University and Polytechnics in Turku gives incoming exchange students an opportunity to take some of their studies at the other institutions in Turku. If you wish to take courses from Åbo Akademi University, you need to apply separately a right to participate to those courses well in advance; the deadline for courses in Autumn Semester is end of May and for courses during Spring Semester October 15. The Application process for courses in other institutions is described in detail on [www.utu.fi/en/studying/students/exchange/index.html](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/students/exchange/index.html). Please note that some restrictions apply; students must fulfil the prerequisites of the programmes and there must be places available in the courses.

Visiting students will need to fill in a separate ECTS Learning Agreement form, but they should apply for each course beforehand. Please find more information at [www.utu.fi/opiskelu/oppaat/visiting](http://www.utu.fi/opiskelu/oppaat/visiting).

### Credit System

At Finnish universities, 1 credit (opintopiste, abbreviation op) equals 1 ECTS credit. ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) was developed by the European Commission to provide common procedures that guarantee the full transfer of credits for studies abroad towards the final qualification in the home country. ECTS credits are a value allocated to course units and they describe the workload required to complete the course/module. In ECTS, 60 credits represent the workload of one year of fulltime studies, 30 credits per one semester. Exchange students receive ECTS credits for all academic work successfully carried out at any of the two universities in Turku.

### Grading system

Course assessment usually includes lectures, course participation, essay writing, and/or a written examination. Examinations are usually based on lecture notes as well as the required reading indicated in the reading list for the course. Some courses are taught over the entire semester for two hours per week, others are taught for several hours per week over a shorter period of time. Some courses are graded on a pass/fail basis only.

### Exams and assignments are assessed according to the following scale:

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5	A
4	B
3	C
2	D
1	E
0	F/FX

### Transcript of Records

The Transcript of Records lists all the results for completed study units. The most convenient way to verify the results saved in the student register is via NettiOpsu, a virtual study register. Credits are only given if the courses are fully completed and the student has finished all the assignments of the course in question. Incomplete or failed courses will not be registered or shown in the transcript.

If a student is accepted to study at the University of Turku for the whole Academic Year, the student's right to study is valid until 31 July. For the Autumn Semester, the right to study is valid until 31 December. Course grades must be recorded in the student's transcript before this date. Therefore, it is very important that the student finishes all of his or her work before leaving Finland.

### Final Transcript of Records

The official final Transcript of Records will be sent to the student or to the student's home university after the student has left the country. In order to receive the final Transcript of Records, the student must leave a filled student Course Card at International Office. Only completed courses will be shown in the Transcript of Records.

### Exchange Student Course Card

International students will receive an Exchange Student Course Card at the International Office upon registration. The course card is used to record your **completed** courses and grades during your stay in Finland. The processing of your Final Transcript of Records is based upon the infor-

mation in the Course Card and study register. Please fill in your Course Card carefully and completely.

### **NettiOpsu - a virtual study register**

There are a number of services available online at NettiOpsu, such as course and exam registration, change of address, and viewing of personal study register.

### **Wentti - exam results on the Internet**

Wentti is a virtual publishing system where you can search for exam and course grades. Most of the completed grades are published in this system in addition to the notice boards found at the departments.

### **Instructions and regulations concerning courses, examinations and essays**

Most courses are assessed by a written examination at the end of the course. The instructor will notify the students about the examination procedures in question. Exams should be evaluated by the instructor within

two weeks. Essays or other exercises written during the course may also be a part of the assessment.

Each semester of the Academic Year may be divided into two teaching periods with an examination week between the periods (may vary from faculty to faculty). Please check the procedure at your department/programme.

There are certain rules concerning examinations and essays, set out by the University Law and the regulations of individual universities. Violation of these rules is considered a serious offence and will be punished with failure of the course in question, a warning by the Rector, and in serious cases, suspension from the university. The most serious violation is cheating in examinations or plagiarising in an examination or an essay. Any violation against these rules by exchange students will be reported to the student's home university. Before that, however, the student will always be informed of the matter and has the right to be heard. More information can be read on [www.utu.fi/en/studying/studies/regulations/exams.html](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/studies/regulations/exams.html).



# Student Support Services



The University of Turku offers a variety of support services aimed at incoming international students. The orientation courses and the tutoring system are designed to make arrival and settling in as smooth as possible. Study counselling is available for exchange students throughout the duration of their studies at the University of Turku.

## Orientation Course

The Orientation Courses are arranged at the end of August and in the beginning of January. All incoming exchange students coming to study at the University of Turku must begin their studies with an Orientation Course. Therefore, students should always arrive in time for the course. The course includes important information about studying at the University of Turku as well as practical advice that helps students to orientate themselves to the Finnish student life and living in Turku. In case of late arrival, the student will be responsible for finding the information delivered during the orientation. Programme of the Orientation Course will be sent to all exchange students before they arrive in Turku.

*Amazing and unforgettable. Mostly because I knew, that I can always ask for help if I don't understand something, institutional support from University was huge and also flow of information was good.*

An exchange student 2011-2012

Courses usually begin during the week following the orientation, in some fields even earlier; for example, in the Faculty of Medicine studies usually begin already in the beginning of August. Exchange students planning to participate in the courses organised by the Åbo Akademi University or Polytechnics in Turku should check the starting dates of these courses from the websites of the institutions in question.

## Student tutors

All exchange students coming to study at the University of Turku are assigned a personal student tutor. The tutors are Finnish student volunteers trained to help you with practical matters.

Please inform the International Office and your tutor of your arrival day, time and place as soon as possible so that the tutor can make arrangements to meet you upon your arrival. You will be sent a link to a form where you should fill in the arrival information. However, it is not always possible for the tutor to come and meet you on the day of your arrival in Turku.

Moreover, if you do not need or want a tutor, inform the International Office as soon as possible.

### Practical and academic counselling

Practical counselling for international exchange students is available through the faculties, and the International Office. Academic counselling is available at

the departments and some faculties. You can find the contact information at [www.utu.fi/en/studying/contact](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/contact).

## The Student Union of the University of Turku (TYY)

In every Finnish university, there is a Student Union. The role of TYY as a public corporation completely independent of the University of Turku is to represent its members, advance the position of students, and provide them with services.

The membership of a Student Union is compulsory by law for all undergraduate students. It is possible for the exchange students to join a Student Union as well. Unfortunately visiting students cannot join the Student Union.

As a member of the Student Union, you are entitled to a variety of benefits. TYY services for undergraduate students include, for example, basic health care at the Finnish Student Health Service FSHS, the TYY Library, student priced lunches at all the student cafeterias in Finland, and free of charge consultation with a lawyer. As a member of the Student Union, you will receive a 50 % discount on long distance buses and trains and a variety of other discounts in museums, sports arenas and several shops.

Students who have paid the Student Union membership fee will be issued a student card called Lyyra which entitles them to receive the Student Union membership

benefits. To obtain the Lyyra student card, you must pay the Student Union membership fee. The price of the Lyyra card is 16,60 €. The card can be ordered and paid for at [www.lyyra.fi](http://www.lyyra.fi). You need to have your student number and a digital photograph when ordering the card. You will be notified by email or text-message when the card is ready to be collected from the TYY Service Desk. Meanwhile, you can usually receive lunch reductions in student cafeterias by showing your payment receipt.

The Student Union functions as an umbrella organisation for many student clubs, most of which are faculty or subject specific organisations. One of the best ways of meeting Finnish students and getting involved in student life in Finland is joining your subject organisation and taking part in their activities. There are also political and religious student organisations, student nations and cultural organisations. Whether you are into heavy metal music, organically grown food, rowing or photography – there is a whole range of groups to explore.

In order to stay up to date with what goes on in the Student Union and its sub-organisations, join our email list for exchange students in the University of Turku. This list is the best way to get information in English. To join the list, go to <https://lists.utu.fi/mailman/listinfo/tyy-exchangestudents>.

One of the TYY sub-organisations is ESN Uni Turku, a section of the **Erasmus Student Network**, which organises cultural happenings, sports activities, excursions, parties and other events that are mainly aimed at exchange students but are open to all students. For more information, please visit [www.esnuniturku.fi/](http://www.esnuniturku.fi/) and join the ESN mailing list at <https://lists.utu.fi/mailman/listinfo/esnuniturku> as soon as possible!

The Secretariat of the Student Union offers TYY members consultation in academic, social and international affairs. For more information about the Student Union, check out the TYY Guide for International Students, visit [www.tyy.fi](http://www.tyy.fi) or contact the TYY Secretary for International Affairs (tel. +358 2 276 9615, e-mail: [tyy-kvsihteeri@utu.fi](mailto:tyy-kvsihteeri@utu.fi)).

## Student housing

The Student Village Foundation of Turku (TYS, Turun Ylioppilaskyläsäätiö) offers housing for students in Turku, also for exchange students. Please read carefully the instructions for applying as an exchange student at [www.tys.fi/en](http://www.tys.fi/en). The housing application can be filled three months prior to the start of the lease. Note that you can only apply for housing after you have been accepted to study at the University of Turku. Unfortunately, University of Turku cannot guarantee accommodation at TYS. Especially during the Autumn Semester there might not be apartments available for everyone.

The housing options for exchange students are either a room in the Student Hostel or a shared apartment. All exchange students' apartments have basic furniture; standard sized single bed with mattress, desk, chair, bookshelves and wardrobe. See more about the apartments at [www.tys.fi/en](http://www.tys.fi/en).

The rent includes water, electricity and internet connection (The Student Village Network). Monthly rents are shown at TYS's website (rents include a monthly furniture fee of 15 €). Fixed-term leases that are made for under 12 months will have a housing admission fee of 60 €. This will be added to the first rent.

A housing offer is sent 4–6 weeks before your arrival. Please note that the accommodation option you have chosen is only a preference not guaranteed. The accommodation you will receive depends on the apartment availability at that time. When you accept the housing offer the rental agreement is considered being binding.

After accepting the housing offer you will receive instructions on paying a refundable security deposit. The deposit is 250 € / 400 €, depending on the apartment. After the deposit is paid you should send TYS a scanned or faxed copy of the deposit payment receipt. The deposit payment will be returned to your bank account approximately four weeks after moving out, given that the apartment is in good condition and all payments have been paid.

All leases are made for full calendar months; starting on the first day of the month and ending on the last day of the month (regardless of when you move in or out). The tenancy agreement is always made for a whole semester when the lease starts in August, September or January:

- Autumn Semester: from the 1st of August / September to 31<sup>st</sup> of December
- Spring Semester: from the 1st of January till the 31<sup>st</sup> of May

Keys for the student apartments are not available before the first weekday of the rental month after midday. The key is available only during office hours from Monday to Friday; please check the current opening hours at [www.tys.fi/en](http://www.tys.fi/en). Therefore, arrival during weekends and holidays is not recommended as the Housing Office and all other offices will be closed. If, however, you must arrive either during the weekend or late in the evening, you must be prepared to stay in a hostel or a hotel (find one at [www.turkutouring.fi](http://www.turkutouring.fi)). In some cases, your tutor might be able to collect your keys in advance.

## Health care

The Finnish Student Health Service (FSHS/ YTHS in Finnish) provides basic health care at a low cost for the members of the Student Union. Consultations with a general practitioner and laboratory tests are free of charge. A small fee is charged for consultations with specialists and for dental treatment.

It is highly recommended that students have personal health insurance for several reasons. First of all, FSHS is open from Monday to Friday during office hours only. At other times students must rely on municipal or private health care facilities at their own expense. Also, FSHS does NOT cover emergency or hospital treatment, other treatments exceeding basic health care, or treatment during evenings or weekends when the FSHS is closed. In addition, the University of Turku is not responsible for the health care of its exchange students. For more information, please refer to [www.fshs.fi](http://www.fshs.fi).

In urgent, genuine cases of emergency, the official emergency number is 112.

Student health care is not available for visiting students; therefore, they must use the municipal or private health centres and cover the costs themselves.

## Health insurance

**EU/EEA citizens** who have a European Health Insurance Card or an equivalent E-111/E-128 form are entitled to municipal health care at the same prices as Finnish citizens; however, the health care is not completely free of charge.

If a student wants all expenses covered in case of accident or illness, it is advisable to take personal insurance. If you are receiving a scholarship paid by the University of Turku (e.g. bilateral agreement, FIRST Programme), you must have a certificate of valid personal health insurance when you enrol in the university.

**Non-EU/EEA citizens** are required to have valid health insurance before arrival. Health insurance is required when the student exchange lasts for more than three months but less than two years. Foreign students must have a health insurance policy that covers the costs of medical care (up to € 100,000). If the duration of studies is at least two years, it is sufficient that the insurance policy covers pharmaceutical costs (up to € 30,000). The health insurance must be in force upon entry into Finland and the policy must be issued by a reliable and financially sound company or institution. For more information please visit the Finnish Immigration Service at [www.migri.fi](http://www.migri.fi).

## Marsh Student Insurance Program (SIP)

The Marsh Student Insurance Program offers international students voluntary life insurance and householder's comprehensive insurance. SIP offers two separate programs, SIP Integral (for students with no access to FSHS or other) and SIP Compliment (for students with access to FSHS or other). For more information about SIP, visit [www.marsh.be/SIP](http://www.marsh.be/SIP)



*I felt here at home! I will miss your library. Great organization and helpfulness of the University staff wherever I went. I will definitely recommend UTU to all potential exchange students.*

An exchange student 2011-2012

## Library facilities

Turku University Library consists of the Main Library, the Course Book Library, and six discipline-specific libraries. Most of the university library services are free of charge except for interlibrary loans. If books are not returned by due date, a fine will be charged. At the university library, the Lyyra student card issued by the Student Union is used as the library card for borrowing and reserving material. In case you do not have a student card, you can apply for a library card.

You can also use the Åbo Akademi University Libraries, but for these you will need a separate library card. You can apply for the card by signing a registration form at one of the Åbo Akademi University Libraries. For more information, go to [www.abo.fi/student/en/bibliotek](http://www.abo.fi/student/en/bibliotek).

Another possibility for borrowing study material is using the Turku City Library. You can apply for their library card in any of the city libraries. More information at [www.turku.fi/kirjasto](http://www.turku.fi/kirjasto).

## Computer facilities

All students have access to the university computing services with no additional cost. You need a personal user account in order to have access to the computer resources at the university. After enrolling to the university, exchange and visiting students will be able to collect their user account information from the Computing Centre by showing their ID. The Computing Centre and the helpdesk are located at Educarium (Assistentinkatu 5) on the 4th floor. However, there are three other helpdesks around campus.

The university offers computer labs for its students and staff for the purpose of study and study related matters. Computer labs are open 24/7, but a magnetic key is required for access. The key costs € 15; you receive € 10 back when returning the key. When applying for a key, you need to present identification. More information can be found at [www.cc.utu.fi/en](http://www.cc.utu.fi/en).

## SparkNet

Wireless networks are growing in popularity around the university and enable wireless mobility around campus. There are network sockets all around campus which you can use to connect your (notebook) computer to the University network.

## The Exchange mailing list

The International Office has an email list to inform you about academic matters: new courses, changes in courses, seminars, and practical matters related to studies and so on. The International Office will add all accepted exchange students to the list automatically if they have given the permission to do so in their application.

## Language courses and opportunities offered by the Language Centre

**Finnish courses** are offered at the Language Centre of the University of Turku for degree and exchange students who can quite freely study different courses of Finnish for foreigners. There are usually courses available at different levels and also shorter and longer courses according to the level and interests of students. Please note that certain courses require signing up beforehand and there may not be places available for everyone. Finnish Intensive Beginners' courses are available for degree students only.

**Visiting students** please note that Finnish for Foreigners beginners' courses (levels I and II), Intensive Beginners Course and Survival Course are offered for exchange and degree students only. In regard to other language courses, visiting students should apply in advance and pay the fee. Visiting students will be admitted if there are places available in the group.

Exchange students of **the Turku School of Economics** are offered Finnish courses of their own. These courses are provided by the Language and Business Communication Unit of the Turku School of Economics. For further information, please contact the Language and Business Communication Unit ([arhakan@utu.fi](mailto:arhakan@utu.fi)).

*Studying process impressed me with the variety of opportunities for students. Lectures were useful, practical and entertaining. What is more, wide access to different kind of information made self-studying easier. I am grateful to my coordinators in the International office and my personal tutor! This experience was short, but intensive, and left me unforgettable memories!*

An exchange student 2011–2012

There are also other language courses available for exchange students. In many languages the beginners' level courses are taught in Finnish. However, at the more advanced levels the courses are taught in the target language and those with sufficient knowledge of the language will be able to attend. There are also many English courses available, but priority will be given to degree students and exchange students may participate if there are places in the groups. The language courses can only take a limited number of students, and those who have not enrolled in time will not be able to participate. If unsure, please contact the teacher.

The **Language circles** are extra-curricular activities for international and Finnish students. The students arrange voluntary meetings where international students can meet Finnish students as well as other international students. There are groups for many different languages, and the idea is to use that specific language in the group so that the native speakers can help non-native speakers practice their language skills. At the end of the semester, the participants receive a certificate of their participation.

### **Tandem language exchange**

There is also the possibility to practice your language skills with a Tandem Partner who is a native speaker of your target language. Depending on the Tandem partners' needs for language learning, the Tandem pair can practice both partners' target languages reciprocally e.g. offer each other help with homework, proof-read short essays, or practice oral skills over coffee.

### **Other opportunities in the Language Centre**

There are a limited number of part-time job opportunities at the Language Centre for students willing to work as language tutors in language courses and in the self-study room. The Language Centre prefers students who are doing their teaching practice and who will later become teachers of their language and culture for foreigners. You can receive more information and express your interest during the orientation week. We also recommend that you check beforehand whether the language tutor period could be transferred to your degree at your home university.

For more information please visit  
<http://kielikeskus.utu.fi/en>

### **Visa and residence permit**

**NON EU/EEA citizens** must obtain a residence permit from the nearest Finnish embassy or consulate in their home country. It is also important to check whether a visa is also required to enter the Schengen area. The Ministry for Foreign Affairs website ([www.formin.fi](http://www.formin.fi)) offers a list of countries showing what travel documents are required and what agreement each country has with the Schengen member states. **The residence permit and visa must be obtained prior to arrival in Finland.** Students from non-EU/EEA countries are therefore advised to check what documents are required and to apply for them in time.

According to the directive of the Ministry of the Interior, **non-EU/EEA citizens**, who will be coming to Finland for studies or student exchange, are required to have valid health insurance in order to obtain a residence permit.

According to the Finnish Immigration Service, citizens from **outside the EU/EEA countries** must show that their income is secured either with a scholarship or other funds with which the student can support him/herself during the Academic Year. Students must be able to prove that they have at their disposal at least € 500 a month or € 6,000 for a year.

For further information on visa applications and residence permits, please contact the nearest Finnish Embassy or

Consulate. Detailed information on matters concerning visa and residence permit can also be found on the website of the Finnish Immigration Service at [www.migri.fi](http://www.migri.fi).

Residence permit renewals are done at the local Police Station in Turku at Eerikinkatu 40–42.

**US students**, please also see instructions from the Embassy and Consulates General of Finland at [www.finland.org/en](http://www.finland.org/en) and follow the path: Visas and residence permits.

**EU citizens** and citizens of Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland do not need a residence permit, but they must register their right to reside in Finland if their stay lasts longer than three months. The right to reside can be obtained from the local Police Station in Turku at Eerikinkatu 40–42 before the end of the three month period.

Citizens of the **Nordic countries** (Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Iceland) do not need a visa or a residence permit for studies in Finland. However, if their stay exceeds six months, they must register their right to reside in Finland at the local Register Office in Turku at Aurakatu 8 before the end of the six month period.

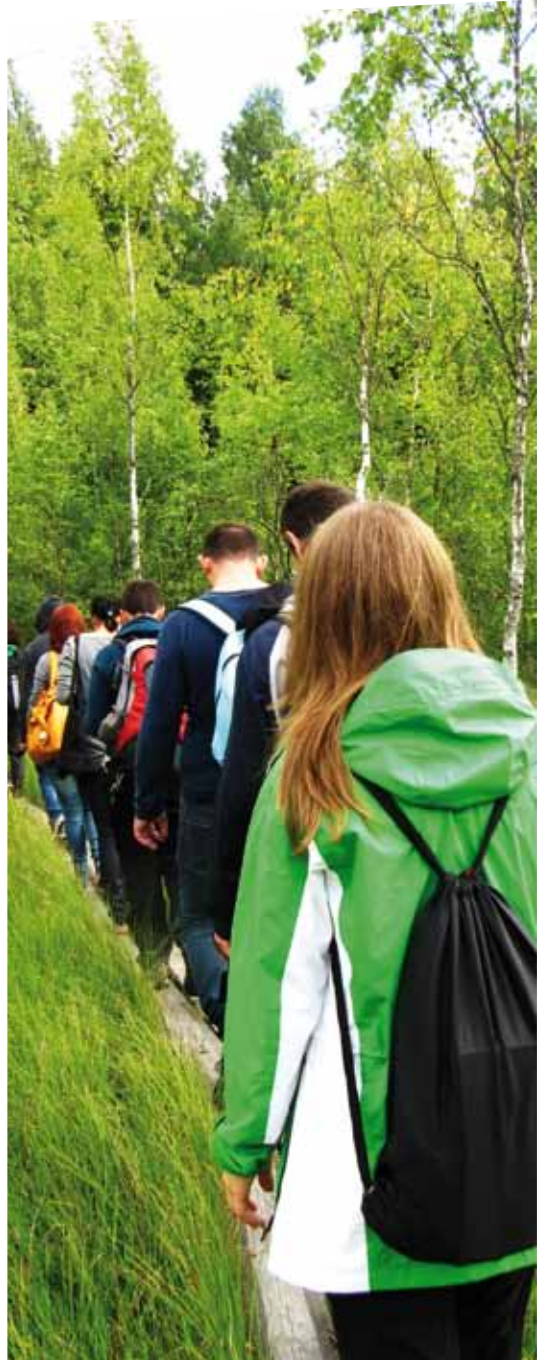
### **Sport facilities**

University Sports provides the university community with versatile sports services focusing on fitness and health. Services include both indoor and outdoor sports. You can find out more at [www.utu.fi/en/studying/students/services/sports/index.html](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/students/services/sports/index.html).

### **Costs of living**

The minimum living expenses of a single student are about € 600 per month depending on accommodation costs. This amount covers only the most necessary costs and does not include leisure activities.

More information at: [www.utu.fi/en/studying/students/exchange/arrive/living\\_costs.html](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying/students/exchange/arrive/living_costs.html). Note that finding a part-time job in Finland is difficult.





# Faculties at the University of Turku

The University of Turku has had seven faculties since 1 January 2010 when the University of Turku and the Turku School of Economics merged. In each faculty, several disciplines offer non-degree programmes or individual modules taught in English. In total, at least 300 courses are offered in English every year by different disciplines.

The University of Turku also offers several international Master's degree programmes, specially designed for international students.

Please find more information at [www.utu.fi/masters](http://www.utu.fi/masters).

## International Master's Degree Programmes at the Faculties

### **FACULTY OF HUMANITIES**

Master's Degree Programme in Baltic Sea Region Studies  
Master's Degree Programme in European Heritage, Digital Media and the Information Society  
Master's Degree Programme in Finnish and Other Finno-Ugric Languages (in Finnish)

### **FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS AND NATURAL SCIENCES**

Master's Degree Programme in Bioinformatics  
Master's Degree Programme in Embedded Computing  
Master's Degree Programme in Environmental Sciences  
Master's Degree Programme in Information Technology  
Master's Degree Programme in Physical Sciences, Astronomy track

### **FACULTY OF MEDICINE**

Master's Degree Programme in Biomedical Imaging

### **FACULTY OF LAW**

Master's Degree Programme in Law and Information Society

### **FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

Master's Degree Programme in Asian Studies

### **FACULTY OF EDUCATION**

Master's Degree Programme in Learning, Learning Environments and Educational Systems

### **TURKU SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS**

Master's Degree Programme in Global IT Management (GITM)  
Master's Degree Programme in Management of IT (IMMIT)  
Master's Degree Programme in Futures Studies (FUTU)  
Master's Degree Programme in Global Innovation Management (GIM)

## Exchange Studies at the Faculties

### FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

Baltic Sea Region Studies  
North American Studies  
Finnish Language and Culture (in Finnish)

### FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS AND NATURAL SCIENCES

Development Studies

Individual courses available from:

Environmental Sciences  
Bioinformatics  
Information Technology (TUCS)  
Master's Degree in Physical Sciences, Astronomy track

### FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Medical Studies  
Dentistry  
Nursing Sciences

### FACULTY OF LAW

Turku Law School  
Studies Programme in Innovation and Communications  
Law

### FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Finnish-Nordic Society and Culture  
History and Politics of European Integration  
Minor in East Asian Studies  
Psychology

### FACULTY OF EDUCATION

Individual courses available from the Master's degree programme in Learning, Learning Environments and Educational Systems

### TURKU SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

No non-degree programmes, individual courses available





# Exchange Studies at the Faculty of Humanities

The University of Turku has one of the largest Humanities Faculties in Finland, both in number of subjects and in number of students. The Faculty is recognised for its wide coverage: over 30 subjects represented in the Faculty are grouped into the study of languages, history, the arts and cultural sciences. Over 5,000 students are enrolled in Humanities, making it the largest Faculty at the University of Turku, with a staff of around 200. The Faculty also has a campus in the City of Pori (110 km north from Turku).

## Departments:

- Archaeology
- Art History
- Classics (Latin Philology, Greek Philology, Classical Archaeology)
- Comparative Literature
- Comparative Religion
- Cultural History
- Cultural Production and Landscape Studies (in the city of Pori)
- English (English Philology and English Translation and Interpreting)

- European Ethnology
- Finnish History
- Finnish Language
- Finnish Literature
- Finno-Ugric Languages
- Folkloristics
- French (French Studies and French Translation and Interpreting)
- Gender Studies
- General History
- General Linguistics
- German (German Philology and German Translation and Interpreting)
- Italian (Italian Studies and Italian Translation Studies)
- Media Studies
- Musicology
- Phonetics
- Russian Studies
- Scandinavian Languages
- Spanish (Spanish Studies and Spanish Translation Studies)

Additionally, teaching at basic and intermediate levels is also offered in Estonian, Hungarian and Romanian languages, Creative writing, Life Philosophy and Museology.

## International Master's Degree programmes:

Baltic Sea Region Studies  
European Heritage, Digital Media and the Information Society  
Finnish and other Finno-Ugric Languages (in Finnish)

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**Non-degree Programmes in English:**

Baltic Sea Region Studies

North American Studies

**Non-degree Programme in Finnish for foreigners:**

Finnish Language and Culture

The Faculty of Humanities offers several study opportunities for exchange students in the international non-degree programmes taught in English. Exchange students also have, with certain limitations, access to the lecture courses offered in the international Master's Degree Programmes of the Faculty. In addition to the courses within the international programmes, departments sometimes offer courses in English and in other languages.

The Department of Gender Studies arranges annually in the Spring Semester the course "Nordic Gender System and Cultural Representations of Gender in Finland". This course explores the cultural and political dimensions of the Nordic welfare state and its gendered meanings. It gives also an introduction to representations of women, men, femininities and masculinities in the field of media, art and other areas of expression.

For further information, please see the website [www.hum.utu.fi/oppiaineet/naistutkimus/en](http://www.hum.utu.fi/oppiaineet/naistutkimus/en).

It is also worth noting that international students can take several classes at the Department of English.

For further information, please consult the website on [www.hum.utu.fi/oppiaineet/englantilainenfilologia/studying/exchangestudents](http://www.hum.utu.fi/oppiaineet/englantilainenfilologia/studying/exchangestudents).

Also the other departments of modern languages offer teaching in their target languages. Information on the Faculty of Humanities, its departments and programmes is available on the Faculty website on [www.hum.utu.fi/en](http://www.hum.utu.fi/en).

## Baltic Sea Region Studies

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**Prerequisites:** At least two years of university studies and a special interest in the Baltic Sea region in the fields available.

**Description:** Baltic Sea Region Studies is a programme at the advanced undergraduate/ graduate level offering an interdisciplinary approach to understanding the societies, cultures and economics of the region surrounding the Baltic Sea. The Baltic Sea Region has emerged as a visible entity on the map of Europe and in the process of

European integration. The programme explores the very varied societies of the region from both historical and contemporary perspectives. The language of instruction is English. The programme also provides courses using the scholarly expertise of its partner universities in the Baltic Sea Region.

The main fields of study are History, Art History, Culture, Intercultural Communication, Political Science, Contemporary History, Human Geography, Geopolitics, and Environmental Studies. The fields of study are organised in three sections:

History and Culture  
Languages and Communication  
Society and Environment

The programme offers a wide range of courses for exchange students who can construct their own study plan. The total number of courses offered each year amounts to at least 25 ECTS.

The total list of courses and the course schedule is available on the programme website, please see:  
<http://balticstudies.utu.fi>

## North American Studies

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[www.hum.utu.fi/sivustot/nams](http://www.hum.utu.fi/sivustot/nams)

**Prerequisites and registration:** see below.

**Description:** The North American Studies program (NAMS) offers an interdisciplinary range of classes and study opportunities relating to North America. The foundation course for the program, *Crossing the Atlantic: The Making of North America* (4 ECTS + 4 ECTS for optional term paper), is taught every fall semester, and covers the history of North America and the Caribbean from the first European contacts to the present day. Students are also strongly encouraged to attend the annual two-day American Voices seminar held in October. In addition to these courses, the program offers taught electives which vary from year to year, and units consisting of independent study. The second foundation course, *The Making of Canada* (4 ECTS + 4 ECTS for optional term paper) is offered every spring semester.

Note: Where an elective is a taught course, students from the North American Studies program participate alongside students from the department offering the course. If places on particular courses are restricted, priority is given to the department's own students. The introductory course is taught in English; all of the book examinations can be taken in English. Occasionally, courses taught in Finnish or Swedish may be offered within the program. The choice of language used in classes and for written assignments is at the teacher's discretion and can be identified from the title of the class quoted in the course listing.

**Registration:** Please note that *exchange students are not admitted to the University of Turku only for the North American Studies program*. However, all exchange students admitted to the University of Turku, or to Åbo Akademi University, may attend any courses offered by the NAMS program, and these courses can be included in exchange students' Learning Agreements.

Students should register with the Coordinator by e-mail before the courses start.

For a complete listing of the courses available, please consult the programme's website on [www.hum.utu.fi/sivustot/nams](http://www.hum.utu.fi/sivustot/nams)

## Suomen kieli ja kulttuuri – Finnish Language and Culture

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**NB: THE LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION IN THIS PROGRAMME IS FINNISH; ADEQUATE PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF THE LANGUAGE IS REQUIRED.**

**Prerequisites:** General eligibility for university studies and a good knowledge of Finnish. Students must be able to produce and understand both spoken and written Finnish.

**Description:** The Finnish Language and Culture programme is offered for international students with previous studies in the Finnish language. The programme consists of two parts: the Basic (introductory) studies and the Intermediate (bachelor-level) studies.

The introductory studies (25 ECTS) deepen the participants' knowledge of the use and structure of Finnish and its regional and stylistic variants. Students are introduced to the main authors and central works of Finnish literature and its trends and learn about the history and culture of Finnish society. All courses in the introductory studies are aimed exclusively at international students.

The bachelor-level studies (35 ECTS) are aimed for students with advanced knowledge of the Finnish language. They consist of advanced practical classes (e.g. academic writing) and theoretical studies (e.g. Finnish syntax) in Finnish language and linguistics and in Finnish literature, culture and society. Some of the courses in the bachelor-level studies are aimed exclusively at international students but, for the most part, the courses are offered both for Finnish and international students.





# Exchange Studies at the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences

The Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences at the University of Turku covers all the basic natural sciences, mathematics and computer science. The strength of the Faculty lies in the high quality of its research in all of the disciplines. The Faculty offers a variety of choices for students wishing to embark on a career in science. There is also a campus in the city of Salo (55 km east from Turku).

## Departments:

- Biochemistry and Food Chemistry
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Geography and Geology
- Information Technology
- Mathematics
- Physics and Astronomy

## International Master's Degree programmes:

- Master's Degree Programme in Bioinformatics
- Master's Degree Programme in Embedded Computing
- Master's Degree Programme in Environmental Sciences
- Master's Degree Programme in Information Technology

## Non-degree Programme in English:

Development Studies

The Departments of the Faculty offer a large selection of courses in English every year. The non-degree programme in Development Studies is open to all exchange students. The majority of the courses offered in the English-taught Master's Degree Programmes of the Faculty (Bioinformatics, Embedded Computing, Environmental Sciences, Information Technology and the Astronomy track of the Master's Degree in Physical Sciences) are open to exchange students. In addition to these English-taught programmes, the Departments offer also other individual courses in English. In order to participate, students must have relevant and sufficient knowledge in the applicable fields.

In addition to the annual courses in English being part of the Departments' curricula, all Departments occasionally have courses and lectures given in English by visiting professors and lecturers. Information on such courses is published throughout the year on departmental notice boards

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and websites. Exchange students can participate in these courses even if they have not signed up for them in their original Learning Agreements, but are recommended to agree on this with their home coordinator.

More specific and up-to-date information on the courses offered is available from the Departments' web sites:  
[www.sci.utu.fi/tdk/en/education/exchange/studying.html](http://www.sci.utu.fi/tdk/en/education/exchange/studying.html).

Detailed course descriptions are available from the ECTS Guide on [www.sci.utu.fi/tdk/en/education/sguide](http://www.sci.utu.fi/tdk/en/education/sguide). The courses offered during the upcoming academic year are usually published in June.

In addition to taught courses, it is possible to take examinations based on the independent study of reading material (textbook examinations). The examinations are the same as those taken by the local students but offered in English. The lists of books for the examinations can be found from the Curricula Guide on <https://nettiopsu.utu.fi/opas/index.htm?uiLang=en&lang=en>. Arrangements for independent study can be made upon arrival in Turku with the academic contact person and the professor responsible for each study module. The Departments organise 1–2 monthly general examination sessions during which independent study exams can be taken. Students must sign up for the examination sessions in advance following the rules of the Department in charge of the examination.

It is also possible to earn credits by writing essays or doing project work. All essay and project work must be arranged with the academic staff of the Department in question. In many subject areas it is possible to work in laboratories on a full-time basis.

Several research groups welcome exchange students to work with the group as part of their studies. The basic requirement for this option is at least two years of studies in a relevant field of study and the basic laboratory skills. In order to work on such projects, please contact the relevant Department and International Office prior to your arrival in Turku, as this kind of work placement needs to be arranged well in advance.

### **Development Studies**

**Description:** Development Studies is a 60 ECTS programme aiming to introduce students to the concepts and theories of development and enable them to see the value of their own main subject in development research. The programme examines development questions from multi-scientific point of view enabling students to begin to carry out research on development issues and/or in a developing country. The courses also broaden students' skills in readiness for working in a developing country.

Detailed information from [www.sci.utu.fi/kehitysmaa](http://www.sci.utu.fi/kehitysmaa)



# Exchange Studies at the Faculty of Medicine

The Faculty of Medicine at the University of Turku was founded in 1943. The Faculty aims to give comprehensive training producing experts of health care. The development of teaching and the commitment to lifelong learning have played an important role in achieving the goals of the Faculty. The Faculty has four major lines of specialisation including medicine, dentistry, nursing science and health biosciences.

## Departments:

- Institute of Biomedicine
- Institute of Clinical Medicine
- Institute of Dentistry
- Nursing Science

**International Master's Degree programmes:**  
Master's Degree Programme in Biomedical Imaging

## Medical and Dental Studies

All courses in the regular curriculum in medicine and dentistry are offered in Finnish. There is a possibility for the exchange students to participate in small group teaching in English. Some departments offer lectures in English if there are several non-Finnish-speaking students participating. Clinical rotations can be offered in English.

More information and updated course list – please see [www.med.utu.fi/en/studying/exchange/courses](http://www.med.utu.fi/en/studying/exchange/courses).

Clinical dental treatment can also be practiced by the 5th year dental students.

A limited number of vacant places are available in the curricular courses and electives. As study places in the courses cannot be guaranteed, incoming exchange students should choose more than one alternative when choosing courses for their study plan.

Students applying for courses in the autumn semester should note that some courses may start as early as in mid-August. In such cases students are informed in advance.

Updated course information can be found on [www.med.utu.fi/en/studying/exchange](http://www.med.utu.fi/en/studying/exchange).

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IMPORTANT (Medicine and Dentistry): It is mandatory that students planning to take clinical courses or electives have their samples taken and investigated to exclude contamination with MRSA (meticillin resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*) and VRE (vancomycin resistant *Enterococcus*) when they arrive in Turku. The students cannot begin their studies before the samples have been investigated and the results are ready, which should take about one week. Students should contact the International Officer of the Faculty for instructions when they have arrived in Turku.

## Nursing Science

The department of Nursing Science operates a diverse programme of research. Research is aimed at actively responding to the needs of health care development in



the society and many research projects involve collaboration with clinicians from the field of nursing as well as from other scientific disciplines. The Department's main ongoing research projects are in the following areas: value base and ethics of nursing and nursing education, structures and knowledge base of nursing decision-making, evaluation and development of clinical nursing practice, nursing education and education outcomes and health care administration and organisational development.

The language of instruction in the Master of Health Sciences (Nursing Science) programme is Finnish but annually some courses are in English. The non-degree study modules "Empowering Patient Education" and "Clinical Instruments for Evaluating Health – Development and Implementation" are held during spring term.

In addition Nursing Science offers some smaller courses during Autumn term in English (Finnish health care policy in European Context, Ethics in health care organisations and How to write an abstract).

The Department of Nursing Science also arranges individual study plans and offers research projects for exchange students at the master and doctoral level. The Department of Nursing Science is an active international collaborator and a partner in the European PhD network EANS, and in the International Nursing PhD Collaboration (consisting of several Universities in four continents).

More information is available on the website of the Department of Nursing Science on [www.med.utu.fi/hoitotiede/en/international](http://www.med.utu.fi/hoitotiede/en/international).



# Exchange Studies at the Faculty of Law

The Faculty of Law at the University of Turku is a modern research and education unit established in 1960. Research and education based on research at the Faculty cover all significant and recognised areas of law. The English programme running at the Faculty is the Turku Law School. The Faculty has some 1,300 students.

## Fields:

- Law

## Non-degree programmes in English:

Turku Law School  
Studies Programme in Innovation and  
Communications Law (ICL)

For its independent, innovative and international approach the faculty has been recognized by the Ministry of Education as a centre of excellence for the period 1997-1998, and as a quality unit for the periods 1999-2000, 2004-2006 and 2007-2009.

Research is conducted in all legal fields at the faculty. Several research projects have received national or international funding. The faculty's several publication series address topical issues and themes, such as Sports Law, Intellectual Property as well as Taxation and Administrative Law.

## Turku Law School

**Prerequisites:** The courses of the Turku Law School are available for exchange students registered as law students at partner institutions of higher education abroad. Students should also be familiar with the basic legal concepts. More information is available on the Turku Law School website on [www.law.utu.fi/en/studying/tls](http://www.law.utu.fi/en/studying/tls).

Turku Law School is a cooperative organisation involving the Departments of Law at University of Turku and at Åbo Akademi University (ÅAU). One of the principal aims of the cooperation is to combine the resources of the institutions in order to provide international students with a broad range of high quality law courses taught in English. Currently more than 35 law courses are taught in English on an annual basis. International students at Turku Law School have the unique opportunity to live and study in a global community, gaining exposure to a variety of ideas and perspectives together with acquiring a deeper personal understanding of the Nordic culture and its special customs and norms.

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## Studies Programme in Innovation and Communi- cations Law (ICL)

**Prerequisites:** The applicant must have completed at least 50 ECTS credits or equivalent by the start of the Programme. Of these, at least 25 ECTS credits must be legal studies. The applicant must be fluent in English (preferably previous legal studies in English language or university-level studies in English language). The annual quota of accepted students is 20. The application deadline is 31st of May 2012 at 16.15. Please see more information at [www.law.utu.fi/en/icl](http://www.law.utu.fi/en/icl).

The Studies Programme in Innovation and Communications Law (ICL) is a unique whole-year programme offered by the Faculty of Law, University of Turku. The ICL is intended for graduate students willing to specialize in innovation and communications law as part of their Master's Degree in Law as well as for post-graduate students deepening their knowledge within the fields covered. Completing the Programme leads to a Diploma Certificate in Innovation and Communications Law. The Programme will provide the students with the essential insights, capabilities and intellectual tools to analyze the upcoming legal problems of the knowledge society. It concentrates on international and European levels of regulation and their interaction with national legal systems.





# Exchange Studies at the Faculty of Social Sciences

The Faculty of Social Sciences (est. 1967) is a forward looking and active faculty with a wide range of academic disciplines. Its mission is to generate new knowledge and understanding through research as well as to provide high-quality teaching and research training.

The defining characteristic of research carried out within the Faculty is a critical approach to the central problems of social sciences.

The teaching at the Faculty is based on the latest research but it also familiarises students with the history of their discipline and its research traditions. The Faculty constitutes a community of almost two thousand persons including some 1,800 students enrolled in Social Sciences and a staff of around 200.

## Departments:

- Behavioural Sciences and Philosophy
- Political Science and Contemporary History
- Social Research

## Other fields:

- Statistics
- Economics

## Non-degree studies in English:

Centre for East Asian Studies  
Asian Programme  
History and Politics of European Integration  
Finnish-Nordic Society and Culture

There are several possibilities for exchange students to study at the Faculty of Social Sciences including international programmes as well as individual courses taught in English. Exchange students can also negotiate with the departments about alternative ways to complete courses taught in Finnish.

Information about all the courses available in English can be found on the website of the Faculty on [www.soc.utu.fi/en/studying/programmes](http://www.soc.utu.fi/en/studying/programmes).

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The Centre for East Asian Studies provides English-language teaching on contemporary East Asia at the graduate level as well as doing post-graduate research. It also aims to foster cooperation between the experts on Asia

at the University of Turku and actors in business, education and state institutions.

The Centre offers interdisciplinary studies ranging from introductory courses for students with no previous knowledge of Asia, to courses on the Master and post-graduate levels. Studies are offered in the form of minor studies and a two-year Master's Degree Programme. Study methods include seminars and lectures by the Centre's regular teaching staff as well as guest lecturers from international universities around the world.

The studies include investigations into and discussions on the manner in which contemporary history, social practice, political philosophy, political culture as well as literature and cinema offer alternate, but equally significant understandings of East Asian society and politics in the present.

More detailed information on the teaching offered by the Centre for East Asia Studies is available on the Centre's website at <http://aasia.utu.fi/en/studying>.

The Centre also has several online courses available through the University Network for Asian Studies. These include the B section of the BA level Asian Programme, entitled Society and Politics in East and Southeast Asia and 15 different MA level courses. Registration takes place two weeks before the course begins.

Please see [www.asianet.fi/asianet/english/home.html](http://www.asianet.fi/asianet/english/home.html) for more on the BA and MA courses.



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“History and Politics of European Integration” is a multidisciplinary teaching program at the non-degree level. The courses emphasize various aspects of the European integration process, and focus mainly on the history of European integration, ranging from the end of World War I to the creation of the European Union. The students are to investigate European integration as a historical process, as well as other aspects of European politics (Law, Political Science, Economics and Economic History, Media politics, etc).

The program is a part of the Department of Political Science and Contemporary History’s teaching syllabus, open to both degree and exchange students. It covers one academic year (September-May), and accepts both undergraduate (bachelor) and graduate (master) students. It is aimed at basic/intermediate students, but will also accommodate more advanced students with a selection of additional courses. The language of teaching, instruction and required reading material is English.

The program is divided into an opening session (autumn semester), main courses for a total of 20 ECTS credits, and a variety of additional courses (ca. 20 ECTS annually, for up-to-date information on these, please see the programme website). The courses consist of lecture series, intensive courses, conferences, and book exams. Additional courses are organized by the program or by other departments/institutions. While both the main and additional courses are open for attendance by option, it is recommended that the students attend at least most of the main courses in order to achieve a thorough perspective to European integration. Based on their interest, the students can then include any additional courses for a stronger emphasis on more specific aspects.

The main courses of the programme for the academic year 2012–2013 are:

A. POLH1019: The History of European Integration 1945–1995, for 4 ECTS credits (lecture series during the autumn semester 2012, book exam through the year)

B. POLH1024: Finland, the Nordic Countries, and European Integration, for 4 ECTS credits (lecture series during the spring semester 2013, book exam through the year)

C. POLH1034: The EU as a Political Phenomenon, for 4 ECTS credits (intensive course, autumn semester 2012, book exam through the year)

D. POLH1071: A cross-national comparative workshop: European Union and European Media Landscapes, for 4 ECTS credits (intensive course, spring semester 2013)

E. A choice from three book-exams (more exams may be taken as additional courses), for 4 ECTS credits, through the year:

– POLH1035: The Economic History of European Integration  
– POLH1036: The Idea of Europe and European Projects Before 1945

– POLH1071: Historiography of European Integration



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The Finnish-Nordic Society and Culture is a multidisciplinary programme emphasising the dimensions of the Nordic welfare society. Exchange students particularly interested in gender issues, law or health care are offered the possibility of taking additional courses extending their knowledge in their area of interest.

Both undergraduate and graduate students are accepted into the programme. The language of instruction is English. The total amount of credits for the basic module is 25–33 ECTS (more credits are available). The basic module consists of following study areas: Contemporary History, Social Policy, Sociology, Political Science and Philosophy.

## Autumn Semester:

Finland in Northern European Contemporary History, 5 ECTS

Nordic Welfare State from a Comparative View, 5 ECTS

Education and Equality, 2–4 ECTS

## Spring Semester:

Finnish Society: Structures and Cultures, 5 ECTS

The Finnish Political System, 5 ECTS

Ethical Thinking and Society, 5 ECTS

Employment and Equality, 2–4 ECTS

The programme might also include some extra courses.

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Finland's first laboratory of psychology was founded in the University of Turku in 1922. The laboratory started under the professorship of philosophy but gained the status of an independent subject in 1955. Today the Division of Psychology works under the Department of Behavioural Sciences and Philosophy and employs over 70 researchers, teachers and staff. Over 200 students major in psychology in the University of Turku.

The Division of Psychology has a vast array of research topics that include cognitive skills, cognitive neuroscience, development and interaction, bullying and traffic behaviour. You can find more of the specialised fields of research at

[www.soc.utu.fi/oppiaineet/psykologia/en/research](http://www.soc.utu.fi/oppiaineet/psykologia/en/research).

## Courses for exchange students

The courses at the Department of Psychology are organised together with Åbo Akademi University, all courses have codes for both universities. The courses may dif-

fer from year to year. Preregistration is mandatory for all courses. In the University of Turku, students register for the courses in NettiOpsu (<https://nettiopsu.utu.fi>) or by email to [minna.varjonen@utu.fi](mailto:minna.varjonen@utu.fi). This must be done at least one week before the beginning of the course.

The courses during the academic year 2011-2012 were:

**Autumn Semester:**

- KNTP5003 Consciousness and Brain, 5 or 8 ECTS
- PSYK3434 Development of Aggression, 4 ECTS
- PSYK3484 Integrative Neuroscience, 5 ECTS
- PSYK3457 Male and Female Sexual Dysfunctions, 4 ECTS
- PSYK3405 Psychology of Language, 3 ECTS (The course is taught every second year (next time autumn 2013)).
- PSYK3500 Psychopharmacology, 3 ECTS

**Spring Semester:**

- PSYK3338 Bilingualism: Cognitive and Neural Aspects, 3 ECTS (The course is taught every second year (next time spring 2014)).
- PSYK3491 Eating Disorders, 3 ECTS
- PSYK3480 Forensic Psychology, 5 ECTS
- PSYK3481 Forensic Psychological Assessment, 5 ECTS
- PSYK3488 Observation of Infant Attachment, 3 ECTS
- PSYK3483 Peer Relations from Infancy to Adolescence, 4 ECTS
- PSYK3489 Sleep and Dreaming, 3 ECTS
- PSYK3503 Statistics for Behavioural Sciences: Basic Seminar, 3 ECTS





# Exchange Studies at the Faculty of Education

The Faculty of Education consists of the Department of Education located in Turku and the Department of Teacher Education with two units: one in Turku and another one in Rauma (90 km from Turku). Each of these two units has its own affiliated teacher training school.

The Faculty offers both undergraduate and graduate programmes with majors in Education, Adult Education, Special Education and Didactics of Handicrafts. The programmes are offered in Finnish. The Faculty offers also a two year Master's Degree Programme in English called Learning, Learning Environments and Educational Systems. In addition, the Faculty offers qualification for subject teachers by providing pedagogical studies in teacher education as minor studies for students majoring at the University's other faculties.

The Faculty trains specialists for all fields of education, ranging from early education to adult education. Graduates from the Faculty have career prospects for example as teachers in kindergartens, primary schools and handicrafts education or as researchers, educational planners and consultants in a wide range of tasks.

## Fields:

- Adult Education (Turku)
- Educational Science (Turku)
- Special Education (Turku)
- Class Teacher Education (Turku and Rauma)
- Handicrafts Teacher Education (Rauma)
- Kindergarten Teacher Education (Rauma)
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Information on study opportunities can be obtained from the Faculty web pages [www.edu.utu.fi](http://www.edu.utu.fi).

The Faculty of Education offers an international Master's degree programme called Learning, Learning Environments and Educational Systems (LLEES; [www.edu.utu.fi/en/studying/llees](http://www.edu.utu.fi/en/studying/llees)). The programme is taught in English. Exchange students can take courses offered in the programme with certain reservations. The prerequisite for the courses with an "s" in the course code (for instance EDU s5) is at least two years of studies in Education,

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Adult Education, and Special Education or in a related field. If the course code does not contain the letter "s", no previous studies in the field are required. The list of courses offered for exchange students can be found at [www.edu.utu.fi/en/studying/exchange\\_students](http://www.edu.utu.fi/en/studying/exchange_students). The School Experience is offered only for the exchange students of the Faculty of Education who study to become teachers.

### Courses Available for Exchange Students

N.B. Changes may occur!

Courses are confirmed by 31 May, 2012.

#### Autumn Semester 2012

School Experience (5 ECTS)



### Courses from the Master's Degree Programme in Learning, Learning Environments and Educational Systems:

ORI1 Skill acquisition and development of expertise (2 or 4 ECTS)

EDU s3 Methodology 1 (5 ECTS)

ELE2 Learning difficulties in elementary school (3 or 5 ECTS)

ELE4 Educational management and administration (3 or 5 ECTS)

ELE8 Comparative and International Education (2 or 4 ECTS)

ELE9 Methodology 2 (4 ECTS)

#### Spring Semester 2013

School Experience (5 ECTS)

### Courses from the Master's Degree Programme in Learning, Learning Environments and Educational Systems:

EDU s2 Philosophical inquiry of issues in education (3 ECTS)

EDU s5 Learning, motivation and learning environments (3 or 5 ECTS)

EDU s6 Aspects of sociology and politics of education (2 or 4 ECTS)

EDU s7 Evaluation and effectiveness of education (2 or 4 ECTS)

ELE1 Finnish schools in the light of international comparison (3 or 5 ECTS)

ELE7 Workplace learning (5 ECTS)



# Turku School of Economics

At Turku School of Economics (TSE) studies include a comprehensive choice of business studies, management and economic sciences, as well as foreign languages. The fully established position of the School as a scientific expert is based on decades of experience in the creation and use of innovative knowledge in training business experts for the future.

Special expertise at Turku School of Economics is represented by business knowledge for innovations, responsible business and sustainable development, business competence and models in organizational networks, global integration, strategic management accounting and welfare management and public services.

The atmosphere at TSE is international: every year, over 150 foreign students study here either for one Semester or the entire Academic Year. Those who study here especially appreciate the good community spirit, modern resources and extensive network of international cooperation.

## **International Master's Degree programmes:**

Master's Degree Programme in Global IT Management - GITM

Master's Degree Programme in Management of IT - IMMIT

Master's Degree Programme in Future Studies - FUTU

Master's Degree Programme in Global Innovation - GIM

Some Master's degree programmes are offered completely in English. The Master's degree programmes are specialised two-year programmes that are premised on up-to-date scientific research. The structure of these programmes is in line with the Master of Science degree structure and schedule.

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## Non-Degree Programmes

A large number of courses are conducted in English in:

- Accounting and Finance
- Management and Organization
- Information Systems Science
- Entrepreneurship, Marketing
- International Business
- Logistics
- Economic Geography
- Economic Sociology
- Economics
- Business Law
- Futures Studies
- Quantitative Methods in Management

Language studies are primarily for the exchange students of the Turku School of Economics. In language studies the emphasis is on business communication and cultural issues. You can study the following languages here: English, Spanish, French, Swedish, German, Finnish language and communication, Russian and Japanese.

Information about studying at Turku School of Economics can be found from the Study Guide on [www.tse.fi/EN/studying/curriculum](http://www.tse.fi/EN/studying/curriculum). Note that the Turku School of Economics does not offer courses to students from other faculties or to students of the Åbo Akademi University.





# Checklist

## Some important matters to remember before you come to Turku:

- ✓ Apply for housing. You should apply at least six weeks before arrival. Please note that you will need to pay the deposit **before** you arrive.
- ✓ If you are a non-EU/EEA citizen, check well in advance whether you need a residence permit/ visa and apply for one at the nearest Finnish Embassy or Consulate in your home country.
- ✓ Non-EU/EEA citizens are required to have health insurance before arrival. It is advisable to take travel insurance as well. It is highly recommended to all students to have insurance.
- ✓ Book your travel tickets. You should arrive in time for the Orientation Course which is organised at the beginning of each semester. If you must arrive outside the official arrival days, avoid arriving during weekends and holidays.
- ✓ Contact your personal student tutor well in advance.
- ✓ You will receive an Information Package from the University of Turku by post. If you have not received it in six weeks after the application deadline, please contact us by e-mail at [international@utu.fi](mailto:international@utu.fi).

## Your first days in Turku:

- ✓ Enrol in the university at the International Office. Remember to bring all the necessary documents with you.
- ✓ Take part in the Orientation course for exchange students.
- ✓ Sign your lease at the Student Village Foundation office. Remember to fill out the apartment checklist carefully and return it to the housing office.
- ✓ Pay the Student Union fee at any bank using your personal reference number (if you are eligible and willing to join the Student Union).
- ✓ Apply for the Finnish student card (if you are eligible to join the Student Union).
- ✓ Open a bank account – obligatory if you have been granted a scholarship, otherwise optional.
- ✓ Collect your personal user account information from the computer centre.

# Useful Websites for More Information

## Studies and practicalities:

Information on studying in the University of Turku  
[www.utu.fi/en/studying](http://www.utu.fi/en/studying)

Language Centre of the University of Turku  
<http://kielikeskus.utu.fi/en>

IT Management of the University of Turku  
[www.cc.utu.fi/en](http://www.cc.utu.fi/en)

Campus map  
[www.utu.fi/kartta](http://www.utu.fi/kartta)

International Summer School  
[www.utu.fi/summerschool](http://www.utu.fi/summerschool)

Friendship Programme  
[www.turkuamk.fi/friendshipprogramme](http://www.turkuamk.fi/friendshipprogramme)

Student Union of the University of Turku  
[www.tyy.fi/in-english](http://www.tyy.fi/in-english)

The National Union of University Students in Finland  
[www.syl.fi/english](http://www.syl.fi/english)

Student Village Foundation (student housing)  
[www.tys.fi/en](http://www.tys.fi/en)

Student Health Care  
[www.fshs.fi](http://www.fshs.fi)

Finnish Immigration Service  
Information on visas and residence permits  
[www.migri.fi](http://www.migri.fi)

The Centre for International Mobility in Finland  
<http://www.studyinfinland.fi>

## Turku and Finland:

City of Turku  
[www.turku.fi](http://www.turku.fi)

Interactive Map of Turku  
<http://opaskartta.turku.fi>

Off Turku  
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Visit Finland  
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