Welcome to the Q&A Webinar 8.4.2021

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Topics of today

- Welcome and Introductions
- Schedule for new students
- Residence permits
- Housing
- Scholarships and tuition fees
- Accepting your study place and registration
- Beginning your studies
- Tutoring and online tutoring
- Covid-19 and what it means to new students
- Questions!



Welcome to the University of Turku!

- Over 500 admitted students to 13 international degree programmes.
- More than 70 nationalities.
- We are looking forward to meeting all of you in August!



Schedule for new students

- Results published 31 March.
- Admission offer must be accepted at the latest 16 July.
- Student registration begins 17 May and ends 31 August.
 - You will receive information when the registration opens.
- For those of you admitted conditionally, you must provide your final documents to UTU by 10 August.
- Orientation begins 25 August.
 - 3 days of general orientation.
- Studies begin in the end of August

https://www.utu.fi/en/study-at-utu/accepted-students





Residence permits

- Apply as soon as possible!
- Make sure you fulfill all the requirements:
 - Sufficient financial resources including the tuition fee if you do not receive a scholarship.
 - Insurance
- All permit issues should be taken up with the Finnish Immigration Service and local embassies.
- The University cannot assist with the permits, speed things up or influence the decisions.
- > https://migri.fi/en/studying-in-finland
- > https://migri.fi/en/customer-instructions-for-students
- > https://migri.fi/en/coronavirus



Housing

- The University does not have dormitories or student apartments.
 Students are responsible for applying for housing on time and in the correct manner.
- Student Village Foundation (TYS) in Turku
 - Apply for housing 3 months before you need the apartment.
 - Full month leases if arriving in August you must apply for housing 1 May.
 - https://tys.fi/en
- Students coming to Rauma will receive information about housing options from their coordinator.
- >https://www.utu.fi/en/study-at-utu/accepted-students/housing



Scholarships and Tuition fees

- All admitted students that received a scholarship or were put on the reserve list for a scholarship have received information about it together with their Admission Offer.
- The first scholarship acceptance deadline is 16 April.
- First students on the waiting list will be offered a scholarship after 16 April.
 - The deadline for accepting their offer is 30 April.
 - If there are scholarships left, the final offers will be sent after 3 May.
 - All students on the waiting list will be notified if they receive a scholarship or not after 17 May.
- Tuition fee must be paid by 31 July.



Accepting your study place and registration

- The final deadline for accepting your admission offer is 16 July.
 - Accept by using the link from studyinfo.fi (check your spam folder if you did not receive the e-mail).
 - If you are unable to accept the study place with the link, contact us at admissions@utu.fi
- After you have accepted your study place you can register as a student.
- > https://www.utu.fi/en/study-at-utu/registration/new-master



Conditional acceptance and providing original documents

- If you were accepted conditionally (you have not yet graduated):
 - you must provide the University with a copy of your degree certificate and the transcript of records and an official translation of them by 10 August 2021 at 15.00 at the latest. Can be provided as a scan via e-mail.
- All admitted students must provide the original educational documents to the University by 15 September.
 - Follow the country specific instructions.
 - You will get the originals back after we have verified them.

>https://www.utu.fi/en/study-at-utu/accepted-students/original-documents





Beginning your studies

- Studies begin with the general Orientation (25-27 August).
- > https://www.utu.fi/en/study-at-utu/accepted-students/orientation
- Arrive on campus (Turku or Rauma) well in advance to ensure you are settled before studies begin.
- You will receive more information about your programme content, timetable etc. from your coordinators.
- If you are unable to start your studies in 2021, you may defer the start of your studies (and your scholarship) for 1 year.
 - Contact <u>admissions@utu.fi</u> for details.





Tutoring and online tutoring

- All students coming to UTU will have a tutor to help them during their first days.
 Your tutors are fellow students who can answer your
 - questions about living in Turku/Rauma, being a student at UTU and generally what it is like here.
 - Your tutors are not academic advisors.
 - If you have questions about the content of your programme, contact your programme coordinator.
- Online groups will be set up by your tutors.
 - The links will be given to you by the end of this month.
 - The aim is to give you the possibility to connect before you arrive and get to know fellow students and tutors.
 You can ask any questions from your tutors. If they do
 - not know the answer, they may know who to contact.

Telegram group for all admitted students:

https://t.me/joinchat/VvyWcAYQ20o3Zml0





Covid-19 and what it means to new students

- The University is currently planning to start studies on campus in August.
- The situation may change.
- The University Covid-19 instructions are updated here https://www.utu.fi/en/information-on-coronavirus
- Follow the information and instructions of the Immigration officials.
 - There may be delays in residence permits.
- If you are unable to arrive on time due to the Covid-19 situation:
 - You can defer your studies for a year. Deferring for one semester is not possible.
 - You can arrive later and start your studies online. This option is not possible for all programmes due to the structure of studies. Contact your programme coordinator for details.
- For conditionally admitted students:
 - The deadline for providing proof of your graduation is 10 August 2021.
 - If you have any questions about what documentation can be accepted, contact admissions@utu.fi.
- We will inform all admitted students of any changes in schedules, regulations etc. as soon as possible.

Questions?

Timetable

31 MARCH

ADMISSON RESULTS PUBLISHED AND SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED

IN APRIL /
IN JULY

ACCEPT OFFERED STUDY PLACE AND POSSIBLE SCHOLARSHIP BY THE DEADLINE GIVEN IN YOUR LETTER

BY 31 JULY

FIRST TUITION FEE INSTALMENT

BETWEEN MID-MAY AND AUGUST

REGISTER WITH THE UNIVERSITY BY PAYING THE STUDENT UNION MEMBERSHIP FEE AND PAY THE STUDENT HEALTH CARE FEE

AUGUST

ARRIVAL AND STUDENT ORIENTATION

Telegram group:



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Further info:

See utu.fi/en/study-at-utu/accepted-students Contact admissions@utu.fi



