

Exchange Studies at the Faculty of Humanities

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1. Faculty of Humanities



1. Faculty of Humanities

- ❖ One of the largest faculties at the University of Turku
- ❖ Approximately 3000 students and 300 staff members
- ❖ Divided into two Schools:
 - School of History, Culture and Arts Studies
 - School of Languages and Translation Studies



1. Faculty of Humanities

School of History, Culture and Arts Studies

❖ Degree Programme in History and Archaeology

- Archaeology
- European and World History
- Cultural History
- Finnish History



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School of History, Culture and Arts Studies

❖ Degree Programme in Study of Cultures

- European Ethnology
- Folkloristics
- Study of Religion



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School of History, Culture and Arts Studies

❖ Degree Programme in Literary Studies

- Comparative Literature
- Finnish Literature



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School of History, Culture and Arts Studies

❖ Degree Programme in Media Studies, Musicology, and Art History

- Art History
- Media Studies
- Musicology



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School of History, Culture and Arts Studies

- ❖ Other minor subjects:
 - Asklepios: Study Programme of Culture and Health Research
 - Creative Writing
 - Finnish Culture Studies
 - Gender Studies
 - Life Philosophy
 - Museology
 - Prehistorical, Ancient, Medieval and Early Modern Studies

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School of History, Culture and Arts Studies

❖ Digital Culture, Landscape and Cultural Heritage -- Campus at Pori

- Cultural Heritage Studies
 - Digital Culture
 - Landscape Studies
- ❖ Minor subjects in Pori:
- Cultural and Experience Tourism
 - Cultural Management
 - Land Use Planning and Landscape Conservation
 - Museology



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School of Languages and Translation Studies

❖ Departments / major subjects:

- Chinese Language
- Classics (Latin Philology, Greek Philology, Classical Archaeology)
- English
- Finnish and Finno-Ugric Languages
- French and French Linguistics and French as Foreign Language (Double Degree)
- German
- Italian
- Scandinavian Languages
- Spanish

❖ Minor subjects also:

- Digital Language Studies, Estonian Language and Culture, Hungarian Language and Culture etc.



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School of Languages and Translation Studies

Master's level:

- ❖ Degree Programme in Language Learning and Teaching
- ❖ Degree Programme in Multilingual Translation Studies
- ❖ Language Specialist Degree Programme

- ❖ For future interest: Master's Degree Programmes (current)
 - Master's Degree Programme in Finnish and Other Finno-Ugric Languages
 - Master's Degree Programme in European Languages, Cultures and Societies in Contact
 - French Linguistics and French as Foreign Language (Double Degree)

1. Faculty of Humanities

- ❖ Basic degrees in the Faculty of Humanities:
 - Bachelor of Arts (180 op / ECTS)
 - Master of Arts (120 op / ECTS)
- ❖ Postgraduate Degree:
 - Doctor of Philosophy



2. Nature of Studying



2. Nature of studying

Academic freedom and responsibility

- Freedom to plan one's studies
- Responsibility in advancing one's studies



2. Nature of studying

❖ Numerous courses in English, offered to everyone by our faculty (and other faculties):

- Study Guide, "Courses for Exchange Students",

<https://opas.peppi.utu.fi/en/courses-for-exchange-students/24345?period=2024-2027>

- NB: Finnish Culture Studies & North American Studies → non-degree programmes

2. Nature of studying

- ❖ The curriculum is organised in modules at three levels: Basic, Intermediate, and Advanced Studies.
- ❖ The extent of the courses is expressed in credits (“opintopiste” / “op” in Finnish).
One credit is roughly equivalent to 27 hours of study.
- ❖ 1 Finnish credit (op) = 1 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System).
One year of full-time studies amounts to 60 ECTS (5 per month).

2. Nature of studying



One study year has 4 quarters

- Teaching periods during the Spring semester 2026:

III period 12.1.2026–15.3.2026 (no teaching during week 11)

IV period 16.3.2026–24.5.2026 (no teaching during week 21)

Create yourself a timetable for every quarter!

Also leave yourself enough time for reading for exams and to do written works.

2. Nature of studying

- ❖ One academic hour = 45 minutes
- ❖ Lectures given are normally in sets of two hours (i.e. 90 minutes).
- ❖ If the time is given as 12-14 → the lecture starts at 12.15 and will end at 13.45.

2. Nature of studying

❖ The most common ways of studying are:

1. Lecture courses (including online courses)

- Lecture courses and seminars start at the beginning of a quarter and usually last 1–2 quarters.
- Lecture exams are held at the end of the lecture course or, more flexibly, as electronic exams in Exam rooms.
- Some lecture courses don't have final exams, but various types of assignments as a way to complete them.
- Time tables of each course can be found on the Study Guide.

2. Nature of studying

❖ The most common ways of studying are:

2. Lecture diaries and learning diaries:

- Written self-reflecting diaries based on lectures or seminars.
- A way for a student to evaluate what one has learned during the lectures/seminar.
- Detailed instructions are given by the responsible teacher of each individual course.



2. Nature of studying

- ❖ The most common ways of studying are:
- ❖ 3. Independent book exams:
 - Book exams are written exams based on a certain set of source books that are chosen beforehand.
 - Book exams can be taken in **Exam rooms**.
 - More information is given on the Study Guide, and details can be negotiated with the responsible teacher.
 - Enrol first in Peppi -> make a room reservation in Exam: <https://exam.utu.fi>



2. Nature of studying

❖ The most common ways of studying are:

4. Essays/papers and other written works:

- Usually based on a certain set of source books.
- Detailed instructions are given by the responsible teacher in charge of the course.

5. Internet courses (Moodle)

6. Other ways of self-study

More information can be found on the **Study Guide**.



2. Nature of studying

- Courses are evaluated on a scale from 0 to 5 or passed / failed.
- Results of each course will be visible on the **Peppi Study Register** within three weeks from taking the exam / completing the course.
- Study Register shows all the courses the student has taken, as well as their grading and the number of credits each course is worth.
- Students are able to print a **Transcript of Records from the Study Register** themselves. For an officially signed or stamped Transcript, one may contact the Academic Affairs Secretaries at the Faculty of Humanities (hum-opintotiimi@utu.fi)

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