



"Studying languages has opened doors to understanding communication and to the ability to work in an international environment. Knowledge of a different language and culture makes us more flexible and open to new ways of thinking. My studies have provided me with an excellent background to work as a specialist in the field of culture and communication."

(Maija Toivonen, Ornamo, Organization of specialists in design, German)



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MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME

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EC2U: A Master's Degree Programme in European Languages, Cultures and Societies in Contact (120 ECTS)

This international master's degree programme trains language professionals for a multilingual and multicultural world. It is part of the EC2U Alliance (European Campus of City-Universities) which means close co-operation between the universities of Turku (Finland), Poitiers (France), Jena (Germany), Pavia (Italy), Coimbra (Portugal) Salamanca (Spain) and Iasi (Roumainia).

You will study at least two semesters at one or more of the EC2U partner universities. After completing the programme, you will be awarded a Master's degree by all of the universities where you studied a minimum of 30 ECTS.

Major and Elective Courses at the University of Turku

At the University of Turku, you will study French or German as your major, but you may also include courses from Digital Language Studies or Finnish Culture Studies in your academic path. The choice of courses is large. You can influence the content of your master's degree by studying semesters in those partner universities that have the most appealing courses to offer you.

Career Options

The theoretical framework of the studies is interdisciplinary, embracing the fields of linguistic, culture and society from the perspective of diversity. This gives you a good background for working as an expert in European languages and language diversity and cultures for local, national and international bodies. Alternatively, you can conduct high-profile research in language and culturally related topics across Europe and proceed with a PhD programme.

Research in Scope

Teaching at the School of Languages and Translation Studies is based on research conducted at the University of Turku. The key areas of the French and German Departments are:

- Linguistic interaction and discourse in societies and organisations
- Digital communication in social media and with social robots
- Foreign-language learning and teaching
- French/German in multilingual European and global societies
- French and German cultural and global multilingual landscapes and contexts

Multilingual,
multicultural and
multidisciplinary –
Embrace studies of
linguistic and cultural
diversity at the
University of Turku

Studing at the University of Turku

Turku is located by the Baltic Sea. The sea and the archipelago give a special character to the oldest town in Finland. It provides a setting to suite many tastes. It is near to the sea and nature, and the town is also a lively cultural centre where science and the university have a visible and recognized place.

Turku is truly a student town. In fact, one-quarter of the town's inhabitants are students. There are student events all year long, organized by student clubs and associations. The Student Union of the University of Turku (TYY) offers free-time activities, and you may well find many more from the offer provided by local associations.

Combining studying and living in Turku is easy. The campus is situated near the town centre. There is a variety of choices for housing. The Turku Student Village association (TYS) offers different types of residences around town with a reasonable rate of rents. If you are an international student, you will have a peer tutor who will help you with all things necessary to get you settled in your new town.