



Practically-oriented Bachelor's Degrees in Finland

Would you like to get a higher education degree and graduate with proper work experience? Are you interested in studying in an international and innovative environment with good study facilities and support services? Are you already familiar with the various opportunities offered by the Finnish Universities of Applied Sciences (UAS)? Read along to learn more about our English-taught Bachelor's degree programmes!

Universities of Applied Sciences train future professionals

Finnish Higher Education is formed by two sectors: Universities and Universities of Applied Sciences. Universities of Applied Sciences train highly valued professionals for the needs of the future working life. Students gain a higher education degree while becoming experts within their own fields. The studies are implemented in close cooperation with working life e.g. in the form of practical training and projects. While traditional universities emphasise theory, UASs' strength is in applied research and practical development of working life. This is done by implementing the latest knowledge and innovations into practice.

Studies are practically-oriented

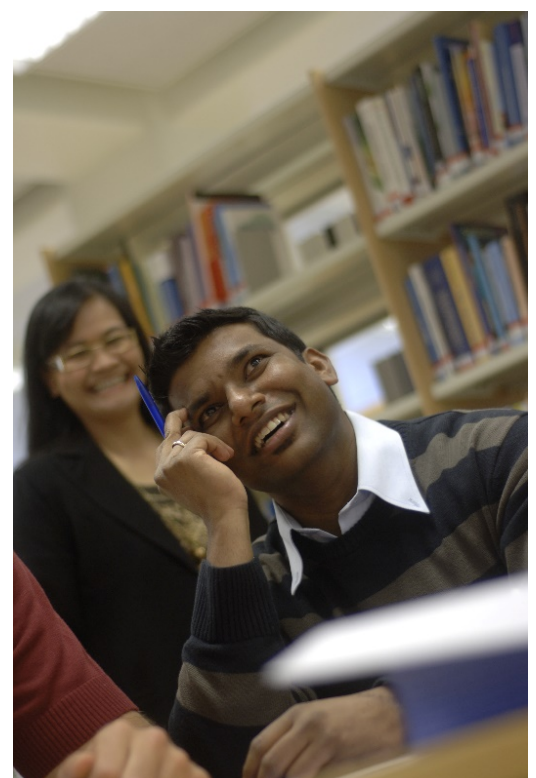
Studies in Universities of Applied Sciences are practically-oriented and give the students an excellent combination of hands-on skills and theoretical knowledge. Accordingly, the learning methods in UASs are in line with the principle of "learning by doing". Instead of just following lectures, students do a lot of small group work and are engaged in different kinds of projects. Co-operation with the world of work is an important element in the UAS education and practical training is a compulsory part of the studies.

Studies in English in several fields of study

Universities of Applied Sciences are multidisciplinary higher education institutions with various fields of study. Degrees awarded by Finnish UASs are in line with the European Qualifications Framework, the Bachelor's degrees corresponding to the level 6 on the EQF.

The 17 Universities of Applied Sciences that are part of the Finnish Network for International Programmes (FINNIPS) offer over 40 Bachelor's degree programmes conducted fully in English. These degree programmes represent eight different fields of study:

- Business and Administration
- Culture
- Health Care and Social Services
- Natural Resources
- Seafaring
- Sports





- Technology
- Tourism and Catering

See [the full list](#) of FINNIPS network's Universities of Applied Sciences and their English-taught Bachelor's Degree programmes.

Excellent facilities and support services

The study environments in Finnish UASs are innovative and make use of the latest technology. They have flexible learning spaces and top-quality laboratories. Many UASs also offer special learning labs and generators for creating business ideas and learning about entrepreneurship in practice.

In addition to studies in Finland, students are also encouraged to take part in exchange programmes. Finnish UASs have extensive international partnership networks which enable the students to study or to do an internship abroad.

Universities of applied sciences have special orientation programmes for international students. International and student

services, as well as well-established tutoring systems, ensure that all the students get not only academic guidance and counselling but also practical help with getting adjusted to the new living and studying environment. Furthermore, the UASs and student unions organize tutoring as well as numerous social, cultural and sports activities.

Tuition fees and scholarships

There are no tuition fees for citizens of EU/EEA countries in Finnish Universities of Applied Sciences. The tuition fees for students coming from outside the EU/EEA will come into effect as of 2017. The level of fees and scholarships differ from institution to institution and should be always checked from each UAS's own website. In the [Degree Programmes](#) section of the FINNIPS website you can find links to the tuition fee and scholarship information of the FINNIPS network's UASs. [Tuition fees and scholarships](#) section at the Study in Finland website and the [Am I required to pay tuition fees](#) section at the Studyinfo also provide further information on the topic.

Apply to Finnish UAS online on 10-25 January 2017

Students will be selected to the degree programmes through the Finnish national joint application system. The application period for 2017 will take place between 10 and 25 January 2017. Online application and more information on applying is available at the [Studyinfo](#) portal maintained by the Finnish National Board of Education.

After applying for admission according to the set procedures, all eligible applicants will be invited to take part in entrance examinations. The FINNIPS network arranges entrance examinations for the network's degree programmes in a selection of countries outside Finland. This cooperation offers an opportunity for the applicants to take the exam in their home or in a neighbouring country instead of travelling to Finland for the tests. See more information on the [entrance exams and countries](#) at the FINNIPS website.