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Information for exchange students  
Studying at TUT  
City of Tampere  
Tampere tourist information  
www.visittampere.fi/
Application Periods

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Application Procedure

Teaching periods 1 and 2 are during autumn semester (August- December) and teaching periods 3 and 4 during spring semester (January-May).

1) Applications are to be delivered on-line only. The link to the on-line system and the instructions on how to apply will be sent to nominated students after receiving nominations from our partner universities.

2) Official transcripts of university records and their English translations and a soft copy of the applicant's photo are to be scanned and delivered online.

3) Students of architecture are also required to attach a portfolio (pdf) to the online application. Students of architecture should also have finished their bachelor’s degrees and be at least in their 4th year of studies when coming at TUT.

The link to the online application is not published on our web pages. More detailed information on application requirements will be sent closer to the application period.

Study Guide

Most of the courses listed in the Study Guide are available for exchange students also ([http://www.tut.fi/en/admissions/exchange-studies/index.htm](http://www.tut.fi/en/admissions/exchange-studies/index.htm)). Study guide 2018-2019 will be available in the beginning of April 2018. Exchange students can take courses from all the faculties/ laboratories, exceptions in the School of Architecture (courses for Architecture major students only, portfolio required when applying). Majority of courses lectured in English are of advanced level and may require previous studies in the field concerned. Students are responsible by themselves about the prerequisites of the courses. Students need to prepare a flexible study plan, places in the courses, especially in the language courses, cannot be guaranteed.

Thesis or any kind of project work is always a special arrangement as they are not a part of the ECTS curriculum. Students cannot be guaranteed to be accepted for a thesis/ project work.

Facilities and Services

- Orientation in the beginning of both semesters.
- Trained and helpful student tutors.
- Campus restaurants offering quality food at affordable student prices.
- University library services and computer class rooms.
- Excellent sports facilities at campus.
- Free basic medical treatment from the Finnish Student Health Service (YTHS).
- Student activities arranged by a multitude of clubs; trips and excursions organized by International Student’s Club and student tutors.
Accommodation

Student housing in the Tampere area is mainly administrated by the Tampere Student Housing Foundation (TOAS), which maintains and rents out student accommodation. Many of the exchange students coming to TUT will be designated accommodation within a walking distance from TUT. TOAS makes only fixed tenancy agreements, which cannot be terminated in the middle of the semester.

TOAS web page (http://www.toas.fi/en) gives more detailed information about the application periods, procedure, rules and regulations. The rent in a student apartment varies between EUR 250-400 per month. Student apartments are usually two-or three-bedroom apartments, where the student has a single study-bedroom and shares a kitchen and a bathroom with the other students in the apartment. The laundry facilities are located in the basement of each building. Student apartments are equipped only with basic furniture including a bed with a mattress, a desk and a chair, a shelf and a kitchen table with chairs.

TOAS Student Housing Office P.O. Box 423 FI-33101 Tampere, FINLAND, Tel: 0800 95560, email: toasoffice@toas.fi

Residence Permit/ Health Insurance

The Schengen countries have agreed on what countries are free of visa requirements and what countries are under visa obligations. **Students coming from outside of EU/EEA countries** need to apply for a residence permit. The residence permit must be applied for at the nearest Finnish embassy or consulate well in advance before leaving for Finland. The reason for entry must be stated clearly (studies) in the residence permit application form. The application can be submitted electronically. A student needs to present a proof of funds of 560 euros a month or 6 720 euros for one year in order to apply for a residence permit.

Students need also an appropriate health insurance when applying for a residence permit. Health insurance should be valid for the whole duration of student’s stay in Finland.

For more information on visas and residence permits, please visit the web pages of Finnish Immigration Service: http://www.migri.fi > In English > Studying.

**Students from EU/EEA and Switzerland**: Obtain a European Health Insurance Card from your home country before your departure to Finland.
Estimated Living Expenses

Rent in student accommodation
- EUR 250-450 per month

Food/ meals
- Approximately EUR 300 per month. Lunch at the university restaurant costs approximately EUR 3 per meal.

Local transportation
- EUR 30-40 per month

Personal Expenses
- Approximately EUR 150 per month

Other administrative fees
- Student Union membership is compulsory for all students except for doctoral students to whom the Student Union membership is optional. Student union membership fee is (2018-2019) EUR 56.25 for a semester and EUR 112.50 per academic year.

All members of the Student Union will get a Student Card. By showing the Student Card, student will get various services and benefits, such as discounts at the student restaurants, free basic medical treatment from the Finnish Student Health Service (YTHS) and 50% discount on train and coach tickets. In addition, the student will get discounts on pharmacies, museums, theatres, concerts and some shops.

Academic Calendar 2018-2019

**Autumn 2018**

- Orientation: week 34 20.08.2018 - 24.08.2018
- 1st period: week 35-41 27.08.2018 - 12.10.2018
  - Exam week 42 15.10.2018 - 19.10.2018
- 2nd period: weeks 43-49 22.10.2018 - 07.12.2018
- Christmas break 21.12.2018 - 06.01.2019

**Spring 2019**

- Orientation: week 1 02.01.2019 - 04.01.2019
- 3rd period: weeks 2-8 07.01.2019 - 22.02.2019
  - Exam week 9 25.02.2019 - 01.03.2019
- 4th period: weeks 10-17 04.03.2019 - 26.04.2019
  - Easter break 17.04.2019 - 23.04.2019
  - Exam weeks 18-19 02.05.2019 - 10.05.2019

**Summer 2019**

- weeks 20-33 13.05.2019 - 16.08.2019