

The University of Vaasa is a multidisciplinary University offering degrees at all academic levels from Bachelor's to Doctor's. The teaching and research activities of the University focus on business studies, administration, technology, languages and communication. The maritime campus offers a modern study environment for approximately 5 000 students. International student exchange is vivid at the University of Vaasa. The international students and teachers bring multicultural spirit to the campus. About 30 % of the annual student intake completes part of their studies abroad and the number of international students annually on campus is around 11 %. The University offers exchange opportunities to all students wishing to go abroad with partnerships in more than 35 countries worldwide. In addition, the University of Vaasa offers five master's programmes for international students and ten non-degree programmes for exchange students. The University of Vaasa offers studies in business, languages, culture and communications, administration, and technology. Studies in the Faculty of Business Studies consist of all business sciences (management and organisations, accounting and finance, and marketing), economics, and business law. The Faculty also offers studies in entrepreneurship. The Faculty of Philosophy brings together the academic fields of Administrative Sciences and Languages and Communication. The faculty offers studies in regional studies, administrative science, public law, social and health administration, sociology, English language, modern Swedish and other Scandinavian languages, German language and literature, and communications. Faculty of Technology offers studies in automation technology, electrical engineering, telecommunication engineering, computer science, and industrial management.

The faculty also teaches physics, material science, mathematics, business mathematics, and statistics.

The University of Vaasa is a multidisciplinary University offering degrees at all academic levels from Bachelor's to Doctor's. It works in close cooperation with its surrounding region of Ostrobothnia and values internationalisation in its degrees and research. The teaching and research activities of the University are widely based, their focus being on business studies, administration, technology, languages and culture. The maritime campus offers a modern study environment for 5000 students. The University functions in three faculties. Flexible opportunities for studying are among the strengths of our academic community. The business studies teaching and research of the University are of high national standard, and the University of Vaasa is the second largest provider of business studies in Finland. The University of Vaasa occupies one of Finland's newest campus areas close to the sea. Two of the faculties are situated in a former Cotton Mill, which has been skillfully renovated. There are also apartments for visiting guest lecturers as well as students' lodgins in traditional Finnish wooden houses in the area. The modern Finnish architecture along with the old buildings creates an interesting milieu. The campus is located in Palosaari, an area about 15 minutes' walk from the centre of Vaasa. The geographical position and Nordic innovation of Finland have brought various nuances into academic education and research. In addition to Nordic economics, one typical aspect and speciality of the University of Vaasa is its familiarity and contacts with the economic region of the East. Another field of expertise us the comparative study of the structures of the Nordic welfare state from an international point of view. Swedish as well as Finnish and the cultures of these two linguistic groups can be most effectively studied in their natural bilingual environment. International student exchange is vivid at the University of Vaasa. The international students and teachers bring multicultural spirit to our campus. About 30 % of the annual student intake completes part of their studies abroad.

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