



Moi! Hej! Hello! Salut! Hola!

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Language and
communication studies at
Aalto University Language
Centre

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Let's learn Finnish in 1 minute

Moi!

Mä oon...

I am...

Kiva tavata!

Nice to meet you!

Samoin!

Likewise!

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Why learn Finnish?

- Language is key to accessing information, understanding the local culture and being able to fully enjoy life in the country.
- Understanding of the local language promotes
 - a sense of belonging in the communities around you
 - and reduces feelings of being an outsider.
- Even basic knowledge of the local language makes it easier to navigate daily life and to build social connections.



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Finnish courses at Aalto

- We offer Finnish courses in beginner, intermediate, and advanced level registration for the courses is now open.
- Courses for half-year exchange students
 - LC-7003 Survival Finnish Online (1 cr)
 - LC-7004 Survival Finnish 1 (1 cr)
 - LC-7005 Survival Finnish 2 (1 cr)
 - LC-7009 Get to know Finland (1 cr)
- Courses for one-year exchange students:
 - Finnish 1-8 (3 cr)
 - Finnish for specific fields (3 cr)
 - Finnish for work (3 cr)



What are the courses like?

- The Finnish courses focus on learning and developing practical language skills
 - You can start using the language right away in real-life situations after your first class!
- The courses are interactive, with lots of talking and fun activities in pairs and groups.
- The courses aim at promoting everyday language skills and language use outside the classroom.



What has been said about the Finnish courses

"What I learned in Finnish lessons is much more than just language."

"I just took this course to learn the very basics but now I am interested in learning more and taking it further."

"The lessons are **engaging** and **interesting**."

"Ample amount of talking, fun and interactive courses!"

"The learning environment was comfortable and encouraging."



Other language and communication studies at Aalto **University Language Centre**

Languages

Finnish, English, Swedish, Chinese, French, German, Portuguese, Spanish, Russian, Japanese

Intercultural communication

Communication and Social Interaction





Intercultural communication courses

- LC-0610 Intercultural Communication (3 cr)
 - Onsite: Period 1 & Period 3
 - Online: Period 5
- LC-0615 Intercultural Communication in Teamwork (3 cr)
 - Onsite: Period 2 & Period 4
- LC-0614 Developing Global Competence: Working in an International Virtual Team (2 cr):
 - Online: Period 2

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Develop your Communication and Social Interaction skills!

- LC-0320 Public speaking skills D (3 cr)
- LC-0530 Public speaking and stage fright D (2–3 cr)
- LC-0550 Communication Skills D (2–3 cr)
- LC-0560 Interaction in teams and projects (2–3 cr)
- LC-0520 Impact and argumentation D (2–3 cr)
- LC-0510 Conference presentations D (1–2 cr)
- LC-0350 Listening (1 cr)

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Further information

Student guide: Language and communication studies

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