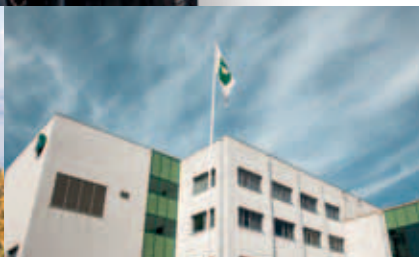


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NKUAS INVITES YOU TO STUDY!

North Karelia University of Applied Sciences (NKUAS) is the easternmost university of applied sciences in Finland and the European Union. We operate in North Karelia, which is itself the easternmost province of Finland. NKUAS provides education as a part of the European and national system of higher education. Our education provides an efficient high-quality answer to the growing demand for an expert labour force. Our goal is to respond to the demands of modern working life with excellence and efficiency.

North Karelia University of Applied Sciences (NKUAS) offers education leading to Bachelor's degree in 18 degree programmes and in 3 Master degree programmes in seven fields of study. The innovative learning environment, quality teaching and active cooperation with working life make sure that your degree and level of competence are fundamentally sound for future challenges.

The degree programmes are confirmed by the Ministry of Education. Two of the bachelor programmes are taught in English:

- Degree Programme in Design
- Degree Programme in International Business



NKUAS plays an active role in regional development work and research and development activity. Down-to-earth cooperation extends from the business life of the region up to the active networks of the international institutions of higher education and different organisations. As far as its impact on regional development is concerned, NKUAS is one of the best universities of applied sciences in Finland.

NKUAS operates in Joensuu at 5 centres on 4 different campuses, where we have approximately 4,000 students and 400 staff members. The centres are multi-field learning and development environments that enable study possibilities across the boundaries of different degree programmes.

[Welcome to study with us!](#)



Campuses

Sirkkala Campus

Degree Programmes in International Business, Design (instruction in English or Finnish), Rural Industries and Forestry

Wärtsilä Campus

Degree Programmes in Mechanical and Production Engineering, Plastics Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Information Technology, Environmental Technology and Business Economics

Joensuu Science Park Campus

Degree Programmes in Business Information Technology, Music, Communication and Tourism

Tikkariinne Campus

Degree Programmes in Biomedical Sciences, Physiotherapy, Nursing and Social Services

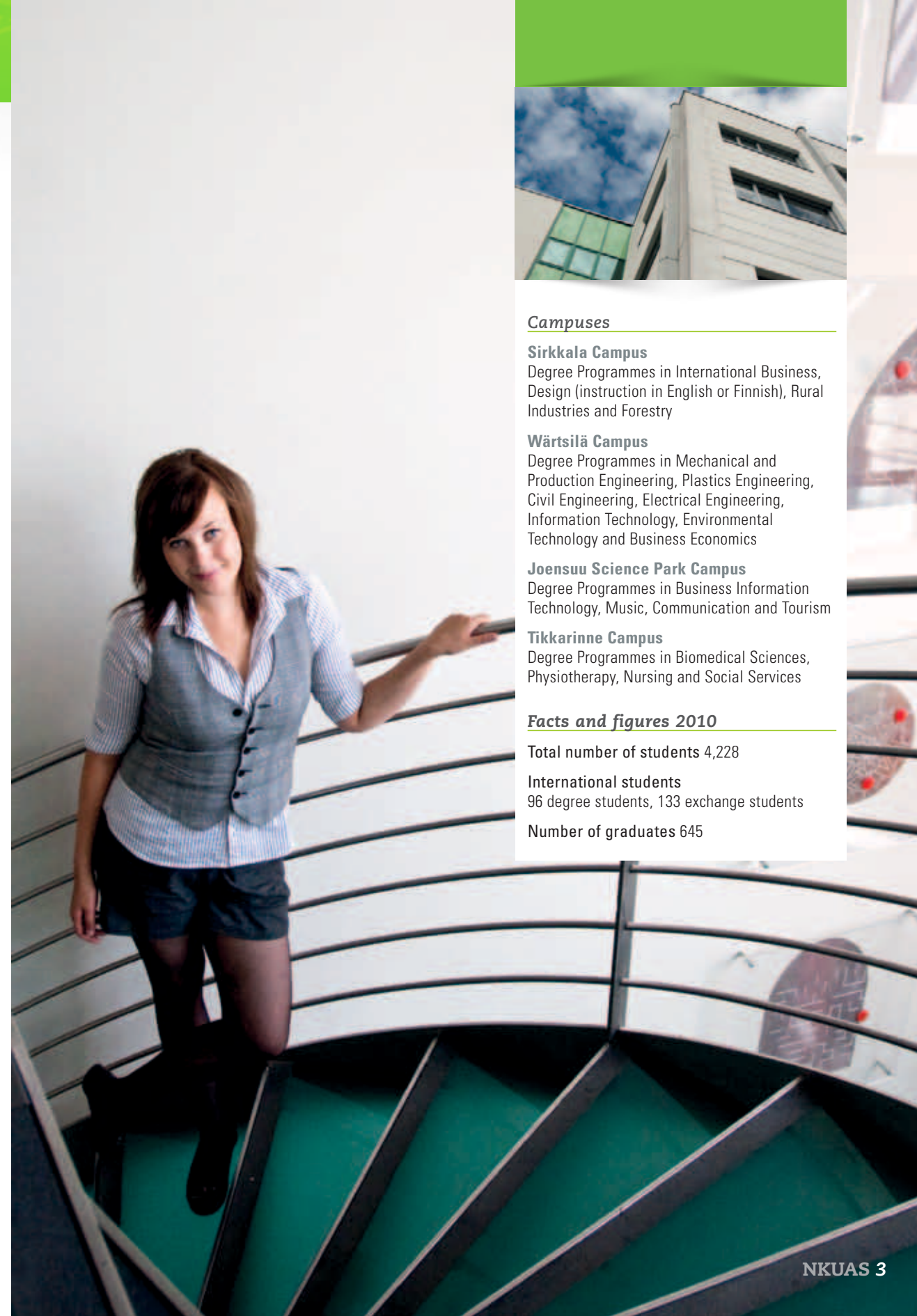
Facts and figures 2010

Total number of students 4,228

International students

96 degree students, 133 exchange students

Number of graduates 645



STUDYING IN JOENSUU, FINLAND

Facts and figures about Finland

Population 5.4 million, 15.8 inhabitants per km²

Spoken languages Finnish, Swedish, Samí
(English widely spoken)

Form of government Republic, parliamentary
democracy

International cooperation Member of United
Nations since 1955 and European Union since
1995

GDP per capita 33,618 Euros (2010)

Currency unit Euro

Capital Helsinki (1.25 million inhabitants in
metropolitan area)

Climate Cold winters and fairly warm summers
(2010 extremes: coldest day in Kuhmo -41.3 C/-
42.3 F, warmest day in Joensuu 37.2 C/99.0 F)

Source: Statistics Finland

THE CITY OF JOENSUU

- is the lively capital of the North Karelia region.
- is a multicultural city. When people meet, they create new dynamics, thoughts and innovations, and so increase the vibrance of the city.
- is the meeting place of the Eastern and Western religions and cultures as it is located next to the Russian border. The town was established in 1848 by the Czar Nikolai I of Russia and today Russia is one of the leading partners in Finland's foreign trade.
- is the forestry capital of Europe with a stronghold in research.

Finland is a pretty great place to be—the best, actually. The magazine Newsweek's study in 2010 on living conditions in 100 countries ranked Finland as the best country to live in. The analysis examined factors such as education and health care, quality of life, economic dynamism (the openness of a country's economy and the breadth of its corporate sector), and political environment. Finland ranked the highest overall and comes in as the best small country, the best high-income country, and the best country for education.

Education is highly valued in Finland. The high standard of education forms one of the corner stones of the Finnish national strategy, which is based on a desire to develop the country as an information society. For foreign students, studying and training in Finland offers a safe and at the same time exotic way to acquire academic and professional experience, as well as to gain personal growth through living in a foreign country and culture.

Finland is situated in northern Europe and neighbours Sweden, Norway and Russia. Due to its northerly position the four seasons of the year are very distinct from each other. The temperatures can differ from winter's minus 30 degrees Celsius to summer's 30 degrees Celsius. Due to the low humidity, however, the climate is actually not as cold as temperature readings might seem to indicate.

Owing to its location, Finland's unique culture has been influenced by both Scandinavian and Russian cultures. Its nature and northern geographic setting are Finland's most treasured characteristics. Finland has two official languages, Finnish and Swedish. English has become the most popular foreign language and is widely spoken.

JOENSUU – THE STUDENT CAPITAL OF EASTERN FINLAND

Joensuu is the student capital of eastern Finland and all you need is only a walk away. Here you can meet the relaxed and social Karelian lifestyle, the joy of life being its distinctive feature.

Joensuu can be called the student capital of eastern Finland for a reason, because the city hosts as many as

three higher education institutions. Other educational institutions include a number of vocational colleges and upper secondary schools. During the academic year, 25 % of the 72,000 inhabitants are students. The impact of education and research is realised both in the supply of educated labour force and strong product development in the region. Furthermore, the high number of students contributes to the versatility of services and the lively culture in the city.

The student housing company Joensuun Elli provides students with flats ranging from affordable shared flats in the outskirts of the city centre to single-room studios next to main streets. A room in a shared student flat costs 160€ - 260€ / month + internet connection. In a city of cyclists you can easily reach both the city centre and your campus by bike.

An active student life in Joensuu can be tailored to your own preferences. The city offers creative opportunities for the leisure time: if you like sports, there are about 60 different sports in about 100 sports clubs. The facilities vary from indoor swimming pools, skate ramps and climbing walls to football fields, ice skating rinks and skiing slopes. Cultural activities include concerts from classical music to rock and jazz, fine art exhibitions, cinemas and dance performances. You can also realise your own creativity as the clubs and stages in Joensuu also welcome newcomers.

The unspoiled nature of vast forests and dozens of lakes that surrounds Joensuu is also distinctive to the entire region. You can find ways of relaxation by hiking, fishing and birdwatching.

STUDY FEES AND LIVING EXPENSES

Tuition is free-of-charge in degree-awarding education at the NKUAS, but you should be able to pay for your food, lodging, social life, etc. Living expenses are relatively high in Finland, although in Joensuu the living costs are lower than in the capital area or larger cities. The average living costs for a single student are approximately 500 Euros per month. Since international students can work in Finland only on a restricted basis and there is a lot of competition for part-time jobs in Joensuu, you should not count on financing studies by working.



BACHELOR OF CULTURE AND ARTS

Degree Programme in Design

A designer has the opportunity to work on tasks related to innovation, product & service design and development and marketing. A designer can be employed, for example, by design and marketing consultancies, trade or production industry. Alternatively, a design professional can work as a self-employed entrepreneur.

Graduates' core competences include innovation and industrial design skills. Because of these skills, the graduate can, for instance, produce ideas, understand the users, analyse situations and has competences in visual communication and product and service concept creation. The studies in the degree programmes in Design and International Business are partly combined. Multidisciplinary studies of design and business guarantee you an extensive know-how and increase career opportunities.

The aim of the education in industrial design is to grant extensive and versatile knowledge in innovative and user-driven design techniques. The education is based on applying design processes to product and service concept design. The study curriculum emphasises learning and the creation of knowledge in multidisciplinary and multicultural environments and development teams. Specialisation opportunities are provided by further international business studies, optional study modules, company projects, entrepreneurship possibilities and studies abroad.

Degree Programme in Design

Degree title:	Bachelor of Culture and Arts
Extent and duration:	240 credits; 4 academic years
Location:	Sirkkalantie 12 A, 80100 Joensuu, Finland
Intake:	40
Language of tuition:	English

For more information on studies
designbusiness@pkamk.fi

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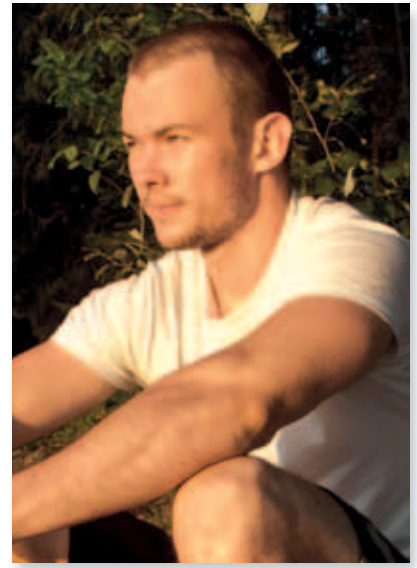


Shane 2nd year design student

I've always been fascinated in the fact that everything you look at, aside from nature, was planned out and designed by someone. I chose to study at NKUAS for two reasons. The city: Joensuu is a great little city with a lot of great people. Business: My plan has always been to start a company with my own products. NKUAS has business classes within the Design curriculum. Being a student you have open doors to incredible amounts of help making your goal of starting a company a reality.

So far I've studied Design for one year. We have learned about graphics design, working with our hands designing and creating products. You also learn how to use machinery to build models. We had business classes in which we developed a business idea and presented to an investor. We went to Helsinki to see how design companies work and visited a furniture fair in Stockholm.

I enjoy studying in Finland. The school is a very laid back study environment. The teachers are all down to earth and everyone is very helpful. For me, Joensuu and NKUAS was everything I hoped for and more. I'm from Florida but after coming here I don't ever want to go back. This is a great place to be!

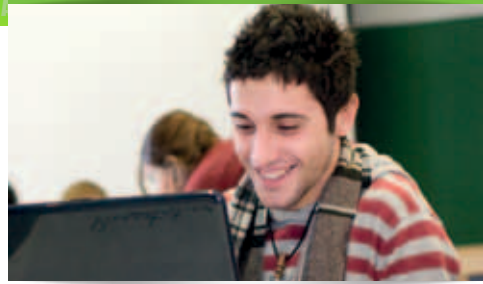


Riikka 4th year design student

I chose to study industrial design because of its opportunities being taught in English. By having a design degree in English the opportunities to work all over the world are much higher. I've always enjoyed drawing, painting, etc. and this seemed as the perfect combination of creativity and artistic skills.

I have just finished my 3rd year of study. In our first year it was mainly Design Basics; working in the workshop, drawing, and how to work with everything. We also had Business courses. Second year we expanded some more on different design fields - graphic, 3D, web design. The first semester of my third year I went on my study exchange to the Sunshine Coast, Australia. My 5 months there taught me so much about studying and working with different cultures. Also being able to travel around Australia and New Zealand helped me to grow as a designer. During the final semester of my 3rd year, I began to focus on my design identity and what I want to begin working on in the future. My fourth year will start out by finishing my final work practice (which I will do in the USA) and writing my thesis.





Degree Programme in International Business

Degree title:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Extent and duration:	210 credits; 3.5 academic years
Location:	Sirkkalantie 12 A, 80100 Joensuu, Finland
Intake:	40
Language of tuition:	English

For more information on studies

designbusiness@pkamk.fi

For more information on application procedure

admissions@pkamk.fi

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Degree Programme in International Business

The degree of Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) guarantees work opportunities that are related to business management, marketing, export and import activities as well as product and service development. A BBA can operate both in business-to-business and in consumer market companies or work as a self-employed entrepreneur.

The graduates' core competences include expertise in global business and marketing. After the studies, you master the methods of marketing and international business in theory and practice, are able to do economic calculations, know innovative methods of working and work effortlessly in multicultural environments and teams. The studies in the Degree Programmes of Design and International Business are partly combined. Multidisciplinary studies of business and design guarantee an extensive know-how and increase your career opportunities.

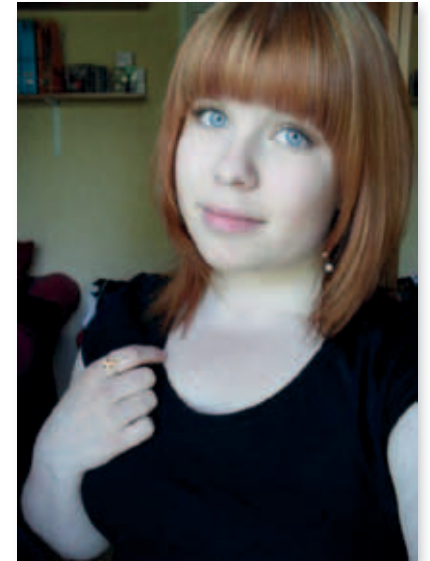
You receive knowledge and skills in global business through studies in successful business factors and marketing. Market-driven approaches to innovations are emphasised in the studies. Specialisation opportunities for building a competitive occupational profile are provided by optional study modules, company projects, entrepreneurship possibilities as well as studies and training periods abroad. One specialisation option is to specialise in Russia's growing markets. In addition to the studies in the Russian language, the degree programme provides a possibility to familiarise oneself with the Russian business culture through tailored, semester-long studies in St. Petersburg at one of the top-rated universities in Russia.



Camilla 2nd year International Business student

I chose to study International Business because languages, cultures and business interest me. So far I have had studies for example of culture, economics and marketing. My aim in the future is to go to Germany or New York to work in the field of business economics. We have also had projects with design students and a study trip to Lithuania, which was awesome!

Studying in general is time consuming but rewarding when you have tried your best and succeeded. In Finland, we have a study culture where everyone is equal, and we have relaxed relationships with the teachers, so we can ask anything at any time. At school we have quite small study groups so we get to know each other quickly and so do the teachers. The atmosphere is international because we have so many nationalities as degree students and exchange students. Student life is a constant balance between studying and having fun. Many times after classes we go out somewhere together and also organise parties with other degree programmes' students.



Saana 2nd year International Business student

I wanted to study in this field because I want to work abroad. The certificate you get from this degree programme will be accepted as such in foreign companies. I am also interested in other cultures. There are a lot of exchange students and foreign degree students at the campus, so it is possible to learn a lot about other cultures and customs already while studying, which has been very interesting.

I have never been entirely sure of what I want to study and what I want to become. I am glad that in this university, I have really felt that this is the right field for me. In other words, the subjects of the lectures have been interesting. Another great thing has been my friends! When you study in a certain field and you like it, you notice that the other students in that field have similar interests and you get along well with them. We have a great group of people here and I am glad I have made so many new friends. Our campus is quite small, but I personally like it: it is nice to be able to talk with the teachers even outside the classroom. In addition, Joensuu is a nice small, student friendly town.



CURRICULA AT NKUAS

The curricula are based on the competences required by working life. The professional growth of the student is signposted by annual study themes, which illustrate the knowledge and skills that are focused on and enhanced during each academic year. Academic years are further divided into study modules and courses.

International Business: annual study themes

1st year: Successful Business

- Elements of Successful Business (30 crs)
- Analysing the Market (30 crs)

2nd year: Global Business Management

- Global Business Strategies (30 crs)
- International Business Operations (30 crs)

3rd year: Specialisation in Global Business

- Specialisation in Business (30 crs)
- Experiences in Global Business Context (30 crs)

4th year: Entering Global Labour Market

- Proof of the Expertise (30 crs)

Design: annual study themes

1st year: Design in the Marketplace

- User-driven Design (30 crs)
- Design in the Business World (30 crs)

2nd year: Design as a Management Tool

- System Design (30 crs)
- Design Management (30 crs)

3rd year: My Specialisation in Design

- Experiences in Global Design Context (30 crs)
- Interdisciplinary Design (30 crs)

4th year: Connecting with the Working Life

- Professional Networking (30 crs)
- Proof of the Expertise (30 crs)

STUDYING DESIGN OR BUSINESS

The studies in the Degree Programmes of Design and International Business are partly combined. The multidisciplinary studies of business and design guarantee you an extensive know-how and increase your career opportunities.

You have several different opportunities to gain international experience. The education includes study and training periods abroad. Training in companies, studies at partner universities, and study trips provide practical experiences in international operations. Studies and training abroad provide you with an opportunity to tailor your studies.

The Programmes apply the project-based learning method which consists of real company-based projects. In these projects, the theoretical studies are applied to real case projects. Another method used is INNOstudio®, a development service which aims at supporting client's innovation processes by organising innovation workshops where innovative thinking processes and methods as well as multidisciplinary expertise are put into use.

GUIDANCE AND COUNSELLING

The aim of student counselling is to support your individual growth and professional development. Student counselling is carried out by the counsellors, a student psychologist, tutoring teachers, lecturers, representatives of companies and tutor students.

CENTRE FOR DESIGN AND INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

The Centre forms the international DesignBusiness campus that employs 30 people in teaching, research tasks and in administration. There are about 350 students. A campus with programmes taught in English and students and staff members from diverse cultural backgrounds offer everyday possibilities to develop intercultural competence. At the campus, you enjoy a relaxed and inclusive learning environment.





TIMETABLE FOR APPLICATION

ADMISSION

14 February 2012
by 4:15 p.m. Finnish time

- Application period ends.

24 February 2012
by 4:15 p.m. Finnish time

- An applicant applying with non-Finnish qualifications: Provide a copy of the original school certificate and copy of an official translation in Finnish, Swedish or English to the admissions office of the first choice UAS. The translation must have the translator's signature and stamp.
- Applicant who is not a citizen of an EU/EEA –country: Provide certificate of your English language skills to the admissions office of the first choice UAS.
- Applicant applying with a Finnish competence based specialist vocational qualification or a competence based further vocational qualification: Provide a copy of the original school certificate to the admissions office of the first choice UAS.
- Applicant who is a refugee: Send the copy of the decision proving the status to the admissions office of the first choice UAS.
- Applicant applying with discretionary admission: Provide the motivation letter form with enclosures to the NKUAS's Admissions Office.

11 - 20 April 2012

- FINNIPS network organises entrance examinations in several countries. Detailed information www.pkamk.fi.

16 April 2012

- Entrance examination in Joensuu, Finland and Petrozavodsk, Russia for the **Degree Programme in Design**.
- All applicants with general eligibility will be invited to the entrance examination.

25 April 2012

- Joint entrance examination for all **IB programmes**.
- Entrance examination in Petrozavodsk, Russia.
- All applicants with general eligibility will be invited to the entrance examination.

In Finland, applying to programmes conducted in English at a university of applied sciences (UAS) takes place through a system of joint application. You can choose at most four (4) different options. The order of preference chosen in the application is binding and cannot be altered after the application period closes.

HOW TO APPLY

Apply online at www.admissions.fi during 9 January – 14 February 2012. Application must be submitted before the end of the application period, 14 February 2012 at 4:15 pm Finnish time.

The online application service instructs you how to fill in the application form. It is important to follow all the instructions carefully.

If North Karelia University of Applied Sciences is your first choice of universities of applied sciences, send copies of all required certificates to the **Admissions Office, North Karelia University of Applied Sciences, Tikkarinne 9, 80200 Joensuu, Finland** by 24 February 2012 at 4:15 pm Finnish time. Send copies by post; scanned or faxed copies will not be accepted.

The online application service gives you an applicant code. Please write down the code to the copies. This will help the admissions office to process your attachments.

The admission is conditional until NKUAS has checked the applicant's school and other relevant certificates. NKUAS may withdraw the admission if you have given false information or have presented a forged document.

For more detailed information please visit www.pkamk.fi and www.admissions.fi.

9 January 2012

- Application period starts online at www.admissions.fi. It is important to follow the instructions.

29 May 2012
at the earliest

- The results of the admission are announced by letter.

31 July 2012 by 4:15 p.m. Finnish time

- Admitted students must confirm the study place.

1 September 2012
Studies begin in Joensuu

January

February

April

May

July

September



WHO CAN APPLY?

GENERAL ADMISSION CRITERIA

General eligibility for the programmes is given by:

- International Baccalaureate, Reifeprüfung or European Baccalaureate examination
- a non-Finnish qualification or studies equivalent to the qualifications mentioned in this paragraph which gives eligibility for higher education in the awarding country
- completed Finnish upper secondary education or the Finnish matriculation examination
- a vocational college diploma or higher vocational diploma
- a vocational qualification of at least three years duration, completed in vocational upper secondary education and training, or an earlier corresponding qualification
- combined education programmes of at least three years duration
- a vocational qualification in adult education, further vocational qualification or specialist vocational qualification

Please note that a Bachelor's or Master's degree does not give the general eligibility for admission. You must apply with the degree obtained from the upper secondary school or equivalent (see above).

The educational qualification used in the joint application must be completed by 31 July 2012.

The educational qualification must be completed by the end of the application period, 14 February 2012, if the applicant is applying with:

- A degree completed in a foreign country, if the applicant is non-EU/EEA citizen
- A further vocational qualification
- A specialist vocational qualification

Applicants graduating in spring 2012

If you are an EU/EEA citizen graduating during spring 2012 with vocational qualification or completing upper secondary education you can apply with the qualification completed by 31 July 2012. Admission is conditional until the UAS has checked your final certificates.

Non-EU/EEA citizens: please see the discretionary admission.

Applicant who is a refugee or in a similar situation

If the qualifications obtained cannot be proven through documentary evidence, UAS can consider whether you can be invited to the entrance examination. You must prove your status by decision made by a competent authority and send a copy of the decision to the admissions office of the first choice UAS by 24 February 2012 at the latest.

Required documents for general admission

School certificates

Applicant applying with a non-Finnish qualification

In order to demonstrate eligibility to UAS studies, provide a copy of the original school certificate and copy of an official translation in Finnish, Swedish or English. The translation must have the translator's signature and stamp. Send certificates to the admissions office of the first-choice UAS by 24 February 2012. The UAS will then decide on the applicant's eligibility for all the options in the application. This does not apply to those applicants who are citizens of an EU/EEA-country completing the qualification in the spring of applying.

Applicant applying with a Finnish qualification

If you are applying with a Finnish qualification, you do not need to submit copies of the educational certificates. Copies of Finnish certificates will be requested of accepted students in connection with their confirmation of acceptance. **Exception:** if you are applying with a Finnish competence based specialist vocational qualification or a competence based further vocational qualification, you must provide a copy of the original certificate to the admissions office of your first preference UAS by 24 February 2012.

Applicant who is a refugee or in a similar situation

You must prove your refugee status with a decision made by a competent authority and send a copy of the decision to the admissions office of the first choice UAS by 24 February 2012 at the latest. A proof of language skills is required, see below.

Proof of language skills

Applicant applying with a non-EU/EEA-country qualification and who is not a citizen of an EU/EEA country

In order to prove your English language skills, you must fulfil one of the following minimum requirements and provide proof of it:

- IELTS score academic level 6.0 (www.ielts.org) or
- TOEFL score 550 paper-based test/ 79-80 internet-based test (www.ets.org/toefl) or
- Skills level 4 in English in the National Certificate of Language Proficiency (www.oph.fi => mobility => testing language skills)

Both TOEFL and IELTS test results are valid for two years. The National Certificate of Language Proficiency does not have a set date of validity. TOEFL score results are only accepted directly from the Educational Testing Service.

NKUAS' TOEFL code is 6209. Please use this code number when indicating NKUAS as a score recipient.

In addition, upper secondary level school education in English completed in Great Britain, Ireland, the United States, Canada, Australia or New Zealand or Bachelor's or Master's degree completed in English in one of these countries, is also accepted as a demonstration of sufficient English language skills. Bachelor's or Master's degree conducted in English in an EU/EEA -country is also accepted as a demonstration of sufficient English language skills.

The certificate copies must be delivered to the Admissions Office of your first choice UAS by 24 February 2012 at 4.15 p.m. Finnish time (+2hrs GMT). Send copies by post; scanned or faxed copies will not be accepted. Certificate copies delivered after the deadline will not be considered.

All applicants who have demonstrated their eligibility and language skills will be invited to the entrance examinations.

DISCRETIONARY ADMISSION CRITERIA

You can apply with discretionary admission

- If you are a non-EU/EEA citizen and applying with a non-Finnish qualification and you will receive your graduation certificate by 31 July 2012 and/or
- If you are a non-EU/EEA citizen who does not have the required proof of your language skills.

- If you have completed the minimum of 60 credits of studies belonging to the curriculum of the Degree Programme at NKUAS you are applying to.
- If you do not have a degree which gives you a general eligibility for admission, but the University of Applied Sciences has evaluated your skills and knowledge to be on an acceptable level in order for you to be studying in a University of Applied Sciences.

You can not apply at the same time in discretionary admission and in general admission.

Application procedure and required attachments for discretionary admission

Apply online at www.admissions.fi during the application period. Fill in the motivation letter form which you can find at www.pkamk.fi and send it together with school certificates to the NKUAS's Admissions Office by 24 February 2012. Print out the online application and attach a copy of it to your motivation letter form.

If you do not send the required documents by the deadline you will be excluded from the discretionary admission.

The degree programme you are applying to will evaluate and select applicants to be invited to the entrance examination on the basis of the applications and motivation letters. Student admission, however, will be conducted solely on the basis of the entrance examination. In order for you to be accepted, your score in the entrance examination must be above average. Admission is conditional until NKUAS has checked your final certificates.

Online application service gives you an applicant code. Please write down the code on the copies; this will help the admissions office to process your attachments.

CHANGING THE APPLICATION

The order of preference can **only** be changed during the application period.

Changes in address or other relevant personal details can be changed outside the application period.

All changes in the application or additional information must be sent in writing to the admissions office of the UAS of your first choice (by email).

Please give your applicant code when contacting the admissions offices!



ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS

All applicants who have demonstrated their eligibility and language skills will be invited to the entrance examinations. Discretionary admission: The Degree Programme evaluates applicants' motivation and selects qualified candidates to the entrance examination. Entrance examinations will be held in Joensuu, Finland and in Petrozavodsk, Russia.

NKUAS also participates Finnips network which organizes entrance examinations in several countries on 11 - 20 April 2012. Country specific information will be announced at www.pkamk.fi (at the latest on 1 November 2011). Study carefully the list of the entrance examination countries and neighboring countries. Applicants will be invited to the Finnips networks' entrance examination on the basis of their postal addresses given in the application form. Applicants residing in the neighboring countries will be invited to the entrance examination according to the list. It is also possible to take the entrance examination in Finland. The place for entrance examination cannot be altered.

ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS

Degree Programme in Design

1. Monday 16 April 2012, North Karelia University of Applied Sciences, Sirkkalantie 12 A, 80100 Joensuu, Finland
2. Monday 16 April 2012: Petrozavodsk, Russia - Detailed information on examination date and venue will be informed at www.pkamk.fi
3. 11 - 20 April 2012: Finnips entrance exam, see the list of dates and places at www.pkamk.fi (from 1 November 2011 onwards).

Please note, that applicants residing in the Republic of Karelia, Russia, will be invited to the entrance examination in Petrozavodsk.

Structure of the entrance examination (Admission groups 1 & 2, see p. 19):

Portfolio 30 points
Design assignment 70 points
Total 100 points

The design assignment includes the integrated language test, assessment passed or failed

You must hand in a portfolio of your design-related works (drawings, photographs, sketches etc.) as a basis for your application. Your portfolio should include Curriculum Vitae. See www.pkamk.fi for more information.

Applicants applying in admissions group 1: the total points of the entrance examination will be multiplied by 0.7.

The entrance examination is successfully passed if you get the minimum of 50 points. Language skills will be evaluated in the language test included in the entrance examination on a pass/fail basis. An applicant who fails the language test is withdrawn from the admission. If an applicant gets a 0 or 1 point on one of the examination sections, the entire exam is failed.

Only the entrance examination of North Karelia University of Applied Sciences is accepted (no co-operation with other Design programmes).

Degree Programme in International Business

1. Wednesday 25 April 2012, North Karelia University of Applied Sciences, Sirkkalantie 12 A, 80100 Joensuu, Finland
2. Wednesday 25 April 2012: Petrozavodsk, Russia - Detailed information on examination date and venue will be informed at www.pkamk.fi
3. 11 - 20 April 2012: Finnips entrance exam, see the list of dates and places at www.pkamk.fi (from 1 November 2011 onwards).

Please note, that applicants residing in the Republic of Karelia, Russia, will be invited to the entrance examination in Petrozavodsk.

Structure of the entrance examination (Admission groups 1 & 2, see p. 19):

Further information on the structure of the entrance examination can be found 1 November 2011 onwards at www.pkamk.fi

ADMISSION GROUPS

50% of the applicants will be admitted on the basis of the entrance examination only, and 50% on the basis of the combined points for previous school performance and the entrance examination. This provides an equal to apply with a non-Finnish qualification.

1. Admission on the basis of the total of points for school performance and the entrance examination

Applicants who have completed or are completing the Finnish matriculation examination, IB examination in a Finnish upper secondary school or the Reifeprüfung examination in Finland, or applicants who have completed the European Baccalaureate examination of European schools: applicants who are completing their Finnish matriculation examination during the application process apply with their latest upper secondary school certificate. Grades for the Matriculation examination are received from the Matriculation Examination register. The maximum total of admission points is 100, out of which at most 30 can be awarded for school performance and 70 for the entrance examination.

2. Admission on the basis of the entrance examination

Applicants with eligibility to apply to UAS studies not mentioned in section above, or whose eligibility to apply is based on non-Finnish qualifications: the admission of those completing an EB in a European school in the spring of the application is based only on the points awarded for the entrance examination. The admission of those EU/EEA-citizens who are completing their qualifications in the spring of applying is based only on the points awarded for the entrance examination. The maximum total of entrance examination points is 100.

HOW TO ACCEPT A STUDY PLACE?

Instructions for the admitted applicants

With the letter of admittance, you will receive a confirmation form. Make sure that you send the confirmation to NKUAS by 31 July 2012. Confirmation of the study place is binding and cannot be altered or cancelled.

The studies start with an orientation to studies, get-together events to meet students and staff, individual interview with the counsellor and tutoring teacher. The staff and peer tutors will assist you with all your questions also before the semester starts so do not hesitate to contact us!

One-place-per-student provision

You may accept only one study place leading to a higher education degree during one academic term (from 1 August to 31 December 2012, 1 January – 31 July 2013). Even if you postpone the commencement of studies with a year, or interrupt your studies, you cannot accept another study place for a degree programme starting in the same academic term.

Further information on the one-place-per student provision at www.koulutusnetti.fi – in English (the term polytechnic is used to refer to a UAS on this website)

Visa and residence permits

Students coming from countries outside of the European Union should visit the Finnish Immigration Service website at www.migri.fi

In addition to the residence permit, a student from a non-EU country needs to have valid health insurance issued by a reliable company or institution. Non-EU students who are studying in Finland in a full-time degree programme for the minimum of two years need health insurance that covers medical costs.

For further information on application procedure
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