

Welcome to WAT!

Master's Programme in Water and Environmental Engineering

WAT Orientation Days

Sept 7th-8th 2021

Please prepare to introduce yourself shortly

Who are here?

Hopefully all names are correct...

WAT
TEACHERS

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Riku Meeri Matti Teemu Juha
Planning officer at LES

*More info:
people.aalto.fi*

WAT
STUDENTS

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Pauliina Eemeli Juho Caroline Sergei Henrika Vilma

Väinö Ksenija Maiju Henri Nathan Riku Joonas
Daria Jasmin Trang My Yingxin Milla Sonja
Nordic5Tech: Maonan Camilla

Exchange students?

**SOMEONE'S
NAME
MISSING?
(or spelt wrongly?)**

WAT?

WAT = Water & Environmental Engineering

→ Our Master's Programme combines theory with practice, including case studies and project work

→ 6th year starting now:
really nice to see you all here!

Many great things!

- You! Skillful students with diverse backgrounds
→ You will also learn from each other
- Approach: student-centered & problem-oriented
- Programme-focus (not just a set of courses)
 - Portfolio process
→ Emphasis on learning (not just on credits)

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• Cross-cultural
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TOTAL 120 cr

COMMON COURSE 15 cr	ADVANCED COURSES 45 cr	SELECTED COURSE 10 cr	MAKING 10 cr
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Key contents related to the field combined with core computational methods in a broader context

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Coordinator: University Teacher (i)elti Maarit Karvonen
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Unique programme structure

- Only 15 credits of common courses
 - But that's intensive 1st period then!
 - Lot of freedom to plan your studies
= individualised study paths
- Major to be done in one year
 - 2nd year for elective courses:
you can do them also abroad!

**More on this
tomorrow and
during WAT-
E1100 course**



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Info on WAT

- "Everything is in Into!"

<https://into.aalto.fi/display/enwat>

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Questions?
You can also ask
them during
today's 'rastit' or
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Time for you to share your thoughts

*What are your
expectations
from WAT?*

Think first by yourself, then with a pair

YOU = GROUP OF EXPERTS

Diverse expertise: different fields, degrees, interests...

→ Three important ways to make use of your diversity

- 1) Portfolio & mentoring process = creating your Personal Learning Portfolio and discussing it with your fellow students
 - Combined with a mentoring process with WAT staff
 - Assessing your current levels of expertise in the WAT Course (= our common course), and reflecting your learning throughout the programme
- 2) Group work = most courses make use of group work activities
 - Be prepared (we'll practice it during WAT Course)
- 3) You and your mindset = be ready to learn from each other!
 - Be active + make your expertise & interests known, to us and to your fellow students
 - It's about learning & expertise, not (just) credits

EXPERTS, GET INTO YOUR GROUPS!

A key set of expertise = **X** ^{External applicants} + **A!** ^{Aalto applicants}

- IDEA: to combine the expertise from inside and outside Aalto, to share ideas, knowledge & skills + best practices

HOW: Make your Expert Hat based on your background:

Yellow: coming from Aalto

Bluegreen: coming from outside Aalto

→ Write your name clearly to your hat!

Getting to know each other

Before forming the groups, we'll help you to get to know each other using a COCKTAIL PARTY METHOD

→ 3 min chat with your fellow student
(changing the pairs every 3 minutes, for a few times)

With your pair, share 3 things:

1. Your name
2. Background
3. Interests

You have just 3 minutes, so be clear and concise + make sure both of you have the time to tell the 3 things!

Expert Hat Market: Forming the groups

TASK: form six groups of 4-6 experts,
including experts with both colours (+ possible exchange
student)

→ This will be your WAT Mentor Group

HOW: Akva tutors (with yellow hats) will form the 'seed persons'
for the groups, others can join any group they wish

*A few students will attend only the online orientation today, so some groups
will get new members this afternoon.*

It's your group!

- This will be your first (but not only) peer-support group during your studies:
- WAT Course group work also done in these groups
- Your task for this afternoon & tomorrow morning: get to know each other, and agree on how to present your group to others on Wed afternoon with a Group Presentation

→ Instructions in MyCourses (WAT-E1100, Orientation Days)

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1) Introductions: introduce yourselves to each other

→ Where you come from, what you have studied, why you decided to apply to WAT etc.

2) Recognising existing expertise

→ Discuss what kind of knowledge and skills each of you already has related to our water and environmental engineering field. How do your knowledge and skills differ?
Can you already think some ways that your expertise is complementary?

3) Expectations from the Master's studies

→ What do you expect from your studies? What kind of knowledge and skills you would like to get during your studies? What are your career plans and general dreams for life?

4) Take a 'usie' i.e. group selfie and include it the last page of your presentation, with your names (listed in the same order than you are in the photo).

→ you can e.g. take a screen shot from your virtual room or create a groupie using Photoshop, or whatever you find the most convenient for your group.

Presentation must include (as text, drawing, diagrams, images etc.) following elements:

- Number and name of your group as a poster title
- Names of each group member
- Group's 'identity', based on your background
- Group's existing expertise
- Key expectations from WAT Master's Programme
- Group picture with names

Document all these into your PowerPoint in a clear manner, so that you can present it (and thus your group) to others **in 10 minutes**. Submit the presentation to MyCourses submission box by Wed 8.9. at 13.00: <https://mycourses.aalto.fi/mod/assign/view.php?id=780464>

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Infopoints i.e. 'rastit'

- Start with the infopoint that has the same number than your group:
 - Group 1 = infopoint 1, Group 2 = infopoint 2 etc..
- Then go to the next number, 1→2→3→4→5→6
(note that after infopoint 6, you will go to infopoint 1 = 10min Break)

- 10min/infopoint + ~5min short break to change rooms

→ Infopoints start approximately at:

-10.30 -10.45 -11.00 -11.15 -11.30 - 11.45

→ We'll gather @Water Building main entrance before going into the first infopoints! Then pick one from you group to keep time.

My group!

After the infopoints, go to lunch with your group and:

- 1) Share your contact information with each other
- 2) Agree on your meeting time & place for tomorrow morning

-> You can also naturally start preparing your group work, but do note that you may still get additional student(s) to join your group online

Akva seed person will be the contact point for possible online group members – think together how to best work all together!

Practicalities about teaching

Teaching in Period I takes place both, at Otaniemi campus and online in Teams.

- If needed, (almost) all teaching can be participated online
- Follow carefully the information given in MyCourses!
- Most of the courses use Teams for online sessions, discussion & assistance in exercises – download join the Teams groups in time!
- Make sure to also follow your aalto.fi –email

Teaching @ Otaniemi on Mondays: mainly in Otakaari 4, hall 215
Lab & flume exercises: Water Building, Tietotie 1E / 1A1

- Water Building (Tietotie 1E) Lecture Hall 286/287 has also students' Coffee Corner, maintained by Akva
- Lockers in Computer class 229

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WAT Wednesday

- How was yesterday/this morning?
Any questions or comments?
- Related to our programme or research / rastiit?
 - Related to your group

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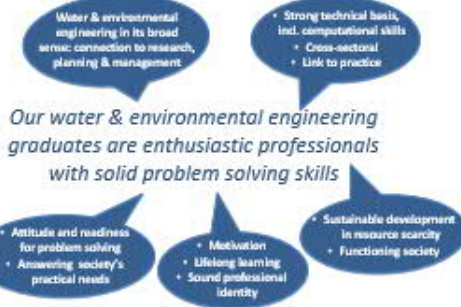
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→ Based on stakeholder feedback, including our WAT Alumni survey

Three study paths, corresponding with our research focus
-> Have bit different emphasis:
WAT Course gives more information about this

Employment and career of Aalto University water and environmental engineering alumni

WAT ALUMNI SURVEY RESULTS 2017

Alumni survey 2017 & Stakeholder survey 2019-20

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Stakeholder survey results 2020
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Stakeholders' perceptions of the development of the field,
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Julia Renko, Anni Kaikko and Meeri Karvinen



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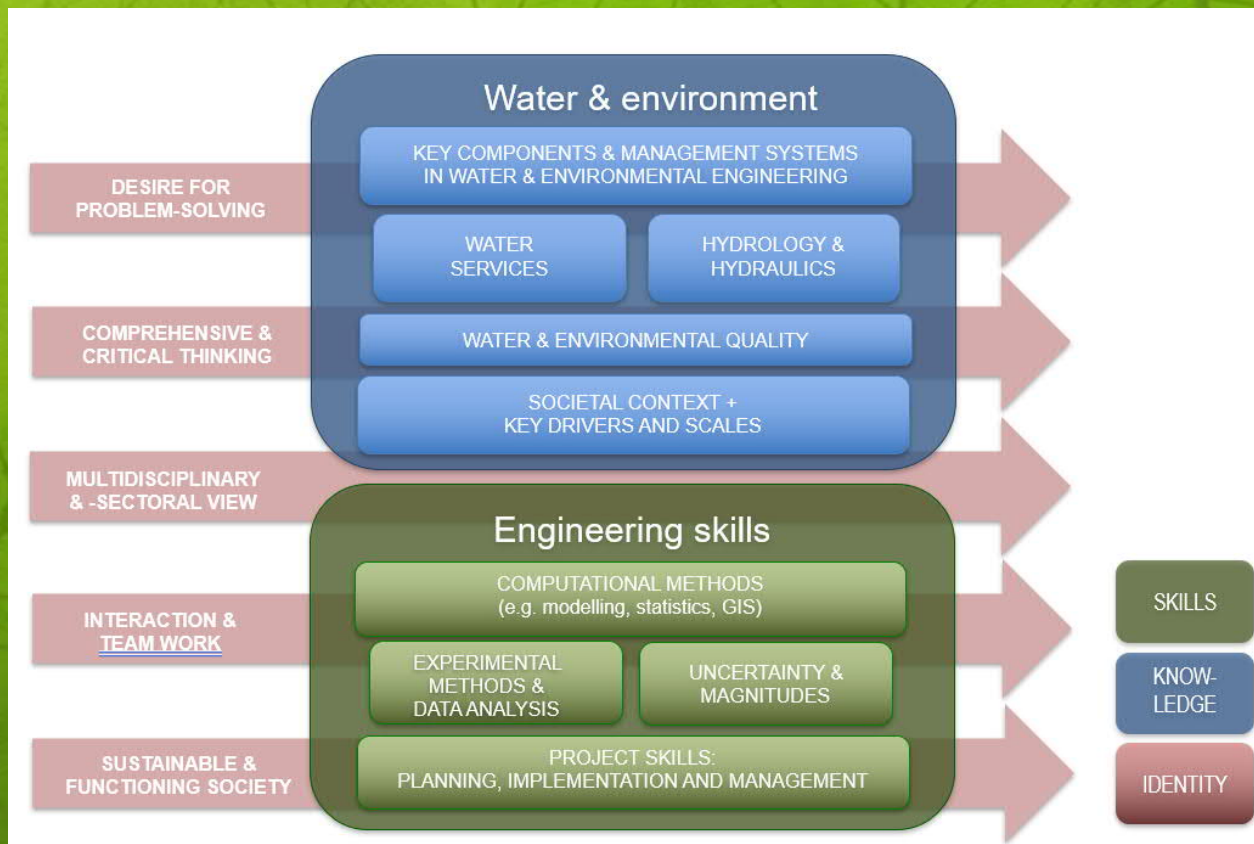
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WAT competences & ILOs

(i.e. our quality
promise
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Our graduate is able to:

ILOs: knowledge

- 1) Recognise the key components and management systems in water and environmental engineering, and understand the relevance of sustainability for the field
- 2) Understand the principles of the hydrological cycle and movements of water in natural and built environments
- 3) Define and differentiate the main sections of water services and environmental services, with focus on the treatment of water and waste water
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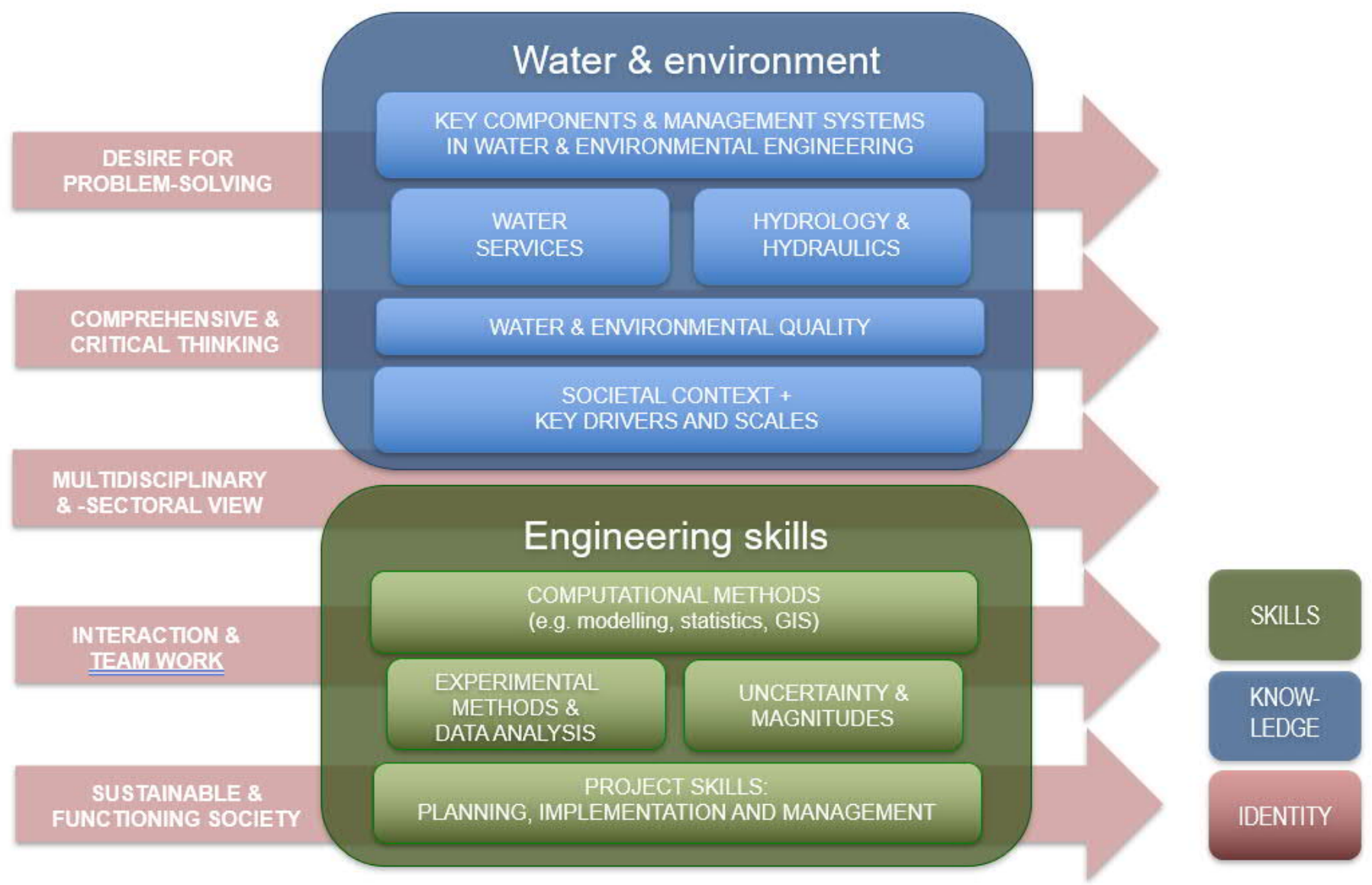
ILOs: skills

- 1) Apply key computational methods related to water and environmental engineering
- 2) Understand relevant experimental methods and data analysis processes, including the use of data archives
- 3) Comprehend uncertainty and different orders of magnitude related to the measurements, data analysis and modeling
- 4) Recognise and analyse the main components of water- and environment-related planning, implementation and management processes, and use related basic project skills

Our graduate:

ILOs: identity

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- 5) Promotes a sustainable and functioning society



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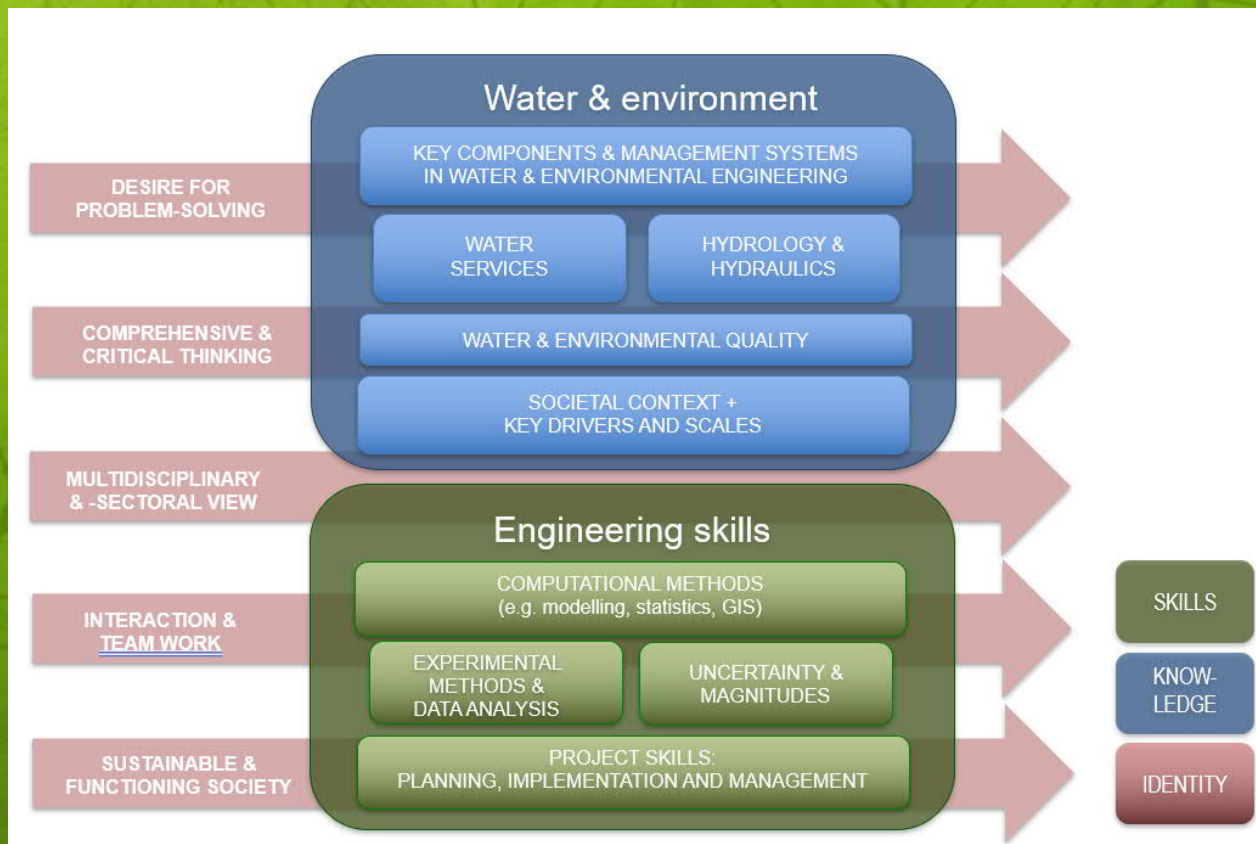
(i.e. general
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WAT competences & ILOs

(i.e. our quality
promise
for you and our field)



Our graduate is able to:

ILOs: knowledge

- 1) Recognise the key components and management systems in water and environmental engineering, and understand the relevance of sustainability for the field
- 2) Understand the principles of the hydrological cycle and movements of water in natural and built environments
- 3) Define and differentiate the main sections of water services and environmental services, with focus on the treatment of water and waste water
- 4) Understand the key principles of water and environmental quality
- 5) Identify the societal context relevant to the water and environment, and comprehend the different scales and key drivers applicable to water and environmental engineering

Our graduate is able to:

ILOs: skills

- 1) Apply key computational methods related to water and environmental engineering
- 2) Understand relevant experimental methods and data analysis processes, including the use of data archives
- 3) Comprehend uncertainty and different orders of magnitude related to the measurements, data analysis and modeling
- 4) Recognise and analyse the main components of water- and environment-related planning, implementation and management processes, and use related basic project skills

Our graduate:

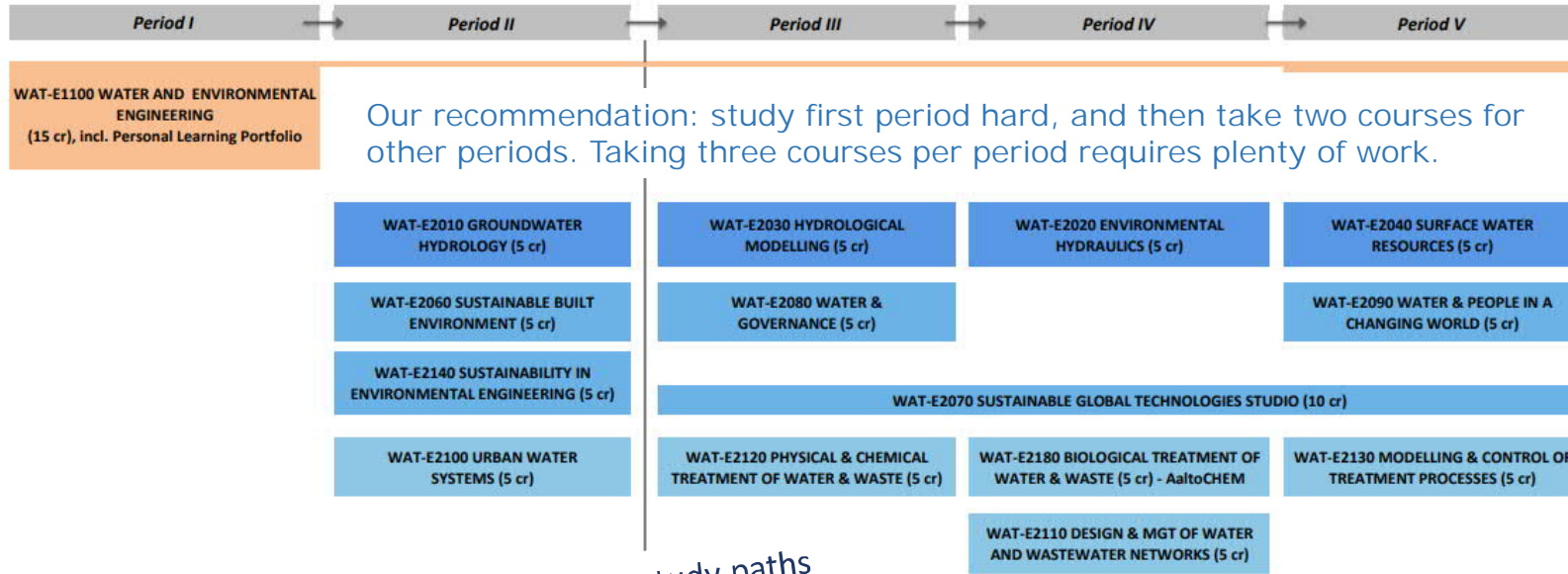
ILOs: identity

- 1) Is motivated and has a desire for problem-solving
- 2) Thinks in a comprehensive and critical manner about his/her work and field
- 3) Maintains a multidisciplinary and -sectoral view related to water and environmental engineering
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WAT COURSES: SCHEDULE

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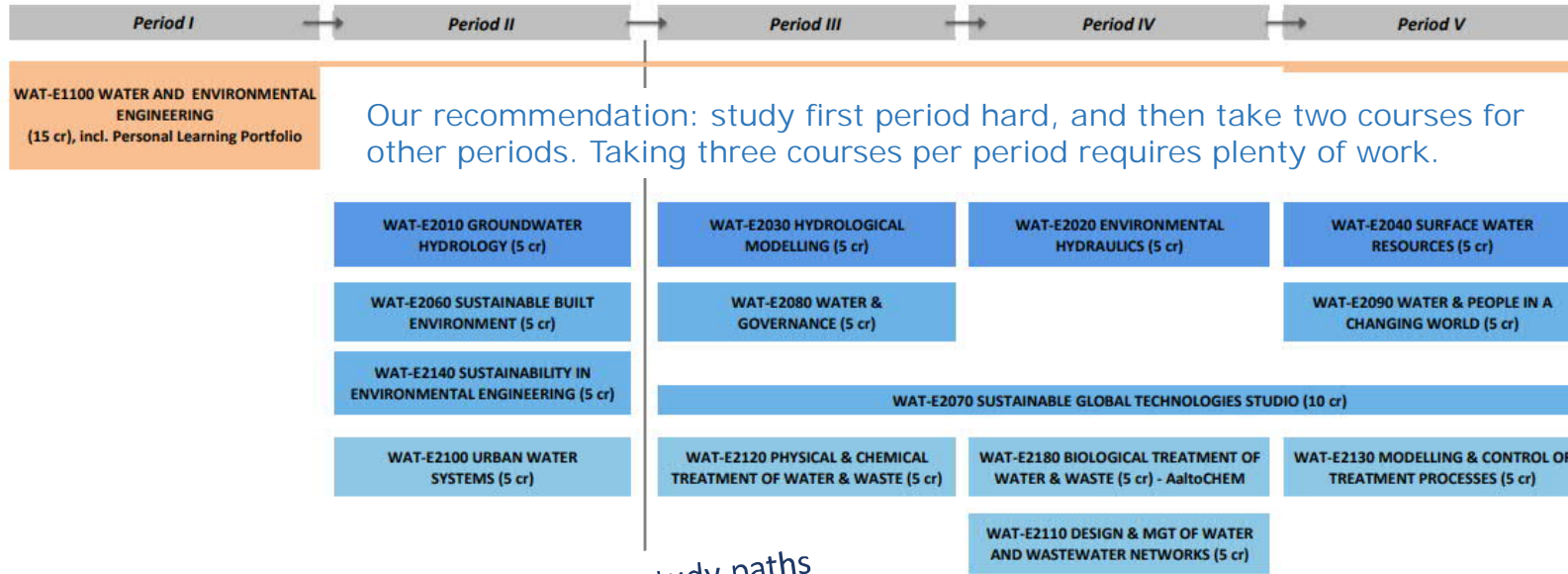
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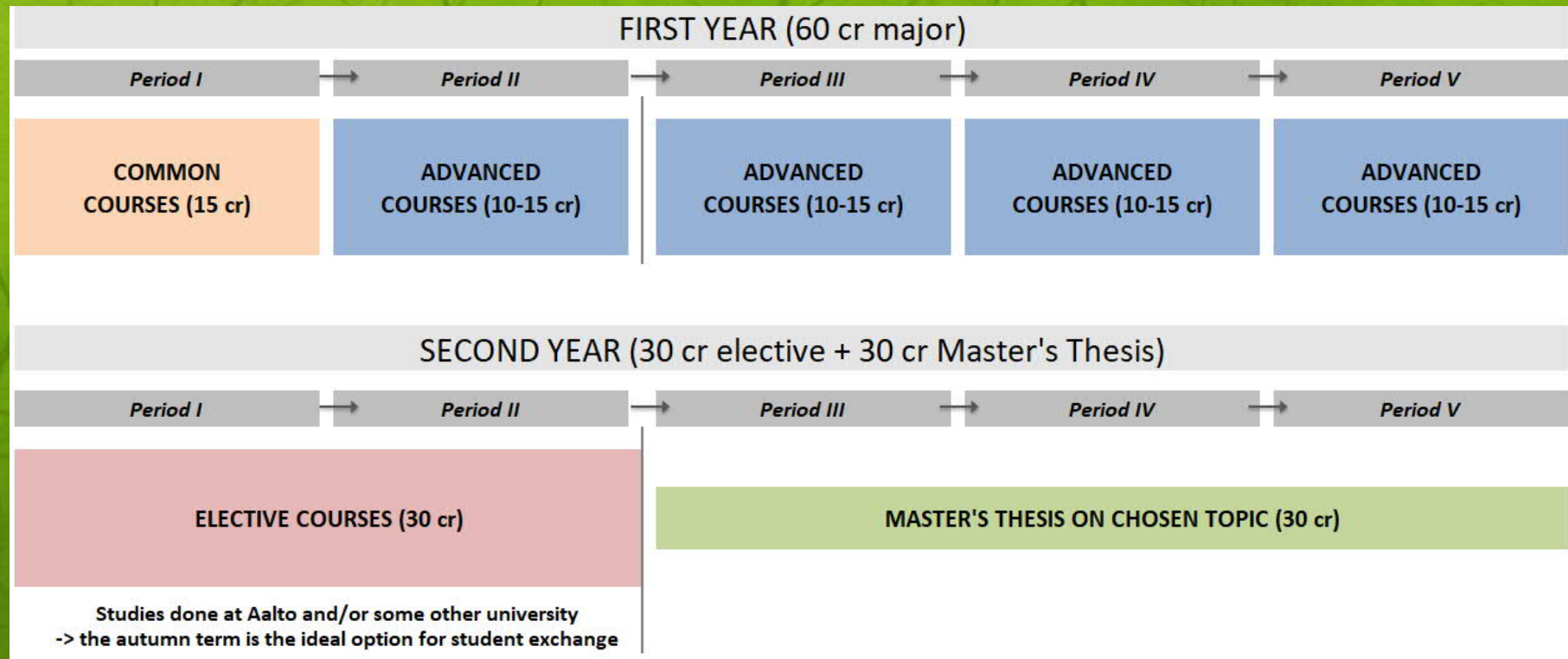
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WAT 1st + 2nd YEAR



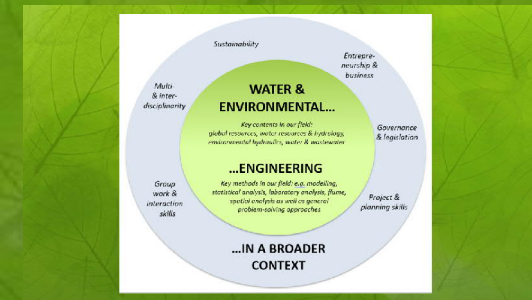
Leave Aalto (but do come back)!
Our programme structure provides you a
perfect chance to go for study exchange
during 2nd year: make use of it!

Pair discussion

- How does WAT sound?
- Do you already have some ideas on what advanced courses to take?
 - Anything unclear?

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WAT Course (WAT-E1100)

General weekly structure

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Morning (9.00-)	CONTEXT SESSION	CONTACT SESSION/ GROUP WORK	THEMATIC TASK: individual / group work	WEEKLY EXERCISE	WEEKLY EXERCISE: Individual / group work
Draft showing the overall schedule – not all weeks → e.g. some weeks weekly method comes first					
Afternoon (-4pm)	CONTACT SESSION	THEMATIC TASK	THEMATIC TASK: individual / group work	WEEKLY EXERCISE: Individual / group work	WEEKLY EXERCISE

WEEKLY THEMES

- 1) Global natural resources MATTI & OLLI
- 2) Water resources management & hydrology HARRI
- 3) Environmental hydraulics JUHA

- 4) Water & wastewater engineering ANNA
- 5) Environmental management MEERI
- 6) Water and environmental quality RIKU
- 7) Synthesis MEERI & MARKO

WAT CONTEXTS

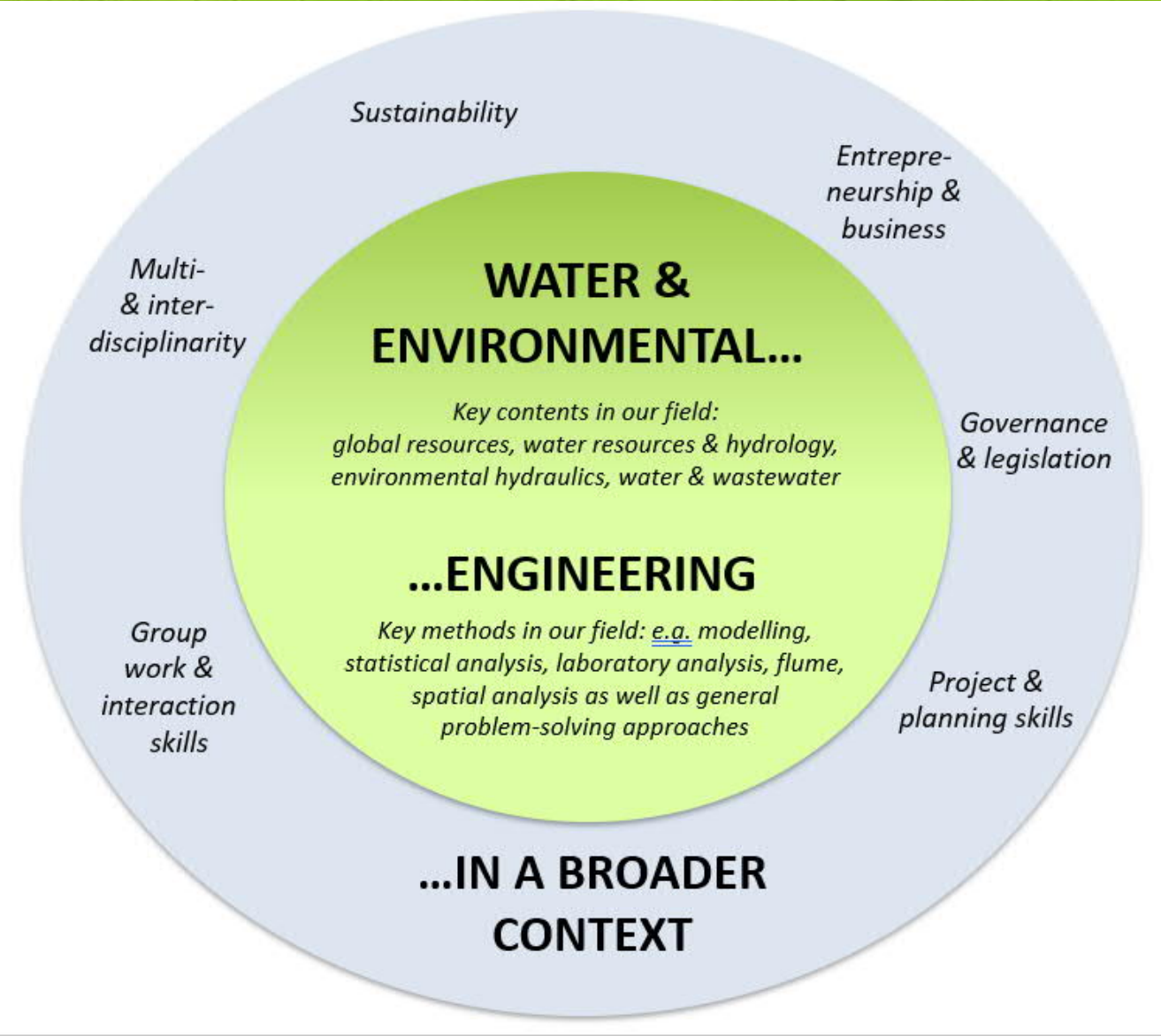
- Team roles & group work (Week 1)
- Entrepreneurship & business (Week 5)

- Governance and legislation & Science & disciplinarity (Week 7)

WEEKLY METHODS

- 1) Statistical analysis
- 2) Simulation modelling
- 3) Hydraulic flume: measurement & uncertainty

- 4) Spatial analysis
- 5) Life Cycle Assessment LCA
- 6) Laboratory analysis

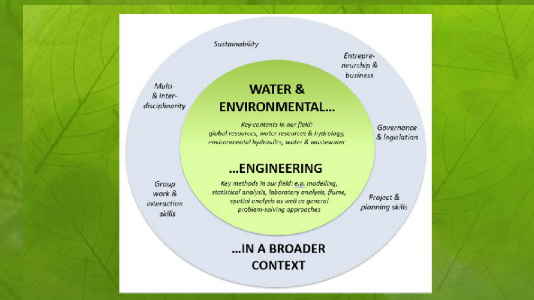


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Questions?

More on Monday



Break

Get ready for your group presentations

Soon we'll start the presentations, but before...

Let's get you a Mentor!

Akva Seed Person picks a letter from A-E (starting from Group 1)

→ Now your group has a mentor; get into groups and introduce yourselves to each other (~10min)!

Mentor: who you are and what you do at WAT

Students: who you are and why you came to WAT

You can also discuss about our courses
(particularly those that your mentor is involved in)

Group Presentations

10 min per group

→ Introduce your own group;
questions & comments from the audience also fine!

- * Names & background of your group members
- * Your existing expertise from our field
- * Your expectations for WAT Master's Programme

HOW & WHO ARE YOU?

- With your group:
discuss three key points you have
learned about yourselves today
- About your existing expertise
- About your expectations for WAT

Questions, comments?

Then for break
and then Portfolio session

WAT ORIENTATION DAYS 7.-8.9.2021

Tuesday 7.9.

Wednesday 8.9.

Both days start in Otakaari 1M (Undergraduate center) @ Lecture hall U1

9:00 ap.

INTRODUCTION TO WAT

@ Otakaari 1M, lecture hall U1

- Welcome + introduction - Marko & Meeri
- Forming WAT Mentor Groups + instructions

-> Your group stays the same for the entire Master's Programme

- Study tour in groups (10.30-)

10-minute visits ('rasti') @ Water Building introducing WAT personnel & research activities + AKVA student association

GROUP WORK

-> Each group independently in your chosen location or virtual room; aim to get to know each other and create a Group Presentation.

Tasks for group work:

- 1) Introductions: each student's background
 - 2) Recognition of your existing knowledge & skills
 - 3) Expectations from the Master's studies + career plans
- > These together = Group Presentation

Also take a Group Photo (or a screen shot if online) and include it into your presentation!

Group lunch

Group lunch

Starting your group work

Virtual orientation 14.00 in Zoom

only for students unable to attend orientation days @Taniemi
<https://aalto.zoom.us/j/68972975042>

- Welcome & Introduction to WAT
- Portfolio process in WAT
- Getting your mentor groups

INTRODUCTION TO STUDENTS

@ Otakaari 1M, lecture hall U1

- 13.00- Introduction to WAT
- 14.00- Meeting your mentor & Group work presentations

Wrap-up: how does WAT and its students look like?

15.00- Portfolio process in WAT

(Aalto Day One 13.15)

16.00 Akva-kahvit / Akva Coffee

@ outside Water Building, Tietotie 1E

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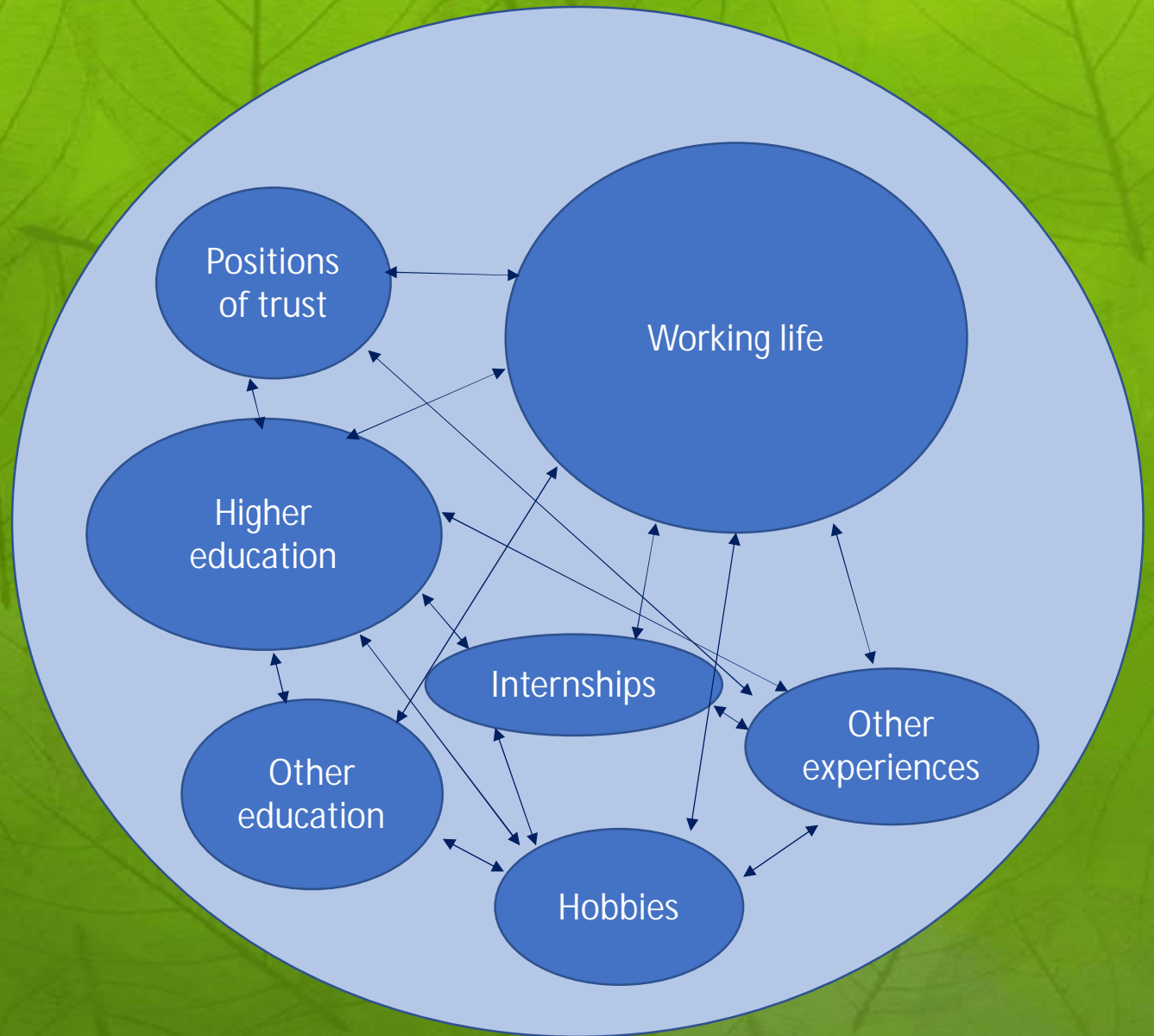
Portfolio and mentoring process

- Facilitating you to recognise and visualise your learning
- Supporting your career planning in WAT programme

What kind of experiences affect your identity as a WAT graduate, and also your skills and knowledge?

The Master's programme offers methods and scientific background from WAT field and means to apply them in practice. Is that enough for your future career as a WAT graduate?

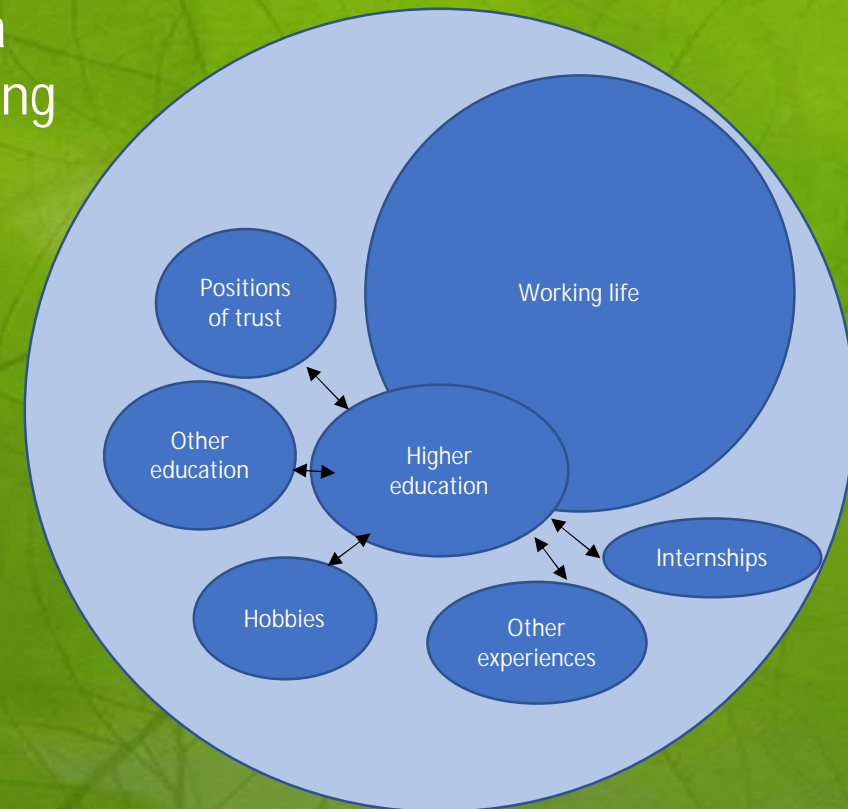
→ How to make good use of all your experiences in life?



Personal Learning Portfolio

- Aims to combine your previous skills, knowledge and values with your master's education: You do it for you!
→ For recognising your competencies and identity as a WAT graduate and for facilitating your career-planning
- Consists of compulsory parts:
 - Creating your own learning portfolio
 - Meetings with your mentor-group for peer support
 - Meetings with your Aalto-Mentor
 - Attending the WAT Synthesis session in May 2021
 - Attending the Master's thesis process 2021-2022
- Also optional parts highly recommendable
 - Attending the Aalto Career Services activities
 - Making use of Aalto PDPP-course

More in MyCourses:
<https://mycourses.aalto.fi/course/view.php?id=34281#section-0>



**ASSESSMENT
& REFLECTION**
of your studies,
based on your
Study Plan

DOCUMENTATION
of your
learning
process

**Personal
Learning
Portfolio**

MENTORING
process with
your group and
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*Adapted from John Zubizarreta:
The Learning Portfolio -
Reflective Practice for Improving
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Portfolio in practice

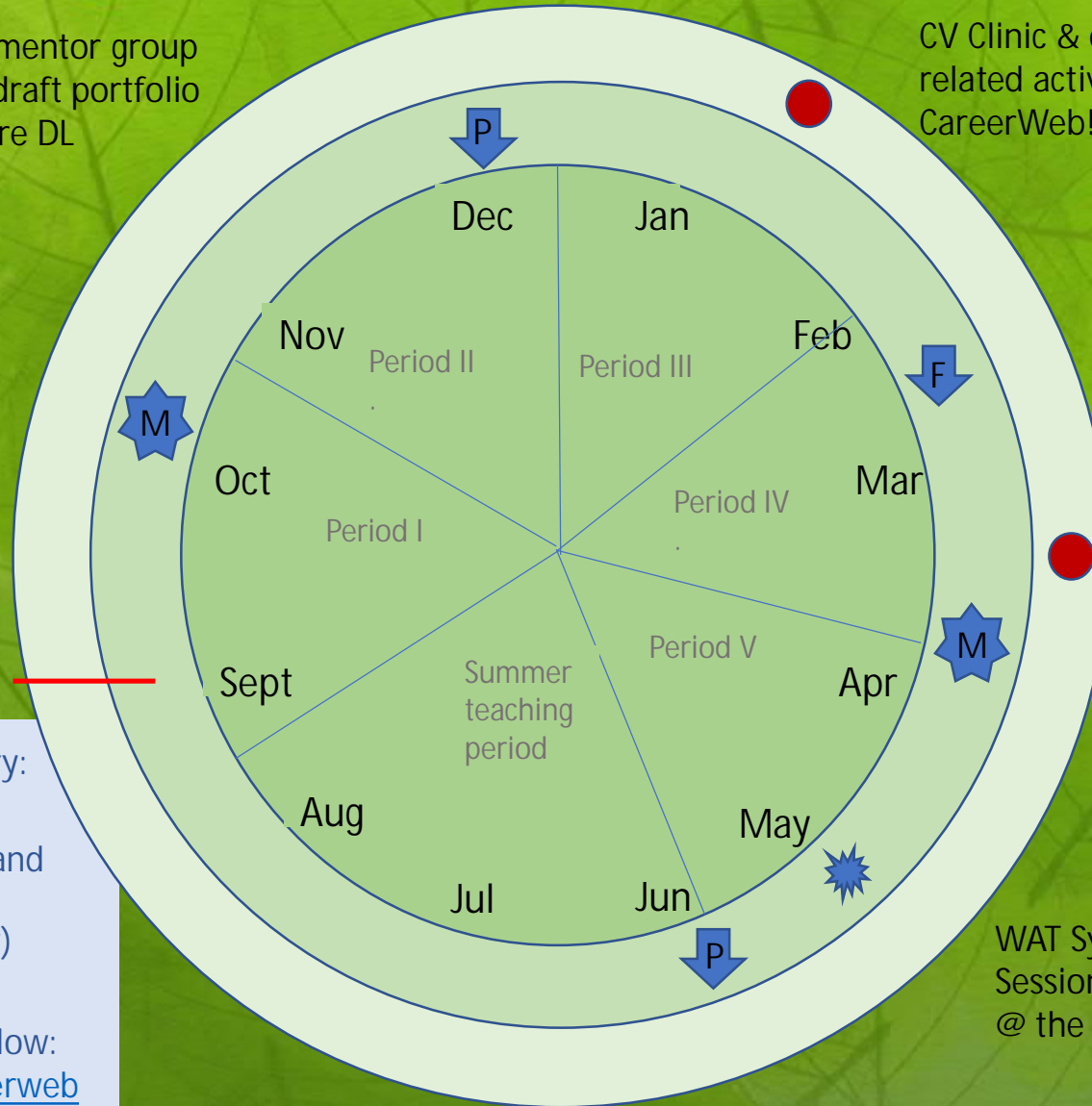
1. Submission of portfolio drafts twice a year = ~2-3 submissions during your Master's studies
 - Jan 2022 (feedback), June-Aug 2022 (feedback), final version before graduation
 - Tutoring on portfolio available always before the submission deadline
2. Feedback Session with your Mentor Group after the 1st portfolio submission (Feb-March 2022)
 - Facilitated and organized by WAT staff
3. Meetings with your mentor group and your WAT-mentor once/semester

2021

1st meeting with your mentor group before submitting the draft portfolio
Tutoring available before DL

2022

CV Clinic & other employment-related activities (follow Aalto CareerWeb!)



Aalto Mentor meeting 28-29 Oct

We are here: Portfolio info Sept 9




Facilitated feedback session in groups

Apply to Aalto Mentoring Programme

Aalto Mentor meeting

WAT Synthesis Session @ the end of May

Part of WAT Programme, compulsory:

-  -Aalto-Mentor Meeting
-  -Portfolio submission incl. tutoring and peer group meeting
-  -WAT Synthesis session (end of May)

Optional but recommended:

-  -Aalto Career Services activities, follow: <https://into.aalto.fi/display/encareerweb>
- Akva-activities: excursions, meetings etc!

Attending the Master's thesis process 2022-2023

Master's Thesis process in practice

Consists of:

1. Listening to at least one Master's Theses Seminar before you start your own thesis
 - Recommended to attend the seminars anytime during your studies to learn from other's work
2. Attending a pre-seminar: presenting the research plan of your thesis
3. Attending a finalising session to review your almost-ready-thesis
4. Presenting your thesis in a Master's Thesis Seminar

Seminars arranged monthly in Teams, see schedule in MyCourses:
<https://mycourses.aalto.fi/course/view.php?id=34281§ion=2>

Time for some Akva Coffee
@ Water Building

