

# Practical information about studies at Aalto University

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# Personal Study Plan & Course Registration

- Demonstration in Sisu - go to [sisu.aalto.fi](https://sisu.aalto.fi)
- Aalto courses are automatically on your study plan – Aachen & MUL courses will be added by admins once credits are transferred
- No need to submit for approval if you don't make any exceptions to the standard structure
- Laboratory safety course CHEM-E0140



# EMC student's checklist to Aalto throughout studies

- **Keep your contact information and IT account up to date and valid (Sisu / My Profile / Personal Information) [studies-eng@aalto.fi](mailto:studies-eng@aalto.fi)**
  - Finnish ID number (remember EU Registration)\*
- **Follow your aalto.fi e-mails or auto-forward to your primary email**
- **Enroll to the university every academic year in order to keep your student status**
  - Enrolment period May – August
- **You can enroll either as attending or non-attending (non-attending only for the semesters II and III) EXCEPT when you have a mobility scholarship \*\***
- **Enrolling as attending requires a payment of the Student Union (AYY) membership fee and healthcare fee to KELA**



# Master's thesis

- Plan and agree about your MSc thesis topic with professors at all three universities
- Depending on your MSc thesis topic and supervising professor at Aalto, you will either continue as a student of **Aalto ENG** or move to **Aalto CHEM** and graduate from there
- When doing your MSc thesis and until graduation, you must be enrolled as attending at Aalto
- Aalto Scholarships = tuition fee waivers (those granted one at admission)
  - If your main supervisor is from Aalto, you will be granted a scholarship for your 4th term



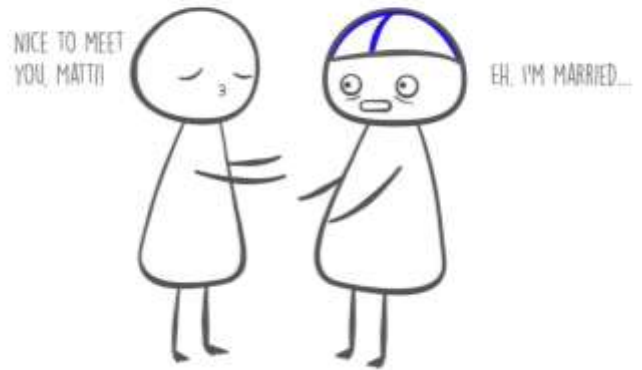
# Residence permits & registration

- **Students from outside EU apply for students' residence permit before coming to Finland. More information:**  
**<https://enterfinland.fi/eServices/info/studypermit>**
    - If you didn't get a personal ID code with your residence permit, please register at DVV to get it (Thursday DVV pop up)
  - **Students from EU register their residence at the MIGRI if the study period in Finland will exceed 3 months (fee 52 eur). More information:**  
**<https://migri.fi/en/eu-citizen>**
- **Finnish Personal ID code**
- You need the personal ID-code for instance for opening a mobile phone connection or a bank account, or for HSL app. **It makes even enrolment at the university easier.** More information: **<https://dvv.fi/en/moving-to-finland>**

# Finnish ID (number)

- Required e.g. for student healthcare, public transportation, bank account, employment (taxation)...
- How to get it?
  - With residence permit (non-EU/EEA students)
  - By application to DVV (non-EU/EEA student who did not get it with residence permit)
  - By registration of right of residence (EU/EEA students) to Migri
- Once you get it, send it to us ([jointmasters-eng@aalto.fi](mailto:jointmasters-eng@aalto.fi)) and we will add it to your Sisu profile.

## FINNISH NIGHTMARES



SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW WELL TRIES TO GREET YOU BY KISSING OR HUGGING

# To buy/ sell/ exchange/ give away



- Aalto Marketplace (Sharetribe): [aalto.sharetribe.com/](https://aalto.sharetribe.com/)
- Tori (in Finnish only): <http://www.tori.fi/>
- Kierrätyskeskus [kierratyskeskus.fi/in\\_english](https://kierratyskeskus.fi/in_english)
- Reuse & Rescue recycling center
  - Get furniture for free, buy small household appliances, kitchenware and textiles.
  - Reuse & Rescue open on request: <https://www.facebook.com/reuseandrescue/>
  - Kitchenware and textiles: [www.viako.fi](https://www.viako.fi)

Just arrived? Choose the easy & sustainable way:

## RENT YOUR HOMEWARE



Open for everyone at Servin Majjan tie 6 D  
See opening hours & news:  
[FACEBOOK.COM/REUSEANDRESCUE](https://FACEBOOK.COM/REUSEANDRESCUE)

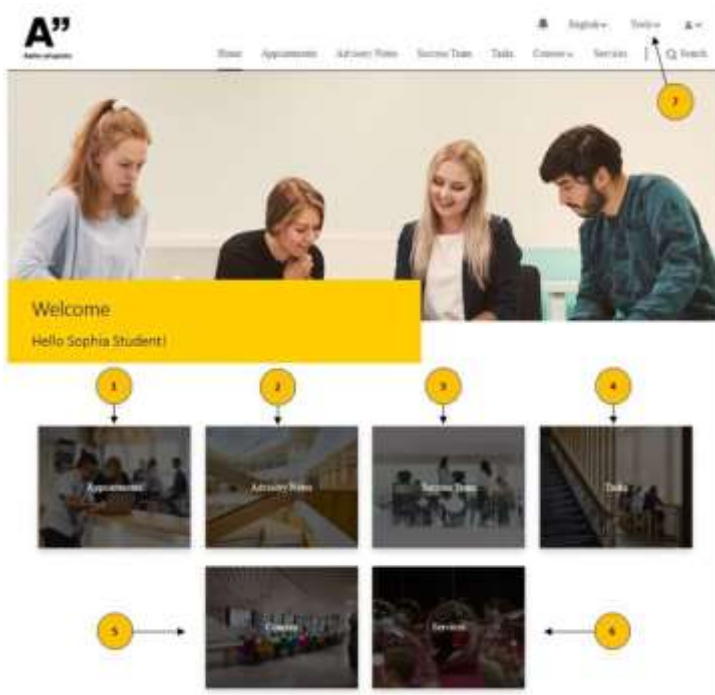
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center

Get free:  
Furniture & rugs (no beds)  
Home decor & lights  
Bicycles & sports equipment  
Books & Electronics

**VIAKO**

Rent at [www.viako.fi](https://www.viako.fi):  
Kitchenware, home tex-  
tiles & bedding  
Bicy-  
cles  
Small appliances

# Modes of communication



- General study related concerns [jointmasters-eng@aalto.fi](mailto:jointmasters-eng@aalto.fi)
- Specific cases to the professor/person concerned
- Study guidance appointments via Student Success Hub > My Success Team



# Who to contact and when?

**Course  
teacher**

**Course  
registration,  
assignments,  
exams, missing  
lectures**

**Mikael  
&  
Rodrigo**

**Academic  
advising, thesis**

**Stefano**

**Study plan  
matters, thesis  
process and  
deadlines,  
graduation,  
progress of  
studies, mobility  
scholarships  
(Aalto → Aachen)\***

**Partner  
universi-  
ties**

**Partner university  
courses  
Admission &  
arrival  
Mobility  
scholarships  
(Aachen →  
Leoben)**

**Other**

**Mental health  
challenges →  
Starting Point of  
Wellbeing, Aalto  
psychologists or  
FSHS  
Career planning  
and jobs → Aalto  
Career Services,  
FEMP (John)**

# Healthcare

- **YTHS = Finnish Student Healthcare Services (FSHS)**
  - Compulsory service fee, no costs for appointments
  - Payment due 15 November, instructions at [How to pay the student healthcare fee | Our Services | Kela](#) (N.B: You must pay before you can access the services – you might need them before 15 Nov!)
  - EU students may be exempted (apply for exemption ASAP)
  - Always the first recommendation = affordable and easy
  - Office hours only
- **Public healthcare (e.g. Tapiola Health Centre)**
  - Only emergencies
  - Remember European Health Insurance Card!
- **Private clinics (e.g. Terveystalo, Mehiläinen...)**
  - Non-emergencies outside office hours
  - Make sure you know where to go & what to do in case of emergency
  - Reimbursement claims with your insurance
  - In emergencies, call 112



# HSL card & student discount

- **App. 40% discount in public transportation**
- **In order to get the discount, you should**
  - Get the student discount form for EXCHANGE STUDENTS with an official university stamp and signature from the Starting Point (Otakaari 1)
  - Visit a the HSL pop-up desk at the Welcome Fair or HSL service point
- **The discount can be granted for the period that you have currently enrolled as attending for, i.e. the whole academic year 1 August 2024 to 31 July 2025**



# Bank accounts

- Aalto does not have a bank partner or recommendation – other (international) students and tutors know the best tips
- Book an appointment at the bank where you want to open account in advance
- Finnish personal ID code is required
- Online banking codes strongly recommended if only you can get them
- More information at [Registering with the authorities and opening a bank account | Aalto University](#)



# Mobility scholarships

- You can apply for mobility scholarship (e.g. Erasmus+) from Aalto to Aachen in January
- We will send you the detailed instructions when the application period begins
- Mobility scholarships for the semester at Leoben are granted by Aachen and the application period is also in January



# Recap - things to take care of ASAP

- ❑ Registering to **courses beginning in period I**
- ❑ Opening a **bank account** (scholarship holders)
- ❑ Getting a **Finnish personal ID** → inform us when you do
- ❑ Paying student healthcare fee **or** applying for exemption

**Thank you for your attention  
and all the best for your EMC  
studies at Aalto!**