

Fact Sheet  
Academic Year 2019-2020

## Institutional Information

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## Mobility Services

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## Academic Information

**Official dates of the academic year 2019-2020:** 1 August 2019 – 31 July 2020

**Tuition and exams during the academic year:**

Autumn semester: 2 September 2019 – 22 December 2019	Spring semester: 7 January 2020 – 31 May 2020
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**Arrival dates:**

Autumn semester: 22 – 23 August 2019	Spring semester: 2 January 2020
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**Orientation days (compulsory):**

Autumn semester: 26 – 27 August 2019	Spring semester: 3 & 7 January 2020
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**Deadlines for exchange student applications:**

Autumn semester / full year: 31 May 2019	Spring semester: 31 October 2019
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**Information about the application process for exchange students** (including language requirements):

[univaasa.fi/en/for/prospective/exchange/](https://univaasa.fi/en/for/prospective/exchange/)  
[univaasa.fi/en/for/prospective/exchange/applying/](https://univaasa.fi/en/for/prospective/exchange/applying/)

**Information about studies offered for exchange students:**

[univaasa.fi/en/education/exchange/](https://univaasa.fi/en/education/exchange/)

**Language of instruction in courses available for exchange students:** English.

**Is preparatory language course offered:** A Survival Language Course in Finnish (2 ECTS) is available for exchange students during the semesters

**Are ECTS credits in use:** Yes

**Is ECTS Grading Scale in use:** No. explanation on the grading scale will be printed on the transcript of records. Explanation on the grading scale is also available online at: [univaasa.fi/en/for/student/living/ects/](http://univaasa.fi/en/for/student/living/ects/)

## Practical Information

**Is pick-up service available upon arrival:** Yes, during the official arrival days.

**Is accommodation offered:** The students are responsible for arranging the accommodation. Accommodation can be applied for example from the local student housing foundation VOAS. Students arriving in autumn semester are strongly advised to reserve the apartment from 1 August.

**Contact for accommodation:** VOAS (Student Housing Foundation). Application form and information available online at [voas.fi](http://voas.fi).

**Information about accommodation in Vaasa:**  
[univaasa.fi/en/for/student/living/accommodation/](http://univaasa.fi/en/for/student/living/accommodation/)

**Cost of accommodation per month** (approximately): 190 – 300 euros (may vary, depending on the type and location of the apartment.

**Cost of living per month** (approximately):

Food: 250 euros

Transportation: 30 euros

Personal costs depending on the student

**Are there any required fees for the exchange students:** No. The Student Union Fee is voluntary for exchange students. Student Union Fee: 139 euros / academic year, 75 euros / semester (bachelor / master level students). Fee for doctoral level students 45 euros / academic year. More information about the Student Union available online at: [vyy.fi/](http://vyy.fi/)

**Note:** Student Union fee is mandatory for degree and double degree students.

**Insurance:** Exchange students are personally responsible for the insurances for themselves and their personal belongings. The insurance should be obtained before arrival to Finland, and it should cover costs resulting from illness or an accident (doctor and hospital charges, including medical treatment and hospitalisation, medication, and costs resulting from interruption of exchange). Exchange students should also obtain an insurance for personal belongings and third party liability.

**Permits** (for exchange studies lasting min. 3 months):

*Citizens of the EU, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland:* No residence permit needed for Finland for exchange studies. Registration of an EU citizen's right of residence at a local service point of the Finnish Immigration Service (Migri) within 3 months.

*Other nationalities:* Residence permit needed.

Information on permit matters available at: [migri.fi](http://migri.fi) (The Finnish Immigration Service)

Practical information about living and studying in Finland and in Vaasa available online at [univaasa.fi/en/for/student/living/](http://univaasa.fi/en/for/student/living/)