



VAASAN AMMATTIKORKEAKOULU
VASA YRKESHÖGSKOLA
UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES



Quality Competence – VAMK
Study in Vaasa



VAMK Experience

Beyond Your Expectations

We offer you a great opportunity to gain Professional Education with strong emphasis on applied research that contributes significantly to your employability in the working life. We at Vaasan ammattikorkeakoulu (VAMK), University of Applied Sciences provide Quality Competence by combining theory with practice. Together with the international students of over 50 different nationalities VAMK is the perfect place to gain higher education and cultural experience. You couldn't ask for a better opportunity to internationalise.

Our focus at VAMK is Energy Industry, SME Entrepreneurship, Information technology, Tourism and Business Competence and Health Care and Welfare Services.

We provide education in Finnish, Swedish and English. The degrees are of high quality and working-life oriented. There are about 3,500 students enrolled and 250 members of staff. The staff, degree programmes and student services all work together to provide an extensive range of studies that offer an unbeatable combination of VAMK quality education in Vaasa, one of the liveliest student cities in Finland.

Our well-equipped learning environment consists of two campuses located within walking distance from each other. VAMK prides itself on modern and well-equipped facilities. Technobothnia, the technology research and teaching laboratory, provides our Engineering students with an excellent platform to participate in projects introducing the latest technology. Numerous local and international companies and organisations offer the Business Economics and Tourism students an authentic training environment. Practical training in the region's bilingual organisations as well as in the school's modern premises prepare the students for working life.

VAMK is the experience of a life time!

Degree Programmes in

► INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

*Bachelor of Business Administration,
3,5 years, 210 ECTS*

The degree programme in International Business provides the students with the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in the demanding expert and leadership positions of both public and private sector. The students gain know-how and the ability to operate and adapt in constantly changing business environment.

Graduates are employed as managers or experts in various international organizations in the fields of marketing, export and import, forwarding, transportation and custom clearance. The studies consist of active problem-based individual and teamwork learning tasks dealing with marketing and foreign trade issues. Real-life working examples are covered in the form of various tasks and project assignments.

Degree Programme in International Business

- **Basic Studies** Research Process, Society and Entrepreneurship, Languages and Communication, Data Processing, Mathematics and Natural Sciences, Business Economics and Legal Norms, Marketing, Company Economics
- **Specialisation Options**
 - International Marketing
 - Foreign Trade
 - International Operational Environment
 - Optional Professional Module
- **Optional Studies**
- **Practical Training**
- **Thesis**

► TOURISM

*Bachelor of Hospitality Management,
3,5 years, 210 ECTS*

The degree programme in Tourism combines studies in the fields of international accommodation-, restaurant-, food-, activity/ attraction- and travel trade services/experiences providing students with the needed qualifications to succeed within the tourism industry.

Students gain skills to work in managerial, development, and expert positions or as entrepreneurs in the field. Those specialized in restaurant services are employed e.g. within accommodation-, restaurant- or food service sectors. Students specialized in tourism management are employed in national and international event-, activity-, accommodation-, travel trade- and transportation sectors or tourism organizations, tourism companies, expert organizations within the tourism industry.

Close cooperation with the hospitality industry is emphasized. This enables students to participate in projects and complete their theses, which in turn helps them to gain a solid basis for understanding the international working environment.

Degree Programme in Tourism

- **Basic Studies** Introductory Studies, Society and Entrepreneurship, Languages and Communication, Data Processing, Mathematics and Natural Sciences
- **Professional Basic Studies** Restaurant Service, Food Production, Tourism, Hotel, Marketing of Services, Business and Economic Administration
- **Specialisation Options**
 - Tourism Management
 - Restaurant Management
- **Optional Studies**
- **Practical Training**
- **Thesis**

n English

► INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

*Bachelor of Engineering,
4 years, 240 ECTS*

The degree programme in Information Technology prepares students for demanding careers in the industry. The students gain professional skills and a strong theoretical basis that are much needed in the rapidly changing environment. Graduates have the competence to work in positions within design, research, production, marketing and product development in the field of electronics and information technology and working as international experts in export companies as well as entrepreneurs.

The degree programme provides a wide course selection. The education relies on the modern facilities of the Technobothnia technology research laboratory and the high-level expertise of the lecturers. Cooperation with the working life gives students good possibilities to take part in projects made for the industry throughout their studies.

Degree Programme in Information Technology

► General Basic Studies

Entrepreneurship, Languages and Communication, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Data Processing

► Specialised Professional

Studies Software, Electronics and Embedded Systems, Telecommunications, Energy Technology

► Specialised Options

► Electronics and Embedded Systems

focuses on electronic circuits design, microprocessors and their programming, embedded systems and programming methods

► **Software Engineering** focuses on software engineering methods, industrial databases and modern programming languages and technologies

► **Telecommunication** focuses on computer networks

► **Energy Technology** focuses on IT Solutions in Energy Technology

► Free-Choice Studies

► Practical Training

► Thesis



Admission

Applying to programmes conducted in English at Finnish Universities of Applied Sciences takes place through a system of joint application. The application form will be submitted online: www.admissions.fi.

Eligibility

An applicant is qualified to apply to VAMK after having completed the upper secondary examination, European Baccalaureate, International Baccalaureate or Reifeprüfung examination, vocational qualification of three years or more in duration, a non-Finnish degree or studies equivalent to these qualifications. Citizens of non-EU/EEA countries must have completed their studies by the end of the application period. EU/EEA-country citizens can apply if the qualification is completed during the spring applying.

Language test

Citizens of non-EU/EEA countries must provide proof of English language skills. IELTS and TOEFL are accepted. Please find the valid scores at VAMK's website.

Entrance examinations

All applicants who have demonstrated their eligibility and language skills will be invited to the entrance examinations. Entrance examinations will be arranged in Vaasa, Finland and possibly in some other countries. The details about the countries and places in question will be informed to the applicant in the invitation letter.

Timetable

Application period
mid January – mid February
Apply at www.admissions.fi

Entrance examinations
April – May

Accepted students must confirm their study places by beginning of August

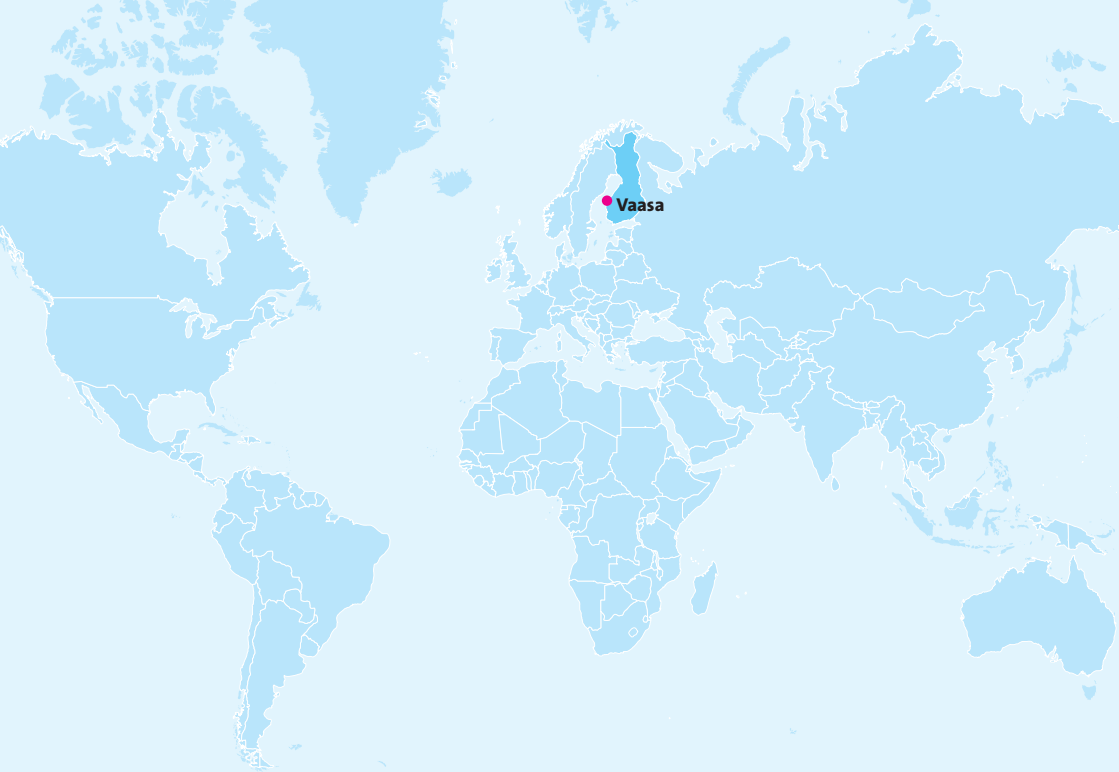
Academic Year starts end of August

January February March April May June July August

Finland Vaasa

- ▶ Modern, safe and clean country.
- ▶ Located in Northern Europe with 5,2 million inhabitants – 70 percent live in towns, 30 percent in rural areas.
- ▶ Type of state: Independent republic since December 6, 1917.
- ▶ 338 000 km² of which 10 percent is water and 70 percent forest.
- ▶ Maximum distances 1157 km (719 miles) north to south, 542 km (336 miles) east to west.
- ▶ 188 000 lakes, 180 000 islands.
- ▶ Europe's largest archipelago, including the semiautonomous province of Åland.
- ▶ Four distinct seasons with midnight sun in the summer and long winter nights.
- ▶ The sunniest city in Finland!
- ▶ Located on the west coast of Finland.
- ▶ Population 59 000 of which 12 000 are students of higher education.
- ▶ Dynamic city of culture, education and tourism.
- ▶ Centre of business life in the Ostrobothnia region.
- ▶ Over 70 percent have Finnish as their mother tongue, about 25 percent have Swedish – the languages are fluently combined.
- ▶ International large-scale industry with subcontractors and a vibrant service sector.
- ▶ A healthy environment: the sea with its countless islands gives Vaasa the authentic feel of a coastal city.





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