

Study in Oulu

OULU UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES
APPLICANT'S GUIDE 2024

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Timetable for the first joint application period 2024

Deadlines for both master's and bachelor's degrees:

3–17 Jan

Application period. Online application opens at 8 am on the first day of application period and closes at 3 pm.

24 Jan

Deadline of documents for all applicants. Documents must be uploaded to online application by 3 pm.

31 May

All the results for Finnish first joint application are published.

11 July

Study place must be confirmed by 3 pm.

Deadlines for bachelor's degrees:

6 Mar

International UAS exam. There might be changes in the timetable of the exam. The updated information is available at the website of Oulu University of Applied Sciences.

Mar

Tests for Finnish and Swedish language skills in the degree programmes in the field of Social and Health Care.

1 Apr

The deadline for SAT test results. Results must have been delivered to UAS at 3 pm.

9 Apr

The results of the student selection based on the SAT test results.

21 May

The results of the student selection when applying with Finnish matriculation examination, Finnish RP, Finnish or international DIA diploma or Finnish or international IB, EB school diplomas.

Deadlines for master's degrees:

3–17 Jan

Registration to entrance examination course.

18 Jan–29 Feb

Execution time of the course.

Mar–Apr

Assessment of the entrance examination course, advance assignments and interviews.

All times presented in the publication are UTC +2 EET and UTC +3 EEST from the 31 March 2024 onwards. Please note there may be some minor changes in the publication dates of student selection results. The up-to-date timetable is available on the website: oamk.fi/en

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Get a valuable degree at Oamk!

I wish you a warm welcome to Oulu and to Oulu University of Applied Sciences! We call the Oulu University of Applied Sciences 'Oamk', a name you will see and hear regularly. Oamk is an open-minded and international community of nearly 10,000 people and one of Finland's most attractive universities of applied sciences.

We educate highly valued professionals for the working life in Finland and internationally. It is important to us to provide working life with the best possible workers and our students with the most interesting jobs. In the first joint application period for the higher education we offer six bachelor's and master's programmes taught in English. I hope you will find the programme that suits you best.

So a warm welcome to Oulu! Come and experience this lively city of snowy winters and sunny summer nights with us!

Rector Heidi Fagerholm





Welcome to Oulu!

Oulu is the fastest growing city region in Arctic Europe, with 250,000 inhabitants. We are also among Europe's youngest: our average age is just over 39. A third of the population has an academic degree, and we've been identified as the happiest city in the North for quality of life. Every day, 2.6 billion people use mobile technologies developed in Oulu. Today, we are pioneers in 5G network development – and we're moving ahead rapidly to 6G.

Oulu is urban, but the wilderness is close. A modern seaside city culture is combined with a lively countryside and beautiful nature. We offer the sea, river views and city lakes.

You're almost in nature as soon as you step out from your front door. The changing seasons add even more variety to the scenery: a summer sailing trip changes to driving on an ice road in the winter. In autumn, you can gather the freshness and purity of nature's bounty, and spring is heralded by the arrival of tens of thousands of migratory birds over Liminka Bay. Even Finland's southernmost fell with its skiing and travel centres is only a 90-minute drive from Oulu.

Oulu will be the European Capital of Culture in 2026. Our Cultural Climate Change is built around the three themes of Wild City, Cool Contrasts and a Brave Hinterland. Together, we will make Oulu, Northern Finland and Europe a better place to live, enjoy and love!

Fun facts about Oulu

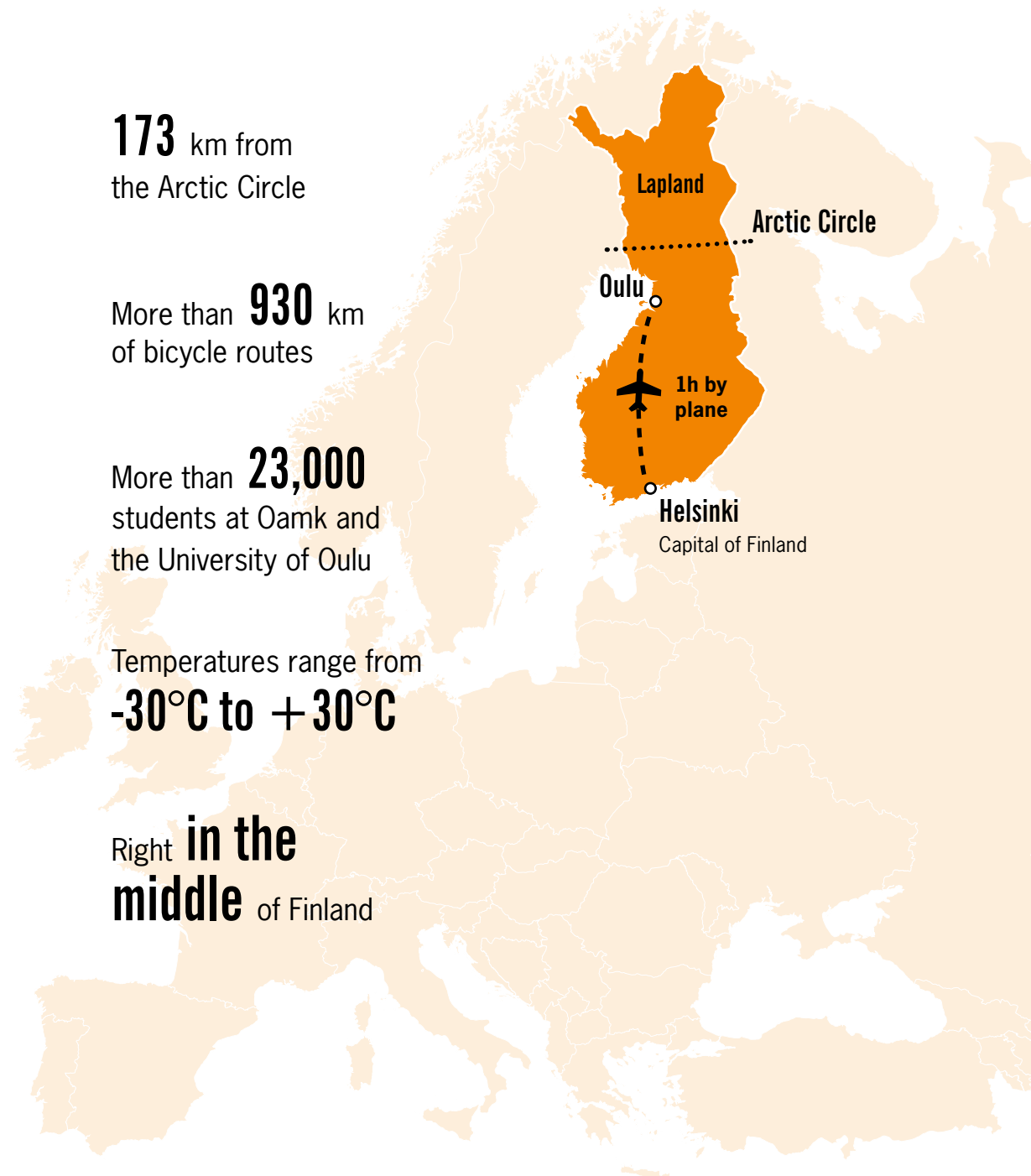
173 km from the Arctic Circle

More than **930** km of bicycle routes

More than **23,000** students at Oamk and the University of Oulu

Temperatures range from **-30°C to +30°C**

Right **in the middle** of Finland



Oulu University of Applied Sciences

More than 9,500 students, including more than 300 international degree students, ensure Oulu University of Applied Sciences is a lively and innovative place to study. Studies at Oamk are oriented towards working life, combining theoretical studies with professional skills. At Oamk, we educate highly valued professionals for the working life needs of the whole of Finland and abroad.

Bachelor's degrees

Our bachelor's studies last between 3,5 and 4 years, depending on the degree programme. Each student has a personal study plan, which facilitates student guidance and the progress of studies. All our bachelor's degree programmes are at EQF (European Quality Framework and Other Learning) level 6.

Degree Programme in International Business

210 ECTS / 3,5 years

Bachelor of Business Administration

Degree Programme in Information Technology

240 ECTS / 4 years

Bachelor of Engineering

Degree Programme in Mechanical Engineering

240 ECTS / 4 years

Bachelor of Engineering

Degree Programme in Nursing

210 ECTS / 3,5 years

Bachelor of Health Care

Double it!

The bachelor's degree programmes in Information Technology and International Business offer our students the opportunity to apply to a Double Degree programme at our partner university in either the Netherlands or Germany. In the Double Degree programme, students spend part of their studies in partner institutions and receive a degree diploma from both higher education institutions when they graduate from Oamk.

If the Double Degree programme is too demanding for you, plenty of other exchange programmes are available. Agreements with our several partner institutions in Europe and Asia ensure that whatever destination you choose will be perfect for you and your studies.

Master's degrees

Our master's degrees have been designed with students' professional development in mind. The degree programmes take between 1 and 2,5 years to complete and offer the latest knowledge and techniques available in the field. Our master's degree programmes are at EQF level 7.

Degree Programme in Data Analytics and Project Management

Master of Business Administration or Master of Engineering

60/90 ECTS / 1–2,5 years

Degree Programme in Education Entrepreneurship

Master of Culture and Arts

60 ECTS / 1–2 years

1st in Europe

Degree Programme in Digital Performance

Master of Culture and Arts

60 ECTS / 1–2 years

Degree Programme in Modern Software and Computing Solutions

Master of Business Administration or Master of Engineering

60/90 ECTS / 1–2,5 years

Scholarships and tuition fees

At Oamk, we want our scholarship system to award students for their hard work.

For our non-EU/EEA bachelor's degree students, who are required to pay tuition fees of €10,000 for the academic year, the scholarship is awarded solely on the basis of the student's Finnish language skills. Students can enhance their language skills during their studies. The maximum of scholarship during the optimal study time of the degree programme is €6,000.

The scholarship for our master's degree students is 10% from the paid tuition fee if the studies are accomplished within the set target time (1 academic year/60 credits, 1,5 academic year/90 credits).



Our campuses await you

Linnanmaa Campus

Our main campus is the Linnanmaa Campus, which we share with the University of Oulu. The Linnanmaa Campus is the biggest campus in Europe operating under one roof. More than 23,000 people study and work at the campus every day. The cooperation offers flexible study paths to the students of both universities. The campus is approximately five kilometres north of central Oulu.

Kontinkangas Campus

The Kontinkangas campus is home to the School of Health and Social Care. About 1,100 students study at the campus. Oulu University's faculties of Medicine, Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine, as well as Oulu University Hospital, are at Kontinkangas. The campus is approximately three kilometres from central Oulu.

Accommodation

Oulu University of Applied Sciences does not have its own student housing, but student accommodation in Oulu is available on both the private housing market and in student halls of residence. Most Finnish and international bachelor's students live in student housing provided by the Student Housing Foundation of Northern Finland (PSOAS).

Inexpensive self-catering student accommodation in single rooms is usually offered in the student halls of residence. Most rooms have a shared kitchenette, toilet and shower. The price varies depending on the type of the accommodation. Students apply for the housing themselves by contacting PSOAS directly once they have been accepted in student selection. Further information is included with the letter of acceptance.

Student union and student life

The Student Union of the Oulu University of Applied Sciences (OSAKO) represents the interests of Oamk's students and provides them with various services. You are entitled to a student price lunch at the campus restaurants after you've paid the student union fee. Your membership card also gives you a student discount for various services in the city centre, including restaurants, shops, public transport, sporting events and museums.

OSAKO's main task is to look after students' interests, but it is also very active in organising various events for students in the evenings and at weekends. Student parties and trips are very popular. Or how would you feel about polar bear trips?

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*Do you want
a world-class
education?*

*...to study in
high class,
modern environ-
ments?*

*...to strive for a
meaningful career?*

**T H E
ANSWER
IS OAMK**



“I wanted to study international business to get to the next level to improve myself as an entrepreneur.”

Esenam Adetunji, International Business

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BBA, International Business

Would you like to have an exciting career, either in Finland or internationally? Can you see yourself working in a multicultural work environment? Are you excited by the idea that your work will take you to places you haven't seen before? If your answer is yes, the degree programme in International Business is for you!

Study Content

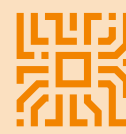
The degree programme in International Business, or DIB as we call it, is intended for both Finnish and international students wishing to seek interesting career paths in innovative international business, sales and marketing, management, or entrepreneurship. The programme emphasises interaction within a multicultural learning environment encouraging initiative, interaction and innovation, which all will develop your professional skills.

You learn by participating in lectures and discussions, doing groupwork, giving presentations, taking part in different projects and case studies, and interacting with companies. The close cooperation with working life enables students to put the theory they have learnt into practice. The practical training element enables you to network and gain valuable work experience either in Finland or abroad. Equally, you can carry out a study period abroad as an exchange student or pursue a double degree at our partner university abroad.

The programme focuses on developing various skills required in the field of innovative international business, providing the ability to work in an international environment. You will learn about international sales and marketing. You will know how to create, develop and maintain profitable customer relationships. The programme also includes courses in digital marketing competences, innovative strategic planning as well as international business knowledge. The studies also include courses in languages, IT, HRM, management and accounting. Graduates adopt an approach that enables them to work in various tasks with an innovative, initiative-oriented and developmental mindset.

Those international students, who have paid the tuition fee and whose residence permit application process is in progress, can study the first term online. The first term ends at the end of December.

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Information Technology, Bachelor's Degree



**“I think that here in Finland
the course design is more
reasonable.”**

Yinan Li, Information Technology

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BEng, Information Technology

Oulu is well known for its ICT – technology and innovations. This can also be seen in the field of technology at the School of Engineering. Software development skills and business knowledge are developed in real-world projects. All real-world projects and practical training enable you to already network with working life during your studies.

Study Content

The need for ICT professionals is growing continuously. As an ICT engineer, you can design and realise various software solutions and applications. You are also capable of working as an active member of your working society and developing your own profession. The degree programme in Information Technology emphasises web development, and studies consist of software development, web and mobile application technologies, artificial intelligence robotics, and IoT technologies.

Studies are organised mainly as daytime teaching at our international campus and are intended for both Finnish and international students who are interested in making a career in the international and innovative world of IT in Finland or abroad. Studies are conducted entirely in English and include lectures, workshops, projects and group assignments, as well as individual presentations. Studies have close connections with working life and local companies, where students can put the theory they have learned in lectures into practice.

Software development skills and business knowledge are also developed in real-world projects. All real-world projects and practical training already enable you to network with working life during studies. With us, you really learn by doing.

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BEng, Mechanical Engineering, Sustainable Product Development

Sustainability is a megatrend that will only grow in importance in the next decades. Engineers develop products and solutions for the markets, and the markets reflect our values. In our new bachelor's degree, you will specialise in Sustainable Mechanical Engineering, which will guarantee your professional competitiveness in job markets.

Study Content

Mechanical engineering plays a crucial role in both energy production and its consumption. Mechanical design is a key factor in how efficiently raw materials are used, and it often defines the lifespan of products. Mechanical engineering is certainly a pioneer in sustainability.

Your studies in Sustainable Product Development will start with an introduction to the fundamentals of engineering. Applied mathematics and physics will prepare you to adopt mechanical engineering-oriented subjects such as technical mechanics, strength of materials, structural testing, and manufacturing techniques. You will be familiarised with engineering software such as modern CAD tools. You will learn to prepare technical documentation such as drawings and 3D models, and you will gain experience in producing them as products or prototypes.

For example, the key content of your professional studies is mechanical design, intelligent automation and robotics, and management of the product development process and projects, while sustainability is a crosscutting theme.

You will learn how to develop smart and sustainable products and services. You will grow to understand material technologies, with a focus on sustainability and a lifetime cost approach. You will be equipped with skills to effectively utilise the latest CAD & CAE software, as well as digital prototyping. Your toolbox will include strong knowledge of modern manufacturing technologies, the circular economy and project management. Your studies include Finnish language courses. You will use your Finnish skills in your internships and project work courses.

“Our teachers want us to go in there and do as much as possible with our hands and try things in practice.”

Jori Karjalainen, Mechanical Engineering

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Social and Health Care, Bachelor's Degree

“I like this job because it saves lives and improves patients’ quality of life.”

Abdulrahman Alwan, Nursing

Read more: oamk.fi/stories/abdulrahman

Bachelor of Health Care, Nursing

As a Registered Nurse, you are an expert in delivering the highest standards of quality care in primary health care and specialised medical care. You are highly competent in caring for diverse groups of clients and patients from different cultural backgrounds in a multidisciplinary team. You are equipped with leadership and management skills in fast-paced work environments and have the broad evidence-based and organisational skills nursing requires.

Study Content

The degree studies are full-time and are implemented in multiform learning. The evidence-based competences and critical thinking skills needed to work as a Registered Nurse in Finland are achieved using modern teaching methodologies. High Fidelity Simulation (HFS) is incorporated throughout all stages of the study program. Studies are implemented in a hybrid format in either independent or group learning. Oamk has state-of-the-art facilities and utilises the latest technologies in collaboration with other healthcare professionals. Clinical work placements constitute almost half the studies and often require working in shifts (including at weekends) and can be completed in different parts of Finland. After the first year of nursing studies, you will know the fundamentals of nursing care, chronic care nursing, and medical-surgical nursing. You will learn how to give emergency first aid in life-threatening situations. During the second academic year, you will learn how to perform a comprehensive physical examination in a multidisciplinary team, strengthen your knowledge of nursing science, and become familiar with operating theatres and the mental health environment. At the end of the studies, you will learn acute and emergency nursing, gerontological nursing, outpatient and ambulatory care, leadership, clinical judgement and advanced decision-making skills.

Language Requirement

English and Finnish language skills will be assessed in the entrance examination. A minimum Finnish language level of A2 is required for entry. International nursing students will undergo intensive Finnish language training to better prepare themselves for practical training and Finnish working life after graduation.

Immigrants with a nursing background

Immigrants with nursing qualifications obtained outside the EU/EEA will undergo the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) process, which will be personally assessed by the head of the degree program. Previous competencies will be compared with the learning outcomes of Oamk's Nursing curriculum.

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Master's Degrees

“The knowledge you gain from the programme can be applied in many different fields, depending on your own interests and competence.”

Halla Greus, Data Analytics and Project Management

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Data Analytics and Project Management

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA)

90 ECTS | 1–2,5 YEARS

MASTER OF ENGINEERING (MENG)

60 ECTS | 1–2 YEARS

Study Content

Let's explore the incredible merging of two worlds, the world of business and the world of information. On this journey, you can acquire the 21st century instruments to facilitate your professional activities and get an operational and strategic planning tool to be used at any management level, from team to executive, whether you are working for a start-up, SME or large enterprise, government or non-governmental organization, or in the fields of medicine, culture, entertainment, sport, education, or research. If you have your own business, you may learn how data may help you better understand and improve it.

The overwhelming demand for data professionals is justified by the fact that a small discovery may have a significant impact on business outcomes. The challenges of the modern world, along with growing masses of data, bring disruptions to traditional business. To respond, experts able to understand and analyze data are sought after. In both business and non-business domains, data professionals involved in decision-making processes represent one of the fastest growing and most rewarding careers.

The studies will provide you with a deep knowledge of data analysis and the tools you can use to improve processes and decision making in companies and organizations. Data analytics professionals deliver value to their companies by collecting information about specific topics. They then interpret, analyze and present findings in comprehensive reports. Analytics experts are often called on to use their skills and tools to provide competitive analysis and identify trends within industries.

oamk.fi/en/data-analytics

Modern Software and Computing Solutions

**MASTER OF BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION (MBA)**

90 ECTS | 1–2,5 YEARS

**MASTER OF ENGINEERING
(MENG)**

60 ECTS | 1–2 YEARS

The software industry is undergoing a transformation as information becomes digital and data volumes grow in both public organizations and private companies. In the training, you will deepen your knowledge of software techniques and data analysis methods. After graduation, you can work on digital products or services, for example.

Study Content

With digitalization, most of the services offered to consumers and businesses have moved online. The machine learning algorithms used to process user-driven data require so much computing power that even the most efficient consumer computers cannot cope with the computational load, or at least the computation can take hours or even days. Software can be streamlined with appropriate algorithms and data structures. In addition, it is important for the programmer to learn to understand the differences in computational efficiency between different algorithms.

These issues are studied in this degree program. When a lot of data is in motion, it is important to be able to protect it as effectively as possible from outside attacks. Therefore, the degree program also studies the basics of block chain technologies. During the training, you will become familiar with the latest software development technologies, such as data analytics and data visualization, machine learning methods, cloud and micro services, container technologies, high-performance computing, and block chains. During the studies, students' skills in general programming are also strengthened and deepened.

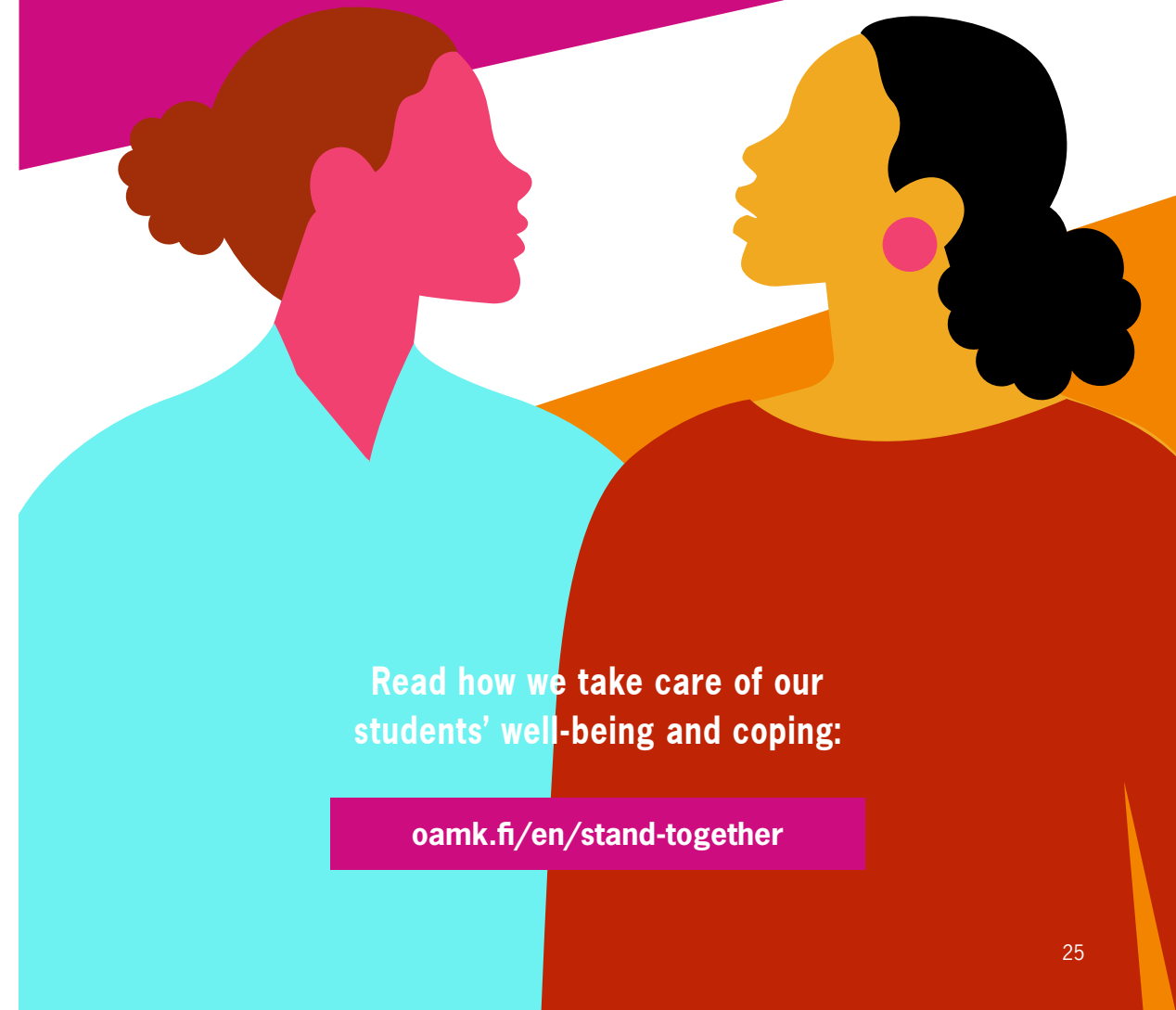
After graduating, you can work as an expert in product development, in projects and in production. Employment options include product development or production management, managing demanding ICT development projects, design and managerial tasks in the ICT field and demanding professional tasks in your respective field.

This degree programme is not included in the first joint application round of 2024.

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STAND TOGETHER

Loneliness. Difficulty to create routines.
Life shrinking around one table.



Read how we take care of our
students' well-being and coping:

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Education Entrepreneurship

The master's degree programme in Education Entrepreneurship bridges the fields of education, entrepreneurship, design and innovation. It focuses on a hands-on approach to support innovations in education, such as building education technology start-ups or social impact initiatives, and leading innovation in educational organisations and companies.

Study Content

The programme supports professionals to access opportunities and networks in the global education innovation community (pedagogical and business). The cohort is expected to be interdisciplinary and international, with the programme completed in a collaborative and working-life focused learning environment.

The degree programme delivers content focusing on competences that enable you to engage in the global education (Edtech) industry and education systems in Finland and around the world.

You will be able to:

- identify opportunities for business and innovation through an interdisciplinary approach in the context of education and training
- design, test and implement an innovative product or service
- practise and share expertise in interdisciplinary and intercultural teams and networks
- build professional networks

The master's degree programme in Education Entrepreneurship collaborates with international high-class top-ranked universities: the University of Pennsylvania (USA) and Tecnológico de Monterrey in Mexico.

The structure of the studies is as innovative as the programme itself. Studies are based on a blended learning model: distance learning sessions using online and video conferencing tools, and between two and four in-person sessions in Oulu. The in-person sessions will take place at various times throughout the academic year, starting with a short mandatory session in Oulu in September with all participants.

The key topics for the first sessions are: programme structure; introductions to Finnish education; entrepreneurship and service design; research methodologies; clarification of product prototype challenges; online components; continued self-paced assignments covering education, entrepreneurship and design; and research thesis topics.

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Digital Performance

This degree bridges the fields of performance art, digital technology, and innovation. It focuses on a hands-on approach to support new innovations and experimentation in performance art with the support of digital technologies.

Study Content

Studying in the degree program will support professionals to embed digital technologies, and innovation and design methodologies into their performance art practice and production work. The cohort is expected to be interdisciplinary and international with the program completed in a collaborative and working-life focused learning environment.

The degree program will also be offered in collaboration with several international industry and university partners. It is expected that these partnerships will support program content by affording opportunities to learn from various international experts and to learn from various cases of performance innovation globally. The program will work with other partner institutions in Europe with relevant expertise in the field of digital performance.

The final project will focus on the practical design, testing and implementation of a digital performance experiment or prototype production. Graduates will be able to identify opportunities for collaboration and innovation through an interdisciplinary design approach in the context of performance art, design, test and implement an innovative arts production or project and practice and share expertise in interdisciplinary and intercultural teams and networks.

This program leads to a higher professional qualification targeting arts professionals, cultural sector innovators and performance producers internationally and in Finland who want to learn more about creating, funding, and managing innovations in digital performance or establishing their own company/non-profit organization.

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General eligibility criteria for 2024 admission

Eligibility criteria for bachelor's degree programmes

Provisions on eligibility for studies in universities of applied sciences are laid down in the Universities of Applied Sciences Act (932/2014).

Eligible applicants for degree studies in a university of applied sciences have completed:

You can apply to a Bachelor's degree programme if you have completed:

- The Finnish general upper secondary school syllabus and/or the matriculation examination an International Baccalaureate (IB) degree or graduated from the IB upper secondary school and written 6 subjects on IB level
- A European Baccalaureate (EB Diploma) from European Schools in Finland or abroad
- A Reifeprüfung (RP) Diploma
- A Deutsche International Abitur Diploma (DIA)
- A Finnish vocational upper secondary qualification with a scope of 120 credit units or 180 credit points, or a comparable previous Finnish vocational qualification with a minimum scope of 80 credit units
- A Finnish post-secondary or higher vocational level diploma
- A Finnish vocational upper secondary qualification or a further or specialist vocational qualification as a competence-based qualification or a comparable previous qualification
- A Foreign qualification that provides eligibility for higher education studies in the country in question
- Bachelor's or Master's degree
- Licentiate or Doctoral degree

Applicants' eligibility is verified as part of the application process either before or after the selection, as the university of applied sciences decides. In certificate-based selection, the applicant must always hold a degree applicable to the selection method in question.

Language requirements for bachelor's degree programmes

All applicants applying with international UAS exam must give a proof of English language skills during the application period.

Up to date information of English language skill requirements can be found at the website.

In addition, applicants applying to Bachelor's degree in Nursing must have Finnish language skills on the level A2. There will be a separate test for language skills organized in March. The test is organized online. More information is found at the website.

Selection methods for the English Bachelor's degree programmes

There are three different selection methods available when applying to English bachelor's degrees at Oulu University of Applied Sciences. Available methods vary between the degree programmes.

1. Finnish National Universities of Applied Sciences Digital Entrance Examination (UAS Exam). An online entrance examination is available in the following study fields:

- Business
- Engineering
- Information Technology
- Social and Health Care

N.B. The field of Social and Health Care has specific requirements related to applicant's health and functional capacity.

All applicants applying with international UAS exam must give a proof of English language skills during the application. The list of the approved tests and methods can be found at the website of Oamk.

The entrance examination assesses the applicants' abilities to study at the universities of applied sciences. The entrance examination does not contain any pre-reading materials or pre-tasks. The entrance examination is one-phased.

In the Mathematical and scientific skills section the applicant may use a function calculator of the entrance examination system. Each section has a minimum accepted score that the applicant has to achieve in order to have the written exam approved. More detailed instructions and information on the date, duration and scoring of the written exam will be published in autumn 2023.

2. SAT test

SECTIONS:

A) Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (min points 400)

- Reading Test
- Writing and Language Test

B) Math (min points 400)

Only the new version of SAT test (completed after March 2016) is accepted. Oamk UAS accepts SAT test results electronically from the SAT database. Applicant must make sure that Oamk UAS has access to the applicant's test result by sending the result electronically from SAT database.

Additionally SAT score report can be ordered straight from the test organiser to be delivered directly to Oamk UAS. Reports printed and sent by applicants themselves are not taken into consideration. The SAT test selection only takes into account the sections performed during the single session.

The SAT test code for Oulu University of Applied Sciences is 7533.

3. Certificate-based selection

- Information Technology:** Minimum points 60 for matriculation examination and IB, EB, RP or DIA
- International Business:** Minimum points 100 for matriculation examination and IB, EB, RP or DIA
Minimum points 75 for Finnish vocational degree
- Mechanical Engineering:** Minimum points for 60 for matriculation examination and IB, EB, RP or DIA

The scoring models of certificate-based selection are maintained and updated on the national website of Finnish universities of applied sciences: www.uasinfo.fi.

Number of study places according to selection method

	Bachelor of Engineering, Information Technology	Bachelor of Engineering, Mechanical Engineering	Bachelor of Business Administration, International Business	Bachelor of Health Care, Nursing
Certificate-based selection: Finnish matriculation examination, Finnish RP/DIA and international IB, EB	15	10	10	-
Certificate-based selection: Finnish vocational degree	-	-	5	-
International University of Applied Sciences exam	30	25	30	22
SAT test	5	5	5	-

General eligibility criteria for English master's degree programmes

- Finnish or international bachelor's degree or higher, the specific fields of studies vary between the degree programmes. The qualification must have been completed by the 11th of July 2024.
- Finnish post-secondary or higher vocational level diploma.
- Two years of field-specific work experience after receiving the higher education degree. The work experience must be from the field of received higher education degree or from the field that is applied to. The work experience required for eligibility must have been acquired by the 31st of July 2024.

Field specific requirements for English master's degree programmes

In addition to general eligibility requirement, some of the master's degree programmes have field-specific eligibility requirements that are listed below. Applicants applying to these degree programmes must meet both the general eligibility requirement for master's degree programmes and the additional field-specific requirements as well as language requirements to be taken into consideration in student selection.

English language requirements for master's degree programmes

All applicants applying for master's degree must demonstrate sufficient proficiency in the English language during the application when applying to one of the English Master's degrees. The language test result must be valid for a minimum of one day during the application period. If the applicant has not demonstrated sufficient proficiency in the English language by the application deadline, the eligibility provided by the applicant's educational background and/or work experience will not be evaluated.

Sufficient English language skills can be proved with one of the following:

TOEFL iBT or TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition

- Minimum requirement score: 92 (with a minimum of 20 in writing section)
- TOEFL scores are valid for two years from the test date.
- Only scanned final test results accepted (no temporary results or applicant's screenshots from online pages).

TOEFL rDT (Revised Paper-delivered Test)

- Minimum requirement scores: Reading 20, Listening 20, Writing 20
- TOEFL scores are valid for two years from the test date.
- Only scanned final test results accepted (no temporary results or applicant's screenshots from online pages).

IELTS Academic or IELTS Indicator

- Minimum requirement: Overall score 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 per each section
- IELTS test report forms are valid for two years
- Only scanned final test results accepted (no temporary results or applicant's screenshots from online pages).

Pearson Test of English, PTE Academic, PTE Academic Online

- Minimum requirement: Overall score 62, with a minimum of 52 in writing section
- Once you receive your test score, send it to Oulu University of Applied Sciences from your PTE account. After this, we should have access to your test results within 48 hours. Be advised that online language test results will only be accepted from the test organiser.
- The PTE Academic scores are valid for up to two years from the date of the exam.
- Only scanned final test results accepted (no temporary results or applicant's screenshots from online pages).

C2 Proficiency (former Cambridge English: Proficiency, CPE)

- Pass Level A, B, C or level C1 certificate
- No expiry date for test result.
- Only scanned final test results accepted (no temporary results or applicant's screenshots from online pages).

C1 Advanced (former Cambridge English: Advanced, CAE)

- Pass Level A, B, C
- No expiry date for test result.
- Only scanned final test results accepted (no temporary results or applicant's screenshots from online pages).

National Certificate of Language Proficiency by Finnish National Board of Education

- Skill level 5 in the following subtests; reading, writing, listening and speaking
- No expiry date for test result.
- Please notice that this test is only available in Finland. National language proficiency certificates from other countries are not accepted.
- Only scanned final test results accepted (no temporary results or applicant's screenshots from online pages).

Bachelor's, Master's or Doctoral degree in English in EU/EEA country, Australia, Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, New Zealand, or the United States o The degree must be completed in a university or university of applied sciences in EU/EEA country, Australia, Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, New Zealand, or the United States excluding online degrees and offshore campuses.

- Please note that the document must clearly state that the language of education is English.
- Upload a copy of the transcript of records of Bachelor, Master or Doctoral's degree conducted in English language to the electronic application. If original document is not issued in English, Finnish or Swedish, translation to one of the languages is also required.

20 ECTS credits of studies conducted in English language at a Finnish higher education institution o Credits must be completed at a Finnish University or a University of Applied Sciences.

- Courses can include e.g. internships and language courses as long as the language of instruction can be verified to be English
- The transcript of records must be clearly stating the courses completed in English.
- Upload a copy of transcript of records from a Finnish university or a university of applied sciences in Finnish, Swedish or English o Studies conducted in English at a university outside of Finland for example during student exchange are not accepted.

Higher education degree completed in a Finnish higher education institution

- You can prove your language skills with a degree completed in a Finnish university or university of applied sciences if you have demonstrated foreign language proficiency in the English language in accordance with the Government Decree on University Degrees (794/2004) or University of Applied Sciences Degrees (1129/2014)

Selection methods for the English master's degree programmes

There are two different selection methods available at Oulu University of Applied Sciences depending on the degree programme

- 1) Advance assignment and interview
- 2) Entrance examination course

1. Advance assignment and interview

Advance assignment

Advance assignment contains three documents: Cover letter, Curriculum Vitae, and Preliminary Plan. The advance assignment is evaluated on a scale approved/rejected. The required length as well as the content requirement of each document varies between the degree programmes and the exact instructions can be found from the website of each master's degree programme.

The advance assignment should be submitted in English in pdf-format and uploaded to the online application by the given deadline.

For the degree programmes that have both Advance Assignment and the mandatory interview as part of their student selection, evaluate advance assignment on a scale approved/rejected. The interview is evaluated on a scale of 0 to 100 points (lowest score to pass being 20). The lowest score for acceptance varies annually.

Interview

The maximum number of applicants invited to an interview is twice the number of available study places. The interview period will take place in March-April 2024. Interviews are evaluated on a scale of 0 to 100 points (min. points 20). You can find the selection methods for each master's degree programme from the table in the end of this section.

2. Entrance examination course

In those degree programmes, that use entrance examination course as selection method, applicants must fill in the online application form at the studyinfo website during the application period in January 2024. After filling in the online application, applicants can register to the entrance examination course, Introduction to Programming (KA00EH69). The course is free of charge and organised online, the scope being 5 ECTS. The registration for the entrance examination course ends on January 17, 2024. The studies will take place on January 18 - February 24, 2024. The course is scored from 0 to 100 points. The minimum score for an acceptable performance is 20 points.

More detailed information about the entrance examination course selection is available at the website of the Oulu university of applied sciences.

Number of study places according to selection method

Selection method	Master of Culture and Arts, Digital Performance	Master of Culture and Arts, Education Entrepreneurship	Master of Business Administration, Data analytics and project management	Master of Engineering, Data analytics and project management
Entrance examination course	-	-	20	20
Advance Assignment and interview	20	20	-	-

How to apply in Finnish national joint application

1. Fill in the online application form at www.studyinfo.fi The application form is available during the application period 3-17 January 2024.
2. When applying to Bachelor's degree, upload the pdf copies of your upper secondary school diploma or higher education diploma in addition to your academic transcript all in original language, official English translation of them and proof of English language skills to the online application before the deadline of documents. Up to date requirement for English language skills is available at the website. If you have upper secondary school diploma from Finland, please make sure that Studyinfo registry has your updated schooling information.

If you are about to graduate in the spring 2024 and have a qualification outside Finland, the scanned copy your final diploma will be checked when you accept your study place or on the 11 July at the latest.

3. When applying to Master's degree, upload the pdf copies of your Bachelor's degree and academic transcripts in original language in addition to official English translations of them as well as proof of English language skills to the online application before the deadline of documents. If you have degrees from Finland, please make sure that Studyinfo registry has your updated degree information.

The eligibility for the degree programme is evaluated from the documents uploaded to the online application. The mandatory requirement of 2 years field specific work experience is checked once confirming the study place.

- Advance assignments are also uploaded to the application at this point. Invitations to the possible entrance examinations are sent to all invited applicants by email.
- If the degree programme you are applying to has entrance exam course as a selection method, please make sure to register to the course before the registration ends.

The results of the student selection will be published in the end of May 2024.

Note that all decisions of student selection are conditional until the original documents are verified in the beginning of studies.

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