

WELCOME TO STUDY IN

# FINLAND

THE HAPPIEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD



# WELCOME TO FINLAND

**Finland is a Nordic country situated in northern Europe. Finland represents both the Nordic democracy and its way of life as a member of the European Union.**

In Finland we believe in equality, democracy and taking good care of each other. Good education is the cornerstone of our society. All Finns have equal opportunities to study and learn.

## FINLAND IS FAMOUS FOR ITS QUALITY OF EDUCATION

In Finland, we have one of the most advanced education systems in the world. According to the Global Competitiveness Report 2017–2018 Finland has the best education in the GDP-adjusted ranking. Finland has remained among top European Union countries where school students have excellent international PISA (Programme for International Students Assessment) test results.

## UNIVERSITIES OF APPLIED SCIENCES IN FINLAND

The Finnish system of higher education comprises universities and universities of applied sciences. The universities of applied sciences offer tailored education to the practical needs of the employment market – an appropriate mix of theory and practice. In addition to instruction, their tasks include applied research and development as well as regional development. The universities of applied sciences award both Bachelor's and Master's degrees.



# FINLAND IN A NUTSHELL

Capital:  
Helsinki



Population:  
5.5 million

Currency  
unit: euro



Official languages:  
Finnish and  
Swedish

Four distinct and  
beautiful seasons



The land of  
midnight sun and  
aurora borealis

The land of  
thousands of  
lakes and saunas



A highly  
educated  
country

Most Finns speak  
good English



Famous brands:  
Angry Birds,  
Moomins, Santa  
Claus, Nokia,  
Supercell, Kone,  
Marimekko, Slush

Finland has  
the lowest rate of  
organized crime  
in the world



**HAPPIEST  
COUNTRY  
IN THE WORLD**

*Source: World Happiness  
Report 2018*

**GREENEST  
COUNTRY  
IN THE WORLD**

*Source: The Environmental  
Performance Index*

**BEST  
UNIVERSITIES  
IN THE WORLD**

*Source: The Times Higher  
Education 2018*

**SAFEST  
COUNTRY  
IN THE WORLD**

*Source: World Economic  
Forum*

# WELCOME TO SATAKUNTA

Satakunta University of Applied Sciences (SAMK) is located on the western coast of Finland, in the Satakunta region. The campuses are located in Pori and Rauma. The towns offer spacious and safe living conditions, a lot of green nature and excellent opportunities for leisure activities. The towns are big enough to offer all the necessary services but also small enough to have a cozy and friendly atmosphere. Coastal Finland with its stunningly beautiful archipelago offers a variety of fascinating destinations that are easy to reach. There are lots of events, an interesting cultural life, plenty of creative people and fantastic nature all around us.

Satakunta is one of the most industrialized and export oriented provinces in Finland. Right now, there are approximately EUR 1.1 billion investments going on in Satakunta.

“SATAKUNTA REGION IS SKILLED AND ENERGETIC COASTAL REGION IN FINLAND. WE ARE FREE OF TRAFFIC JAMS, WE HAVE FANTASTIC NATURE AND AFFORDABLE LIVING COSTS. WELCOME TO CREATE YOUR OWN EXPERIENCE IN SATAKUNTA!”



Asko Aro-Heinilä  
Region Mayor, Satakunta region



SATAKUNTA  
FINLAND

# PORI – A WEST COAST GEM



The Pori district is the 8th largest economic and employment area in Finland. The city of Pori has a population of about 85,000.

Pori has a cozy city center with good services and everything near. The central park, Kirjurinluoto, is just five minutes away from the city centre and full of garden areas, nature trails, playgrounds, events and experiences.

Yyteri beach is one of the most family-friendly beaches in Europe with its 6 kilometres long beach. According to the Guardian Yyteri is also the best beach in Northern Europe.

One can travel to Pori by bus and train as well as by airplane. A flight from Helsinki to Pori only takes about 30 minutes.

“PORI IS THE ENGINE OF FINLAND’S ECONOMY. IT IS A CITY WITH UNIQUE NATURE AND GREAT CULTURE AND SPORTS WITH FANTASTIC PEOPLE. I WANT TO WARMLY WELCOME ALL NEW STUDENTS TO FIND THEIR NEW COMFORT ZONES IN PORI.”



Aino-Maija Luukkonen  
Mayor, City of Pori

# THE BEAUTIFUL CITY OF RAUMA



The city of Rauma is the third oldest city in Finland with a population of about 40,000. Rauma is a lively and friendly industrial city and home to two Unesco World Heritage Sites – a unique Nordic wooden town Old Rauma and a Bronze Age burial site Sammallahdenmäki. Rauma archipelago offers refreshingly breezy experiences, accessible either by daily water bus

connections or boat. The archipelago consists of approximately 300 beautiful islands close to the city.

There are regular bus connections to Rauma from Helsinki, Tampere, Turku and Pori, among others.

# SATAKUNTA UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

# WELCOME TO SAMK

**Satakunta University of Applied Sciences, SAMK, is a higher education institution authorized by the Government of Finland. We are a multidisciplinary, internationally oriented university. We offer both Bachelor's and Master's degrees in the faculties of Health and Welfare, Logistics and Maritime Technology, Service Business and Technology.**

## HIGH QUALITY OF EDUCATION

SAMK is known for its quality of education. Our students have ranked us to be the number 1 in the quality of education (Survey of Finnish Ministry of Education and Culture for those graduated from university of applied sciences in 2009–2018 in Finland).

## EMPLOYMENT OF SAMK GRADUATES

SAMK has the highest employment rate outside the metropolitan area in Finland (Survey of Finnish Ministry of Education and Culture). Most of the students find a permanent job right after graduation from SAMK. One year after graduation, over 80% have found a job.

SAMK is fully licensed and programmes are accredited by Finland's Ministry of Education. SAMK is an official Member of Education Finland Group.

The Finnish Education Centre Karvi, FINEEC, has audited SAMK. SAMK also has an ISO 9001:2015 compliant certificate, granted by the DNV Business Assurance Management System Certificate.

The degree programmes of International Business and Business Management and Entrepreneurship were awarded NIBS International Accreditation for a period of 5 years from May 2018. The programmes have achieved a very satisfactory level of internationalisation and excel in several key areas.



“SAMK OFFERS STUDENTS A DIVERSE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT MEETING THE LATEST REQUIREMENTS. WE PROVIDE EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUILDING ONE'S OWN COMPETENCE AND SKILLS. OUR VISION IS THAT ALL SAMK STUDENTS WILL BE EMPLOYED AND STUDENTS ARE PROVIDED WITH THE BEST POSSIBLE SKILLS FOR EMPLOYMENT. WELCOME TO SAMK!”



Jari Multisilta  
President, Managing Director

# SAMK IN NUMBERS

4  
campuses

13  
in English  
30  
in Finnish

DEGREE  
PROGRAMMES

6000  
students

300  
international  
students

60  
nationalities  
on campuses

400  
staff  
members

200  
partner  
institutions  
around the  
world

SAMK China  
Office in  
Changzhou  
city



# DEGREE PROGRAMMES IN ENGLISH:

## BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMMES:

- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Industrial Management
- International Business
- International Tourism Management
- Logistics
- Nursing
- Physiotherapy
- Robotics
- Sea Captain

## MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMMES:

- Business Management and Entrepreneurship
- Maritime Management
- Rehabilitation
- Welfare Technology

## NEW IN 2021:

Master's Degree Programme in  
Tourism Management



# BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



 **210 ECTS**  **3.5 years**  **Pori**

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is shaking the field of technology as we speak. In addition to its impact on science it has already changed the way we develop new products, games and services.

Today AI is in a form of tools and libraries that doesn't require scientific background to use them. There is a growing demand for programmers with hands-on experience and understanding of these tools that can harness the power of AI in different usage scenarios.

## BE THE NEXT AI SPECIALIST

Students will get hands on experience on applying AI-tools in cooperation with the vivid ecosystem of companies in the field of Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning and Robotics located in Pori.

## YOUR STUDIES CONTAIN

- Basic studies (e.g. applied mathematics, natural sciences, communication)
- Professional studies (e.g. AI, machine learning, data science)
- Elective studies
- Practical training and Bachelor's thesis
- Studies are carried out in English in a multicultural group of students in close cooperation with working life through projects.

## LEARN

- Fundamentals of AI
- Supervised, unsupervised and reinforcement learning
- Neural networks, including deep learning and self-organizing networks
- Natural language processing and semantic computing
- Programming and software engineering
- Hands-on studies in AI tools and environments
- Data preparation studies
- Entrepreneurial studies

## STUDY AMONG THE EXPERTS

Students are mentored by the experts of RoboAI consisting of 20 experts working in the fields of automation, robotics, artificial intelligence and welfare technology. RoboAI functions as a global innovation platform for research and development as well as education and competence. The centre of RoboAI is the joint use laboratory of SAMK Campus Pori.

## GOAL OF THE STUDIES

The goal of the studies is to prepare the students for the versatile demands of the modern working life.

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN **INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT**



 **240 ECTS**  **3–4 years**  **Blended learning**

Do you want to study a degree that qualifies you both in engineering as well as in business management? Do you want to study in English? We offer engineering studies via distance learning in close cooperation with employment market.

## **YOUR STUDIES CONTAIN**

designing, planning and optimization of products and manufacturing processes with product development, purchasing, human resources management and business management.

Studies consist of basic studies, professional studies, practical training and bachelor's thesis. Studies are carried out in English in a multicultural group of students in close cooperation with working life through projects.

## **GOALS OF THE STUDIES**

You will gain a combination of engineering skills and understanding of business management. You will develop a theoretical understanding of engineering as well as an analytical approach to work.

## **STUDY ARRANGEMENTS**

Blended learning gives you an opportunity to study flexibly in your own time. You will study and communicate in a global network of students and teachers. The studies also include contact teaching days which will take place as online lectures. In addition, you need to be present in Rauma 2–3 contact days at the beginning of every semester.

## **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduating students find employment in many different industries from metal or marine industry to different service industries.

**“DISTANCE STUDYING CAN FEEL CHALLENGING AT FIRST, BUT YOU LEARN NEW SKILLS IN A NEW ENVIRONMENT.”**



Vaklin Angelov,  
Student

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS



 **210 ECTS**  **3.5 years**  **Rauma**

The Degree Programme in International Business will prepare you to work on a broad scale of tasks in the international business environment. You will gain competence with the focus on Marketing Logistics, Business Opportunity and Strategy, Supply Chain Management and Service Design.

## YOUR STUDIES

- Will give you business skills and professional competence within the broad scope of international business
- Are based on the innovative learning environments including Problem Based Learning and Coaching: you will work in international groups on real-life cases and present group solutions to real-life companies
- Are carried out in English in a multicultural group of students in close cooperation with working life through projects.

## GOALS OF THE STUDIES

- You are able to handle all the necessary operations along the international supply chain
- You are creative and innovative in designing services for international businesses
- You can work in multicultural teams and networks

- You have the necessary tools for solving problems and communicating the solutions.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

After graduating you can work for example as marketing and purchasing manager, import and export assistant or controller in an international business.

## NIBS ACCREDITED



The International Business degree programme was awarded NIBS International Accreditation for a period of 5 years from May 2018. The programme has achieved a very satisfactory level of internationalisation and excels in several key areas.

“THERE ARE MULTIPLE OPTIONS TO WORK IN FINLAND OR ABROAD AFTER YOUR STUDIES HERE AT SAMK.”



Meliha Arslan,  
Student

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL TOURISM MANAGEMENT



 210 ECTS  3.5 years  Pori

## BUSINESS AND WELLBEING FROM NATURE

The degree programme provides you with competence to support the competitiveness of tourism destinations and organisations in international tourism markets. You will develop knowledge of various tourism-related sectors and actors for boosting the growth of international tourism business. You will gain a broad perspective of contemporary tourism industry and its development at destination and organisational level and develop competence in managing destinations as well as business operations in a multicultural, global environment.

You learn to utilise the northern nature and its wonders to provide tourists with unforgettable experiences, especially in a marine and coastal environment. In addition to business studies, you explore tourism from different perspectives including responsibility, safety and security, law and well-being. A chance to apply the already learned in real working life cooperation during the studies supports the student's career planning and employment.

## STUDY ARRANGEMENTS

The language of tuition is English. The studies are implemented in cooperation with the tourism industry, i.e. a variety of service providers, sales

intermediaries, authorities and associations. Our domestic and international partners can also provide an opportunity for mutual learning and innovations. You have also a possibility for hands-on learning in a variety of projects, practical training (30 ECTS) and student exchange abroad.

## FOCUS AREAS

- Boosts international tourism development
- Creates experiences based on various natural resources
- Manages destinations and organisations in a multicultural, global environment

## MODULES OF THE CURRICULUM

- Orientation Studies
- Tourism Industry
- Boosting International Tourism
- Destination Management
- Managing Tourism Business Operations
- Coastal and Maritime Tourism
- Practical Training
- Elective and Complementing Professional Studies
- Research Studies, Thesis and Maturity Exam

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

You will get excellent opportunities to different tourism-related jobs, such as supervisors, developers, coordinators and managers.

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN LOGISTICS

 **240 ECTS**  **3–4 years**  **Blended learning**

Do you want to study a degree that qualifies you both in engineering as well as in logistics? Do you want to study in English? We offer engineering studies via distance learning in close cooperation with employment market.

## YOUR STUDIES INCLUDE

- External and outbound logistics including transportation technology and distribution management
- Inbound and internal logistics related to sourcing, materials management and manufacturing.

Studies consist of basic studies, professional studies, practical training and bachelor's thesis. Studies are carried out in English in a multicultural group of students in close cooperation with working life through projects.

## GOALS OF THE STUDIES

You will gain a combination of engineering skills and understanding of logistics management. You will develop a theoretical understanding of engineering as well as an analytical approach to work.

## STUDY ARRANGEMENTS

Blended learning gives you an opportunity to study flexibly in your own time. You will study and communicate in a global network of students and teachers. The studies also include contact teaching days which will take place as online lectures. In addition, you need

to be present in Rauma 2–3 contact days in the beginning of every semester.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduating students find employment in many different industries from metal or marine industry to different service industries.



“LOGISTICS STUDENTS HAVE IMPLEMENTED VARIOUS PROJECTS IN OUR PRODUCTION, INCLUDING A WORKPLACE SIMULATION PROJECT. THE PROJECTS HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT IN GOOD COOPERATION, AND WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO UTILISE THEIR RESULTS IN PRACTICE. THESE PROJECTS GIVE THE COMPANY AND THE STUDENTS A CHANCE TO GET TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER, AND POSITIVE EXPERIENCES MAY EVEN LEAD TO EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES.”



Piia Rapeli,  
Oras Group

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN NURSING

 **210 ECTS**  **3.5 years**  **Pori**

The Degree Programme in Nursing will prepare you for a valued profession, in which you will be working with clients of different age groups promoting their health and wellbeing and treating their diseases. You will gain competences based on ethical principles, comprehensive and multidisciplinary knowledge, practical skills and interaction skills.

## YOUR STUDIES

- Basic studies (e.g. Communication Skills and Basic Nursing Interventions)
- Professional studies (e.g. Medical and Surgical Nursing, Child and Family Nursing, Mental Health Nursing, Gerontological and District Nursing, Clinical Calculation)
- Practical training and Bachelor's thesis are carried out in English in a multicultural group of students in close cooperation with working life through projects and utilizing e-learning and clinical simulations.

## GOALS OF THE STUDIES

- Your professionalism is based on health promotion and ethical practice
- You are able to work independently and in multidisciplinary teams
- You are creative and innovative in developing client-oriented services.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As a graduated nurse you can work in different care settings from clients' homes and open

counseling centres to intensive care units in hospitals as well as a private entrepreneur.

## MODERN AND VERSATILE CAMPUS

The campus has a modern simulation centre where students can practice nursing in a multidisciplinary manner in conditions corresponding to reality.

## MEMBER OF ENNE NETWORK



SAMK is a member of European Network of Nursing Educations (ENNE).

The main goal of ENNE is to support quality improving innovations in nursing education and broaden students' horizons to the European workforce.



“INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION OPENS VARIOUS DOORS TO WORKING LIFE. MY DREAM IS TO TRAVEL THE WORLD WORKING.”



Noora Lempinen,  
Student

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN PHYSIOTHERAPY

 **210 ECTS**  **3.5 years**  **Pori**

The Degree Programme in Physiotherapy opens opportunities to work within field of rehabilitation both in the private and in the public sector. Your core knowledge is in the field of assessment and support of movement and function.

SAMK is the only Nordic university which offers a Bachelor-level degree in Physiotherapy in English.

## YOUR STUDIES

You will study human functional and movement capacity, evidence based methods of physiotherapy and research and development of physiotherapy as well as communication and interaction skills.

Your studies are based on modules and practical studies are integrated with theoretical studies. You may conduct a part of theoretical studies and clinical practice abroad.

## STUDY ARRANGEMENTS

Your studies are carried out in English in a multicultural group of students in close cooperation with working life through projects.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

After graduation you will be able to draw up a high-quality, evidence based physiotherapy plan together with a client and base the plan on assessment, the client's needs and clinical

reasoning. You will also have good multicultural, interactive and educational skills. You will be able to implement projects.

You can work in hospitals, health care centres, private practice, industry, sport clubs and clinics and non-governmental organizations, with people of all ages.

## MODERN AND VERSATILE CAMPUS

The new SAMK-campus is located in the city centre of Pori and it is future's learning environment. We provide modern facilities also for hands-on learning.

## MEMBER OF ENPHE NETWORK



SAMK is a member of European Network of Physiotherapy in Higher Education (ENPHE).



# BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN **ROBOTICS**

 **240 ECTS**  **4 years**  **Pori**

The degree programme combines electronics, mechatronics, artificial intelligence and programming in the design, development and application of robots and their integration with other systems. The pedagogic approach of the study program is based on project-based learning. The students are given an authentic, real-world context for learning.

## BE THE NEXT R&D SPECIALIST

Students face complex challenges in a real-world environment where problem-solving, collaboration and creativity are highly valued skills. Local companies are involved in the study process – they provide the students with the R&D tasks and their experts act as mentors for the students.

## YOUR STUDIES CONTAIN

- Basic studies (e.g. natural science and communication)
- Professional studies
- Elective studies
- Practical training and bachelor's thesis.
- Studies are carried out in English in a multicultural group of students in close cooperation with working life through projects.



## LEARN

- Automation
- Robotics
- Mechanics and electronics
- Programming
- Machine vision

## STUDY AMONG THE EXPERTS

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## GOAL OF THE STUDIES

Goal of the studies is to prepare the students for the versatile demands of the modern working life.

# BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN SEA CAPTAIN

 270 ECTS  4.5 years  Rauma

Maritime industry offers one of the most exciting and diverse career paths for anyone who aspires to become a member of a seafaring crew through completing the required certificates of proficiency.

## YOUR STUDIES INCLUDE

- Navigation and Ship Handling
- Shipping Technology and Shipping Economics
- Seamanship and Leadership Skills
- Ship Service and Maintenance and Ship Building
- Ship Engines and Technical Systems
- General Operators Certificate (GOC)
- Maritime Law and Legislation
- Ship Safety and Emergency Management

## GOALS OF THE STUDIES

While proceeding in your studies you gradually learn to work in a challenging environment and to make quick decisions. You will also get used to the special demands of life at sea, such as being able to adapt to different situations, to take responsibility and to be flexible.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Seafarers with a Scandinavian degree in Maritime Studies are in high demand, especially for management level positions. Depending on their work experience they often work as officers, chief officers or Masters on board



the ships. Later in their career many seafarers seek employment on shore for example as pilots or in port state control. Typical land-based careers include work at port organizations or in stevedoring companies, in shore organizations of shipping companies or in chartering agencies.

## WHAT IS UNIQUE IN SEA CAPTAIN STUDIES AT SAMK

- Latest maritime simulator technology taken in use 2016
- Audited Dynamic Positioning Training by Nautical Institute in July 2017
- Awarded by RINA/LR maritime safety award 2016 as part of SEAHORSE consortium
- SAMK is a member of IAMU (International Association of Maritime Universities)
- SAMK is a member of IMCA (International Maritime Contractors Association)
- Rauma and Pori are cities in the heart of a maritime cluster in Finland.

## BIMCO MEMBER



BIMCO is the world's largest international shipping association, with around 2,000 members in more than 120 countries.

# MASTER'S DEGREE IN **BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**



## Master of Business Administration

 **90 ECTS**  **2.5 years**  **Blended learning**

Are you looking for a way to move forward in your professional life? New strategic thinking, new business concepts, excellent networking and leadership skills are in high demand in the global business environment.

Business Management and Entrepreneurship (BME) develops the competences needed in strategic management and in developing business operations. The focus is on small and medium-sized enterprises, especially on their international business activities. BME also promotes international networking between working life and higher education. Advanced professional studies include e.g. strategy work, strategic marketing, business processes, innovation and change management as well as cross-cultural teamwork and leadership.

### GOALS OF DEGREE STUDIES

are to enhance students' skills in business management in the changing domestic and international operating environment, especially in the SME sector. Additionally our goal is to enhance the students' personal abilities to succeed as an innovator, reformer and developer of an SME or other working organisation.

The students will be able to develop and manage business processes as an entrepreneur and to take an entrepreneurial approach. They can promote international networking of working life and higher education.

### YOUR STUDIES CONTAIN

A total amount of 90 ECTS. The studies consist of Advanced Professional Studies (55 ECTS) (three modules: Analysing Business Environment, Competent Individuals and Learning Organisations, and Developing Innovative Business Strategies and Operations), Elective Studies (min. 5 ECTS), and Master's Thesis (30 ECTS). Blended learning approach enables combining work and study with flexibility or even studying from abroad.

### STUDY ARRANGEMENTS

The Degree programme is also well-suited for students coming from abroad. E-Learning is used over 90 % of the time. There are about 4-5 contact sessions per academic year. Each contact session takes 2-3 days in Rauma. Lectures between the contact days are conducted online.



# MASTER'S DEGREE IN **MARITIME MANAGEMENT**



**Master of Maritime Management | Master of Engineering**

 **60 ECTS**  **1.5–2 years**  **Blended learning**

Maritime Management is a Master's degree programme for sea captains and marine engineers who want to deepen their managerial expertise in safe international marine shipping as well as economical, legal and contractual expertise in maritime business.

For already thirteen years SAMK has provided this Master programme for the seafarers who have wanted to continue their careers in shipping companies and maritime administrations leadership. Since 2017 the Master programme has also been open for Marine engineers.

Part of the studies are combined with voluntary contact lectures in Copenhagen and London.

## **YOUR STUDIES**

The Master's Programme in Maritime Management will offer deeper insight into management of international shipping, shipping legislation and contract management,

risk assessment, safety and security management, casualty management, resilience engineering, energy and environment of shipping, and modern automation and ICT applications in marine industry. Throughout the studies the development of Autonomous shipping (MASS) is highlighted to students both from legal and technical point of views.

## **STUDY ARRANGEMENTS**

Teaching is carried out through blended learning, which enables studying while working. The studies take from 1,5 to 2 years.

## **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Master's studies on Maritime Management serve to educate highly skilled, competent and innovative specialists for demanding development, management and expert positions in maritime management companies and organisations. Both vertical and horizontal career paths are likely to take place, even before the Master's studies have been completed.

# MASTER'S DEGREE IN REHABILITATION

Master of Health Care | Master of Social Services

 90 ECTS  2 years  Blended learning



Are you looking for a way to move forward in your professional life? The rehabilitation field is developing globally and innovative specialists are in huge demand. This Master's Programme is for you, who want to develop your competence in rehabilitation.

The Master's Degree in Rehabilitation provides you with specific competences in rehabilitation sciences and evidence-based knowledge of the field. During the studies you develop skills, which you can use in management, research and development work. This programme offered in English will also develop skills in international interaction and communication.

## YOUR STUDIES CONTAIN

A total amount of 90 ECTS. The studies consist of Advanced professional studies (25 ECTS), Elective studies (min. 5 ECTS), Research and management studies (30 ECTS) and Master's thesis (30 ECTS). The blended learning approach enables combining work and study with flexibility or even studying from abroad.

## STUDY ARRANGEMENTS

The Degree Programme is also well-suited for students coming from abroad. E-Learning is used over 90 % of the time. The study arrangements are flexible. There are, however scheduled contact days in Pori (3 days /period)

a few times per academic year. Lectures between the contact days are conducted online.

## FUTURE EMPLOYMENT

After graduating from the Master's Degree Programme in Rehabilitation, you can work in demanding expert and management tasks or in RDI activities in the public sector, in enterprises or other organizations. SAMK also supports establishment of your own business.

## INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

We welcome applicants who have 2 years of post-graduate working experience and who hold a bachelor's degree in rehabilitation, healthcare or social services (e.g. physiotherapist, nurse, public health nurse, rehabilitation councillor, bachelor of social services). A UAS Master's Degree provides the same competence level as a Master's degree from a university.

“THE TEACHING METHOD IS OPEN-MINDED SO WE HAVE A CHANCE TO DISCUSS FREELY.”



Danmei He,  
Student

# MASTER'S DEGREE IN WELFARE TECHNOLOGY (MSc)



**Master of Engineering | Master of Health Care**

 **60/90 ECTS**  **1.5–2 years**  **Blended learning**

Would you like to enhance your career prospects? If you are a professional in engineering, business, health care or social services with 2 years of post-graduate working experience, you are warmly welcome to apply for our programme.

## WE OFFER YOU

- An innovative programme in Welfare Technology in a multiprofessional environment with close links to working life
- A wide range of courses with flexible study modes to meet your needs
- International network of experts and project partners.

This Master's degree programme aims at educating professionals who can operate at the interface of care service providers, business and technical subjects in order to develop competences required to transform service deliveries, restructure organizations and streamline service processes.

Completion of Master's degree is built on your previous experience and education and allows you to tailor your learning to meet your individual career development, industry background and requirements of your organization. Elective studies allow you to enhance your prospects in the fields of

management, ICT or indoor environment.

## YOUR STUDIES CONTAIN

A total amount of 60 or 90 ECTS depending on your Bachelor's degree. The studies consist of advanced studies in Welfare Technology (20–30 ECTS), research and management studies (5–25 ECTS), elective studies (min. 5 ECTS), and Master's thesis (30 ECTS). Blended learning approach enables combining work and study with flexibility or even studying from abroad.

## ASSESSMENT

is based on variety of assignments, course works or exams, and research project/thesis.

“STUDENTS ARE MOTIVATED TO SOLVE PROBLEMS BASED ON THE REAL NEEDS OF COMPANIES. IN OUR COMPANY, COLLABORATION WITH THE SATAKUNTA UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES HAS RESULTED IN EXCELLENT RESULTS AND NEW IDEAS WHICH WE CAN UTILISE IN OUR CONSTANTLY EVOLVING OPERATIONS.”



Jani Hiljanen,  
Tukimet Ltd

# STUDYING AT A UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

**Studying at a university of applied sciences in Finland is more varied than just attending lectures and taking exams. Studying consists of contact learning, distance learning, blended learning, e-learning, projects, company visits and practical training.**

Students are encouraged to be active and most importantly interactive and they get a chance to learn and practice practical skills required in their future work already during their studies.

## SERVING THE EMPLOYMENT MARKET AND BUSINESSES

Cooperation with enterprises is an asset for the universities of applied sciences. SAMK has yearly about 300 student projects together with companies and organizations. Cooperation with enterprises gives the studies a practical view.

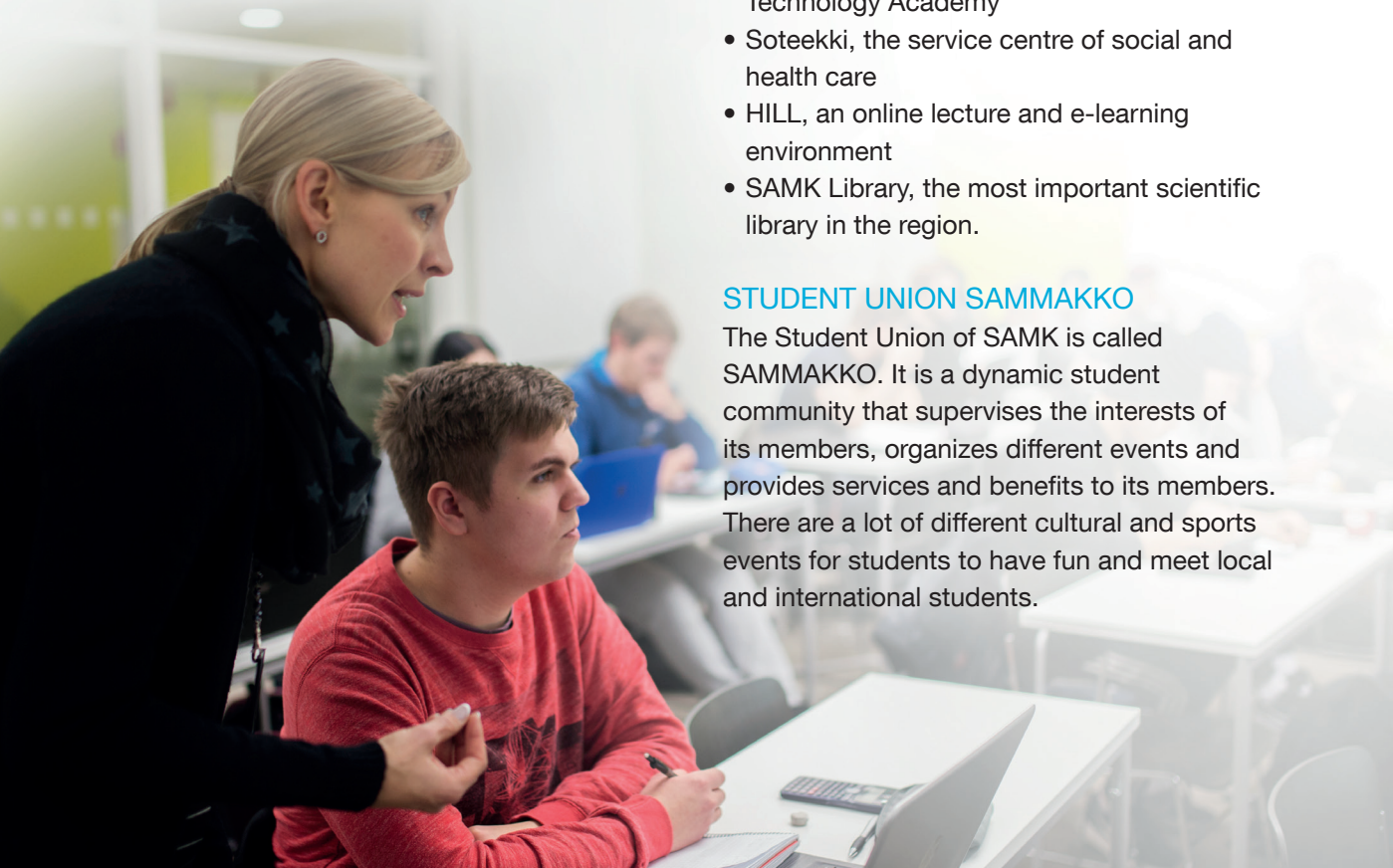
Practical training is a part of all degrees in a university of applied sciences in Finland. This means that all students must find a traineeship of their own field in an institution or a company.

## EVOLVING STUDY ENVIRONMENTS

- Automation laboratory
- Maritime simulator
- Nursing simulator
- Enterprise Accelerator
- SAMK Bridge, educational travel agency
- Artificial Intelligence Academy, Electric Academy, Robotics Academy, Business and Technology Academy
- Soteekki, the service centre of social and health care
- HILL, an online lecture and e-learning environment
- SAMK Library, the most important scientific library in the region.

## STUDENT UNION SAMMAKKO

The Student Union of SAMK is called SAMMAKKO. It is a dynamic student community that supervises the interests of its members, organizes different events and provides services and benefits to its members. There are a lot of different cultural and sports events for students to have fun and meet local and international students.



# SAMK CAMPUSES

International student services:

International student trainee • International student tutors • Teacher tutors



International environments: students from all continents



Excellent student health care



Subsidized lunch at campus restaurants



Student discounts around the Satakunta region with the student card



Campuses easy to reach by bike or on foot from the dormitories



Safety: 24h Video surveillance



Wifi on campuses



## PORI

The new SAMK Campus Pori is located in the city centre of Pori next to the Travel Centre. It is a future learning environment, a diversified campus, where one can study business, health care and social services, technology and tourism. There are over 4000 students studying in Pori campus.

## RAUMA

The renovated campus in Rauma is a study centre for offshore technology, international business and logistics. The campus is located close to the port. There are about 1500 students studying in Rauma campus.

# INTERNATIONAL SAMK

**SAMK is truly international with a wide international network.  
Every year SAMK attracts over 300 students from almost 60 countries.**

All SAMK students have a possibility to participate in international student and trainee exchange in Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa or America. SAMK has almost 200 partner universities all over the world. Furthermore, the international academic visiting staff bring their own inspiring addition to the multicultural atmosphere.

## ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME

All SAMK students have a possibility for an exchange period at a European higher education institution through Erasmus+ programme. The students also receive a grant for the studies abroad.

## EXCHANGE STUDIES AT SAMK

SAMK warmly welcomes exchange students from our partner institutions abroad. We have agreements with almost 200 educational institutions around the world and plenty of choices from first year studies to 4th year studies.

## SUMMER AND WINTER CAMPS

SAMK organizes several types of Summer and Winter Camps in Pori and Rauma Campuses. You are warmly welcome to participate in camps like Robotics, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Practical English, Finnish Language and Culture and many more. We also collaborate with local high schools to offer camps for high school students.

## LANGUAGE COURSES

SAMK offers Preparatory Intensive English Courses. The aim of the course is to prepare students for their studies at SAMK. The main focus will be on improving the students' abilities in English so that they will be able to carry out their studies in English.

## LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION STUDIES

SAMK offers language and communication studies that provide the students with the multilingual competencies needed in today's working life. English and Finnish courses are included in the curricula of the degree programmes taught in English. In addition, the students can improve the language skills needed in their field of expertise by studying elective languages such as Chinese, French, German and Spanish.



# APPLICATION TO SAMK

SAMK.FI/APPLY

Applying to the degree programmes at Satakunta University of Applied Sciences takes place through a system of joint application and separate applications in studyinfo.fi-portal.

For more information about the requirements for application, application process and application times, visit: [www.samk.fi/apply](http://www.samk.fi/apply).

# TUITION FEES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The tuition fee is 9,500 € per academic year for non-EU/EEA students in each Bachelor's degree and Master's degree programme tuitioned in English, except the degree programmes of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Robotics which have tuition fees of 10,500 € per academic year. Students are able to apply for a scholarship that covers 50% of the tuition fee. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of the student's academic achievements.

# LIVING IN FINLAND

**On average, the living costs in Finland are similar to the rest of the Europe. Of course the monthly expenses depend on rent, lifestyle and other activities.**

In Finland it is possible to do part-time work max 25 hours per week during studies. Students can work full time during summer and Christmas holidays. The residence permit for studies enables students to work without restrictions if their work is related to their degree. This means practical training and thesis work.

## HOUSING IN PORI AND RAUMA

There are several student houses available for students of SAMK. The apartments have to be rented from the open market. Information about available housing options will be provided by the International Relations Secretary. The rent varies according to the size, location and facilities of the chosen apartment.

## SEARCHING FOR WORK AFTER GRADUATION

After the student has completed a degree in Finland:

- they may apply for a new residence permit on the basis of work immediately after they have found a job; or
- apply for a residence permit for seeking work if they are not yet employed.

## APPROXIMATE EXPENSES PER MONTH:



RENT

300-500 EUR



FOOD

200 EUR



PUBLIC TRANSPORT

50 EUR



HOBBIES & LEISURE

0-150 EUR







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