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>>> Sari Mikkola <mikkola@mappi.helsinki.fi> 12.9.2014 12:57 >>>  
Dear Partners,  
  
Greetings from the University of Helsinki and the Faculty of    
Agriculture and Forestry!  
  
My name is **Sari Mikkola** and I’m the new Erasmus Coordinator at the    
faculty after the retirement of your long-time colleague Dr. Harri    
Nyberg. I’m happy to be able to continue his work and looking forward    
  
**2015/2016**

>>> "Mikkola, Sari A" <sari.mikkola@helsinki.fi> 4.3.2015 16:59 >>>  
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Dear Erasmus+ Partners,

Greetings from the University of Helsinki and the Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry!

Our International Exchange Services has already sent application information to all Institutional coordinators in our Erasmus partner universities. I’m sending it again with some additional faculty specific information.

Your students can now submit their applications to the UH for the Autumn Semester 2015 or Academic Year 2015-16. Application deadlines are as follows:  
  
**15.04.2015**: citizens of non-EU/EEA-member states  
**15.05.2015**: citizens of EU/EEA-member states, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland  
  
We do not have a deadline for nominations, but we recommend that students are nominated at least two weeks before the application deadlines. Please send your nominations to our International Exchange Services at [erasmus@helsinki.fi](javascript:void(window.open('/horde/imp/dynamic.php?page=compose&to=erasmus%40helsinki.fi&popup=1','','width=820,height=610,status=1,scrollbars=yes,resizable=yes'))).\***Semester dates** Academic year 2015-2016

Autumn term:

Orientation course August 26 - 28, 2015

1 Period: August 31 - October 25

2 Period: October 26 - December 20

Spring term:

Orientation course January 14 - 15, 2016

3 Period: January 18 - March 13

4 Period: March 14 - May 15

Intensive period May 9 - May 31

\***Exam periods**

No fixed exam period

\***Orientation & Welcome Fair**

In the end of August and in the beginning of January

All incoming exchange students are expected to participate in the orientation

<https://university.helsinki.fi/en/studying/new-students/orientation-and-welcome-fair>

\***Course catalogue at the Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry**

Updated information is available at <http://www.helsinki.fi/af-faculty/studies/courses.html> Kindly note that most of the courses are on Master level. Therefore the student should be on advanced BSc level or on MSc level. From the academic year 2015-2016 onwards we require the incoming exchange students to have at least 80 ECTS credits on their transcript at the application stage.

\***Language requirements**  
Please note that we require a certificate of the English language skills of the student. You can find the accepted ways to prove the language skills at <https://university.helsinki.fi/en/studying/how-to-apply/exchange-studies>   
  
The reason we require a certificate is that the courses we offer in English are quite demanding. Students who do not know English well enough have had problems in following the courses. University of Helsinki does not offer English language courses for exchange students.

If you have any questions concerning studies at the faculty, please do not hesitate to contact me. Questions related to application process should be sent to [erasmus@helsinki.fi](mailto:erasmus@helsinki.fi)

Information for students is available via our <https://university.helsinki.fi/en/studying/how-to-apply/exchange-studies> website.

Best wishes from Helsinki!

Sari Mikkola (successor to Dr. Harri Nyberg)

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My name is **Sari Mikkola** and I’m the new Erasmus Coordinator at the    
faculty after the retirement of your long-time colleague Dr. Harri    
Nyberg. I’m happy to be able to continue his work and looking forward    
to getting to know you all within the framework of Erasmus exchanges.    
Unfortunately I’m not coming to EAIE this year, but maybe we’ll have    
an opportunity to meet in some other occasion.  
  
Our International Exchange Services has sent the following message and    
attachment to all our Erasmus partners. I hope you have received the    
announcement of ongoing application period and your students are    
interested in applying to our faculty.  
  
“Dear Colleagues,  
Greetings from the University of Helsinki!  
  
We now welcome exchange student applications for the Spring Semester    
2015. Attached you will find our updated Erasmus Key Data.  
  
Please send your nominations to the address erasmus@helsinki.fi.  
  
Our Application deadlines for the spring semester are  
•    September 30: citizens of non-EU/EEA-member states  
•    October 15: citizens of EU/EEA-member states, Iceland,    
Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland  
  
Information for students is available via our www.helsinki.fi/exchange    
website. Please contact us if you have any further questions.  
  
Best wishes from Helsinki!  
  
Erasmus Team  
International Exchange Services  
University of Helsinki  
Tel. +358 2941 22441”  
  
  
In addition to this email of our International Exchange Services, I    
would like to give you some faculty specific information:  
  
\*Semester dates  
Spring term 2015:  
Orientation course January 8 - 9, 2015  
3 Period: January 12 – March 8  
4 Period: March 9 – May 10  
Intensive period May 4 - May 31  
  
\*Exam periods  
No fixed exam period  
  
\*Orientation & Welcome Fair  
In the end of August and in the beginning of January  
All incoming exchange students are expected to participate in the orientation  
<http://www.helsinki.fi/newstudents/orientation-course-and-welcome-fair.html>  
  
\*Course catalogue  
Updated information is available at    
<http://www.helsinki.fi/af-faculty/studies/courses.html>  Kindly note    
that most of the courses are on Master level. Therefore the student    
should be on advanced level of their studies. From the academic year    
2015-2016 onwards we require the incoming exchange students to have at    
least 80 ECTS credits on their transcript at the application stage.  
  
\*Language requirements  
Please note that we require a certificate of the English language    
skills of the student. You can find the accepted ways to prove the    
language skills at <http://www.helsinki.fi/exchange/admission.html>  
  
The reason we require a certificate is that the courses we offer in    
English are quite demanding. Students who do not know English well    
enough have had problems in following the courses. University of    
Helsinki does not offer English language courses for exchange students.  
  
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.  
  
Warm Regards,  
  
Sari Mikkola  
  
  
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>>> Erasmus <erasmus@helsinki.fi> 3.3.2014 10:06 >>>

Dear Colleagues,   
Greetings from the University of Helsinki!   
  
We now welcome exchange student applications for **the Autumn Semester 2014 / Academic Year 2014-2015.** Attached you will find our updated Erasmus Key Data.  
  
Please send your **nominations** to the address [erasmus@helsinki.fi](mailto:erasmus@helsinki.fi).

Our Application deadlines are

* For academic year or autumn semester  
  **April 15:** citizens of non-EU/EEA-member states   
  **May 15:** citizens of EU/EEA-member states, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland
* For spring semester  
  **September 30:** citizens of non-EU/EEA-member states  
  **October 15:** citizens of EU/EEA-member states, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland

Information for students is available via our recently updated [www.helsinki.fi/exchange](http://www.helsinki.fi/exchange) website. Please contact us if you have any further questions.   
  
Best wishes from a still very wintery Helsinki!   
  
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>>> Harri Nyberg <harri.nyberg@helsinki.fi> 3/18/2013 1:12 odp. >>>

Dear friends,  
  
please note that our **Erasmus application is now open until 15.05.2013**. I   
know that the mailing list is now incomplete and there are some   
coordinators included, with whom we do not have a student exchange   
agreement now, but perhaps for 2014-15. For those universities, the only   
way to come to Helsinki is the 'visiting student' system. All this is   
the result of the fact that at Helsinki, the deadline for student   
exchange agreements was 15.01.2013 and now we can only do agreements in   
teacher / other staff exchange.  
  
The **'Mobility Online' system** is now open and students can apply through   
it, and I hope we will get a lot of exchange/Erasmus students to   
Helsinki. The web page of Helsinki for this is  
htpp://www.helsinki.fi/Exchange   
  
**Our course lists** (hppt://www.helsinki.fi/weboodi) gives the courses for   
2012-2013, but our departments have given me lists of Erasmus/exchange   
student courses, which are given in English and available for   
exchange/Erasmus students. Because they are not given in the Weboodi   
system, I attach them here so it will be easier for your students to   
make a good learning agreement.  Anyway, most students have to change   
their learning agreements and it is my job to take care of this.  
  
If your students wish to take courses from other faculties, they can   
take them from the Faculty of Biosciences and Environmental Sciences,   
Faculty of Law, Faculty of Social Sciences and the Faculty of Science.   
However, we cannot guarantee those courses as this depends on the   
faculties I mentioned. For the most part, however, this has been   
successful as I know personally most of the teachers.  
  
I attach here the course lists which should be used instead of the   
Weboodi, as these can be mostly guaranteed. BBE courses are very popular   
and I include also their lists, but as they are given by the Faculty of   
Biosciences and Environmental Sciences, we cannot guarantee them. BBE   
courses are given only in Autumn.  
  
Please note that the English level of incoming students must be CEFR B2,   
otherwise they will be rejected according to the decision of the faculty.  
  
Best regards, Harri  
  
Best regards and good luck to your students!

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>>> Harri Nyberg <harri.nyberg@helsinki.fi> 1.4.2012 12:20 >>>  
Dear all,  
  
please distribute this information with the attachments to your students   
who would like to come to the University of Helsinki, Faculty of   
Agriculture and Forestry, for an Erasmus period 2012-13.  
  
Please note that the **absolute deadline for the Mobility Online   
application is 15.05.2012**. Also the paper version of the application   
should be sent to us by that date.  
  
Some of our partners have complained that our deadline is so early that   
they have not yet selected the students who are allowed to apply for an   
Erasmus period by 15.05.2012. Perhaps the best way of avoiding this   
problem is to let also those 'potential' students fill the online   
application (Mobility Online) in time, and then inform us about those   
who were not selected for applying. Without the online application made   
in time it is impossible to come here with Erasmus status.  
  
  
**Exchange students**  
The Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry welcomes almost hundred exchange   
students each year. Most of the exchange students are Erasmus students   
from other European universities. Furthermore, students from all around   
the world arrive through various bilateral exchange programmes.  
  
**Who is an exchange student?**  
    \* You can be considered as an exchange student if there is a valid  
      student exchange programme between your home university and the  
      University of Helsinki.  
    \* The home university selects the candidates for student exchange.  
    \* The student exchange is based an agreement done between your home  
      university and the University of Helsinki.  
  
If you are interested in joining our department temporarily as an   
exchange student, you should take the following steps:  
  
    \* Contact the student exchange coordinator of your own university or  
      institution and ask for the procedures at home.  
    \* Go to the University of Helsinki student exchange pages  
      <<http://www.helsinki.fi/exchange/>> and get the application form.  
       From the same pages you can find more general information.  
    \* Submit the application. The student exchange coordinators will  
      contact you and our Faculty office on the details and whether your  
      visit can be arranged or not.  
  
More information on applying as an exchange student (Erasmus, Nordplus   
or through other programmes which are based on bilateral agreements   
between universities) to the University of Helsinki from the Exchange   
Programmes web site. <<http://www.helsinki.fi/exchange/>>  
  
<http://www.helsinki.fi/exchange/howtoapply/index.html>  
  
  
**Housing for Exchange Students**  
Housing situation in Helsinki is difficult at the moment. Please make   
the housing arrangements as soon as possible.  
  
The International Exchange Services can't guarantee housing for every   
exchange student, therefore it is important that the exchange student   
reserve housing as soon as possible. Please note that Helsinki is an   
expensive city, and the rents are quite high. Coordinators do not take   
care of housing matters, nor are they in a position to do so.  
  
The International Exchange Services has agreed with HOAS (Foundation for   
Student Housing in Helsinki Region) on a fixed number of International   
rooms for exchange students (http://www.hoas.fi). It is recommended taht   
the housing application to the HOAS is made as early as possible,   
because of the 'first come, first serve' system.  
  
The Student Union Housing Service will be transferred from HYY's   
Services Office to Lyyra Office. This service provides housing options   
on private market (flats or rooms).  
  
There are also some other housing options, you will find their contact   
information on this web page.  
  
Housing Period <#HousingPeriod>  
  
Housing Options and Housing Providers <#HousingOptionsandHousingProviders>  
  
    \* HOAS (Foundation for Student Housing in Helsinki Region) <#HOAS>.  
          o HOAS: Application form <#HOASApplication>, Housing Offer,  
            Accepting the Offer, Housing Deposit, Rents, Location of the  
            Apartments <#LocationoftheHOASApartments>  
          o N.B. Apply as soon as possible, the housing application  
            deadline is May 15 and Ocotber 15..  
    \* Lyyra Housing Service <#LyyraHOusingService>  
    \* Other Housing Options <#OtherOptions>  
    \* Contact Information <#ContactInformation>(HOAS)  
  
  
        Housing Period  
  
  
        IMPORTANT: Housing is for Fixed-Period  
  
    \* The housing will be reserved for a fixed-period.  
    \* The fixed period housing agreements can’t be changed.  
    \* The shortest period for housing agreement is one full month.  
  
  
  
**Learning agreement:**  
Please use the updated available course lists of the Faculty of   
Agriculture and Forestry (given in English, attached in this message)   
for preparing the LA. The online course lists for the University of   
Helsinki (http://www.helsinki.fi/weboodi) are not updated yet, and it is   
possible that some information is still missing by the application   
deadline 15.05.2012.  
  
Those who wish to take courses from other faculties, please note that we   
cannot guarantee admittance to these courses, but of course we will do   
our best to help the students in that. The Faculty of Biosciences and   
Environmental Sciences is located in the Viikki Campus very close to us,   
and we have collaboration with it in several fields, so that is perhaps   
the easiest. The Faculty of Social Sciences is often reluctant to take   
exchange students from other faculties, but mostly we have been   
successful in negotiations about access. The Faculty of Law requires a   
form to be sent to the faculty coordinator, which must contain the   
student's need and motivation for law courses, and confirmation of the   
host coordinator.  
  
Please note that the language departments of the Faculty of Arts do not   
allow exchange students from other faculties, with the exception of the   
'Finnish for Foreign Students' courses. Some language courses arranged   
by the Language Centre are open for exchange students, especially I can   
recommend the s.c. ALICE courses where the exchange student works   
together with a Finnish student partner. ALICE courses can be taken in   
Swedish, French, Spanish, German, Italian and Russian.  
  
Almost all exchange students have to change their learning agreement   
after arrival. It is better to wait first and see which courses the   
student really can take, than to make hasty decisions.  
  
To register for courses, the student must have the ID and password of   
the University of Helsinki. For security reasons, these can be obtained   
first after arrival. However, the Weboodi   
(http://www.helsinki.fi/weboodi) where the courses are normally selected   
and students register themselves, can be browsed without logging in.  
  
Some courses (especially laboratory courses and seminars) have a maximum   
limit for accepted students. So, it is best to register as soon as   
possible after arrival and access to our computer system.  
  
Please note that courses given in English are to a large part Master   
level courses, so a good background in the field of the course is often   
necessary, but it is not usually necessary to be a BSc or equivalent.   
Sometimes the teacher/professor requires a copy of the transcript of   
records (relevés de notes) from the student to be able to decide if the   
student is accepted.  
  
Please do not hesitate to contact me or erasmus@helsinki.fi in the event   
of any queries or problems.  
  
Best regards,  
  
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