

GUILD GUIDE

2022



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who was involved in providing the content for the guide!

Hellurei!

Welcome to Aalto University and
congratulations on getting accepted!
You are now reading the Guild Guide of
2022.

This guide is written by the Master's
Captains of the Aalto University School
of Engineering (ENG). The purpose of
this guide is to familiarize you about our
guilds, the student union, different clubs
and associations in our community, ba-
sic things about student life and teekkari
culture and Otaniemi area.

We are very excited about the
autumn and hoping to see you
soon!

ENG International Team:
Emma, Lotta and Elli



Aalto University - where science and art meet technology and business

Aalto University was established in 2010 as three leading Finnish universities, the Helsinki School of Economics, Helsinki University of Technology and the University of Art and Design Helsinki, were merged.

Today, Aalto University consists of six schools with around 12 000 students, and 4 000 members of faculty and staff, of which nearly 400 are professors. University's campus is in Otaniemi, home of the lively community that supports learning, innovation and fun. (aalto.fi)

School of Engineering

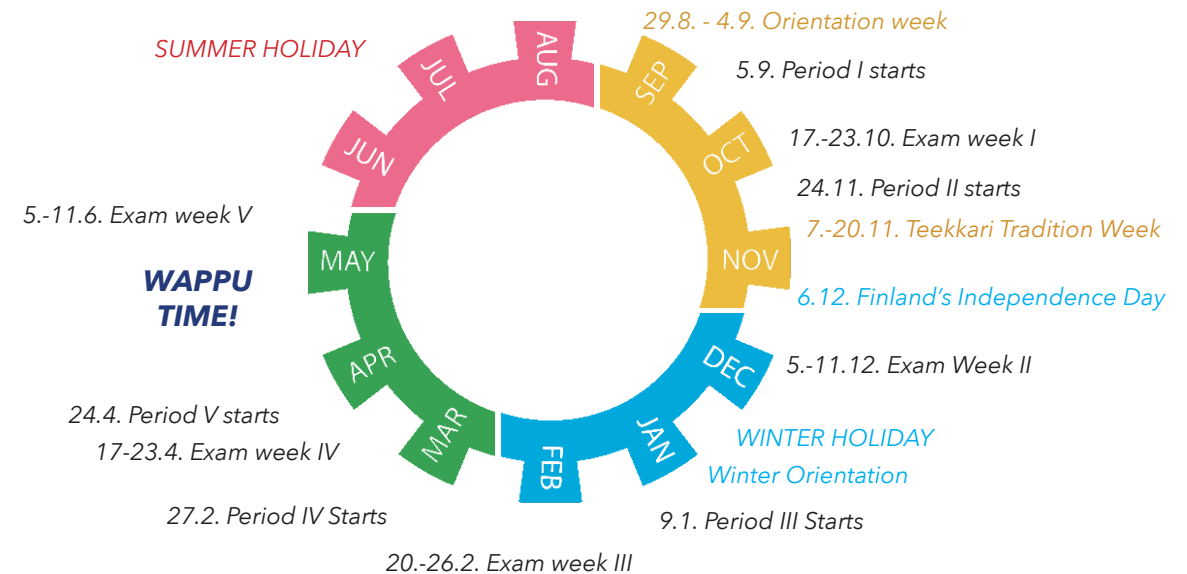
The School of Engineering (ENG) is one of the six schools in Aalto University. It offers studies in mechanical and structural engineering, energy and environmental engineering and the built environment.

The School of Engineering has gained excellent results in research on the fields of arctic technology, sustainable built environments, mechanics and materials, multidisciplinary energy technologies and systems design and production. The Dean of the school is Gary Marquis.

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The teekkari student year starts with the orientation week carnivals in the late August, following with multiple student events week after week. The autumn period goes really fast. For christmas holidays most of the students spread around Finland to see their family members, coming back on the beginning of January for another study term.

The cold and dark Finnish winter time with schedule full of courses might feel silent and melancholic, but it soon starts to get more lively with the emerging spring time. All sorts of student events start to cumulate again leading to the crazy Wappu celebration time that last the whole April and finally culminates to Wappu Day on the First of May - the biggest celebration in the year for any student!

Student Year

Guilds of ENG

What is a guild?

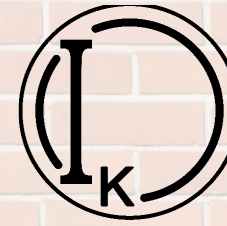
'Guild' is a general name for a subject association. A guild's main purpose is to bring together students studying in the same field. Many guilds have a long history. In total, there are 16 guilds in Otaniemi, all working under Aalto University Student Union (AYY). Guilds are a very important aspect of teekkari culture and are in charge of tutoring new students, fuksis. In general, a guild is a link between their respective degree program and the students.

What do guilds offer?

Guilds organize parties, sauna afternoons, sitsis, company excursions and other fun events! Members of a guild can have the overalls of their own guild and wear them in student events. All the services and events provided by guilds can be found from their websites. Remember to visit the guild rooms in Otakaari 4!

Which Guild should I join?

See the guilds of ENG on the next page. Don't be confused by the names of the guilds. In 2013 and 2022 there was a reform of the guilds, when the majors studied in the guilds changed a bit. The guild names remained the same as always, and that's why the name of the guild is not always the same as the subject students are mainly studying.



IK: The Guild of Civil Engineers (Rakennusinsinööri-ilta) was established in 1913 with the name Insinööriklubi, hence the abbreviation, IK. Members of the guild can be recognized from their dark blue overalls with an environment green sleeve and a back pocket.

AAE
GEO
GIS
WAT
EIT EMMEP
NMEE
NMISEE

Advanced Energy Solutions
Geoengineering
Geoinformatics
Water and Environmental Engineering
Nordic Master in Environmental Engineering
Nordic Master in Innovative Sustainable Energy Engineering



KIK: The Guild of Mechanical Engineers (Koneinsinööri-ilta) was founded in 1915, and even with 107 years of history, it is the youngest guild in the School of Engineering. However, it is one of the biggest guild's with over 1000 members. Members of KIK are known for their light pink overalls.

CIV
MEC
NMME
NMCCE
EIT Manufacturing

Building Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Nordic Master in Maritime Engineering
Nordic Master in Cold Climate Engineering



MK: The Guild of Surveying Engineers (Maanmittarikilta), founded in 1901, is the second oldest guild in Finland and one of the smallest ones in Otaniemi. You can recognize a surveyor from their matte black overalls with a fuchsia coloured sleeve.

REC
SPT
USP
EIT Urban Mobility

Real Estate Economics
Spatial Planning and Transportation Engineering
Urban studies and Planning in Real Estate Economics

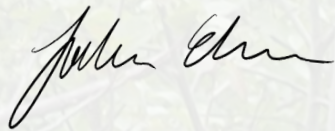
IK – The Guild of Civil Engineers

Moro! My name is Lotta, and I am the Master's captain of the Guild of Civil Engineering, more commonly known as IK or Raksa. I can sometimes also be recognized as the master of foreign affairs or chair of the external relations committee, but those words sound too fancy to me. I am going into my third year in Aalto and will be acting as your "very experienced" tour guide.

My main responsibility as the master's captain is to take care of you fuksis and guide you into the world of Aalto, Otaniemi and teekkari. I, together with the international tutor responsible Sofia and your tutors will be organizing events and other activities for you guys for the time you're here, whether it is a whole academic year or just some part of it. A big part of the events is also organized together with Elli and Emma, the Master's captains of KIK and MK but if your line of study falls under IK, I will be the main person to introduce you into the student life and our guild with the dark blue overalls!

You must be filled with questions about going into a new university and possibly a new country, and my main three tips for you are: Download telegram, ask your tutor, and go into everything with an open mind!

Can't wait to meet you!



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Greetings!

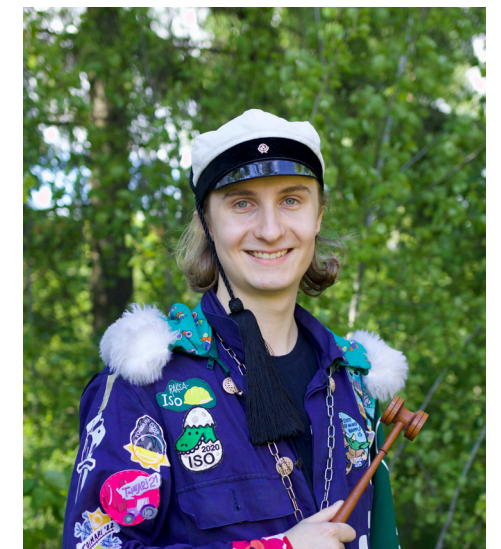
Congratulations on starting your studies and welcome aboard! You are part of the Guild of Civil Engineers, also known as Raksa and IK (initials of the Guild's old Finnish name) as a student of one of our majors. Our 109-year-old Guild congregates students from Aalto University's master students of Energy, Geo-, Water and Environmental Engineering and Geoinformatics. Additionally, the Guild is also for students from the Computational and Building Engineering bachelor programmes who have started their studies in 2022 as well as Energy and Environmental Engineering bachelor students who have started their studies in 2021 or earlier. Although there are many different fields of study under our Guild, we have an excellent community spirit, namely the builder spirit!

In main responsibility of the Guild's operation is the Board, consisting of twelve people. Together with active Guild members, we as the Board take care that your integration into the Guild community goes swimmingly. Our mission is to act as your support in all situations, organize fun and intriguing events, as well as taking care that your best interests are considered. Feel free to ask us anything that's on your mind! We'll try our best to answer and if we don't know, we'll find an answer. Also feel free to come talk to us, I promise we don't bite (hopefully)!

I sincerely recommend participating in the Guild's activities. Let's make this year our lives' best one! See you on the orientation week at the latest!

On behalf of the Board of the Guild of Civil Engineers,

Ilmari Oinonen
Chairperson 2022
The Guild of Civil Engineers



MK – The Guild of Surveying Engineers

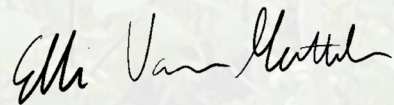
Hey there and welcome to Aalto University!

I'm Elli, the Master's Captain for the Guild of Surveying Engineers also known as Maanmittarikilta (shortly MK). If you're starting in the programme of Real Estate Economics or Spatial Planning and Transportation or maybe in the collaborative programmes (USP or Urban Mobility), I will be your guide to Finland, teekkari culture in Otaniemi and our lovely guild!

I'm 24 years old, starting my fourth year of studies in Aalto. Outside school and the guild activities I'm a sailor and love spending time outdoors. At the campus I will most likely be consuming coffee at our guild room, hope to see you there as well!

In our guild I'm a member of the board with 12 other lovely members, who you will probably meet in different events coming up throughout the year. In addition to the board we have over 100 officials in the guild, which include the international tutors you will be seeing a lot during the coming fall.

I am really excited to get to know you during the coming fall. The tutors will be in contact soon, but do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions in mind!



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Hey Mittarifuksit 2022!

Huge congratulations on starting your studies! You will be part of an amazing group of students in the Guild of Surveying Engineers. Our guild's name in Finnish is Maanmittarikilta and new students of the guild are called "mittarifuksit", so you will be one of our new mittarifuksit this fall. In addition to the Master's programs, our guild also has bachelor students from the new bachelor programmes of Real Estate Economics and Geoinformation, and Sustainable Communities, and students from the old bachelor programme of Built Environment.

Our guild's main goal is to bring our guild's students together. This is done by organizing different kinds of events such as business excursions, journeys in Finland and abroad, sitsit (an academic table party), sport and culture events and much more! Maanmittarikilta also has its own magazine Geometres which is published 4 times a year. The guild also has a guild room called Monttu. Monttu is a hanging place for our students and people can for example study and play different kinds of games together there.

The guild's operations are run by the guild's 13-member board and a large number of guild's officials. Our board wants to warmly welcome you to "the familiest of the guilds", Maanmittarikilta. Hope you will love your time

in our association! See you on fall, we are excited to meet you! <3

On the behalf of the board of Maanmittarikilta

Jesper Winogradow
Chair 2022

The Guild of Surveying engineers



KIK - The Guild of Mechanical Engineers

Hello and welcome to the Aalto University!

My name is Emma and I am 4th year Building Technology student. I will be this year's Master's Captain of the guild of Mechanical Engineers (Koneinsinöörikilta in Finnish, shortly KIK). KIK will be your guild if you are studying Building Technology, Mechanical Engineering, EIT Manufacturing or Nordic Master in Cold Climate Engineering or Maritime Engineering. Together with the tutors I will be your guide to student culture in Otaniemi and your first link to Aalto community!

This autumn around 200 new bachelor students and 150 new master and exchange students from all around the world will start their studies together in our guild. Orientation week is full of events every day and I recommend everyone to join it and enjoy it as much as possible! Otaniemi is a unique place and Aalto community is full of different clubs, associations and possibilities to find new friends and hobbies. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Your tutors will contact you later about the orientation week and you will also get an academic advisor from the school later in the autumn.

Can't wait to meet you!



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Howdy!

KIK or the Guild of Mechanical Engineers (Koneinsinöörikilta in Finnish) is a guild for students who are studying in the master's program in mechanical engineering or in building technology. We have little changes going on in the bachelor's programs so from this autumn onwards our bachelor's degree students are studying mechanical engineering or energy technology. If you are studying in any of these programs, then you have made an excellent choice and are warmly welcomed to join KIK!

A guild is a student organization for those studying technology. Guilds represent the students and make sure that students' opinions are heard in study related decision making at university level. Guilds also organize visits (excursions) to different companies in the field, and make sure that students have fun activities during free time! KIK organizes a great variety of events so there is certainly something for everybody. We have a very active sport division which plays futsal, volleyball, floorball etc. and occasionally tries out other sports. We also have academic dinner parties (sitsit), sauna evenings, and other parties! If partying is not for you, our culture division visits theaters and museums, has organized a watercolor painting event, knitting evening, mushroom picking etc. And if there is something that you hope that the guild would organize, you can always contact the board and tell them your wishes!

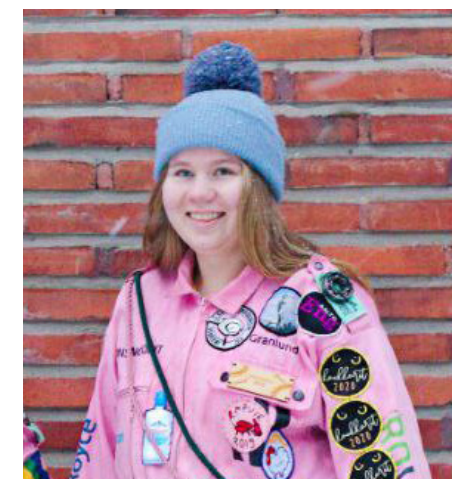
The guild is run entirely by volunteers. For the year 2022 our board consists of 13 members

who all have their own areas of responsibility. In addition to board members, the guild also has almost 50 officials who help to organize all guild activities. A new board and officials are chosen for every calendar year, so if you are interested in participating, stay tuned during the autumn!

I want to encourage you all to take actively part in our guild's activities and also other fun stuff Otaniemi and Aalto community has to offer! At least for me, the years spent in university have been some of the best years in my life and that is greatly thanks to KIK. Whether you are here for a full master's degree or only for an exchange year, I hope that you enjoy your time at Aalto and make it memorable.

See you during the orientation week!

Janika Metsola
Chair of the board 2022
The Guild of Mechanical Engineers



What is a teekkari?

Officially the word teekkari means a university student of technology in the Finnish language but in reality it is much more than just that. You can recognize a teekkari from wearing the teekkari cap and student overalls (seen in several pictures).

Throughout their history, teekkaris have always made things their own way with a twinkle in their eyes. The teekkari culture of Otaniemi dates all the way back to 1872, when the school was still situated in Helsinki (thus, the old name of the school was Helsinki University of Technology), and is a point of pride for all teekkaris alike. Teekkaris also built the first apartments in Otaniemi before the school came here, so we all consider Otaniemi our home.

People know teekkaris from their tricks and from their cap. In teekkari culture we do have many interesting things that can't be seen if you are not a teekkari. Our traditional and redeveloping culture will surely have a place in your heart. Even the oldest students can be surprised with our new things. It can be weird and confusing in the beginning, but it is sure that we will make memories that will last forever. Being a part of the teekkari culture in Finland holds a lot of emotion and pride formed over time, which is why we take such good care of our freshmen, to ensure they get the chance to become fully a part of the teekkari culture.



Teekkari Cap

An important part of being a teekkari is the cap. The cap in its current form has been in use since 1893 and is trademark protected so that only those who earn it may wear it. The cap is earned in your first year by completing a point card (which you will get from your International officer in the fall) and you receive it on First of May (Wappu) which is the biggest celebration for students all over Finland.

You collect points from nearly every event and other activities, so it is not necessary to do all the things that come up. It is not mandatory to complete the point card if you are not interested, you can still do all the things available for students in Otaniemi as teekkari culture is all about having fun and doing things that you want to do.

Overalls

Overalls together with the teekkari cap are a signature combination by which you can recognize a teekkari. People wear their overalls with great pride. Everyone has the freedom to modify their overalls in any way they wish, and you can see some very unique things among the students. The most common things you see are sewn patches and all kinds of items hanging on the side. Some people change sleeves with friends, or couples change hems with each other. Overalls came to Finland in the early 1980s from Sweden. The first overalls were used by teekkaris. The tradition has stayed alive ever since, and now nearly every field of study in universities and universities of applied sciences have their own version of overalls.

Sitsi parties

Sitsit is an academic table party, where you get to enjoy good food, drinks and singing. Singing skills or lack thereof is not an issue, it is said that a teekkari sings rather than well! Dresscode for sitsis varies from dark suit and cocktail dress to overalls or a theme costume depending on the sitsit! Leading the sitsit are toastmasters, who usually tell a story or a joke to introduce the next song. Sitsi partys are very common in teekkari culture and surely you will get a chance to try them out here in Otaniemi.



Student experience

Before coming to Finland I already found out about some things of the student culture, like the overall, but at the campus tour during orientation week alone, I was told about so many new student customs and festivities that I couldn't wait to take part in them myself. Going to a Sitsit, renting a cottage with a palju, going to sauna and afterwards into the ice-cold sea or going on the Maik Cruise to Stockholm just to name a few. But nevertheless, there are many things to do, you don't want to miss out on.

Since everything is on the campus, it was totally normal to go to the university in the morning and attend a lecture, then eat lunch at one of the many student canteens, and go to another lecture or do some homework in the student hub before attending an student event at the end of the day, which is probably happening at Smökki. And sometimes this is what your routine looks like a couple of days in a row. The possibility to have a student event almost everyday amazed me. And also, that basically every event had a sauna and karaoke involved. I have already played with the idea of getting

my own a sauna as soon as I get back home.

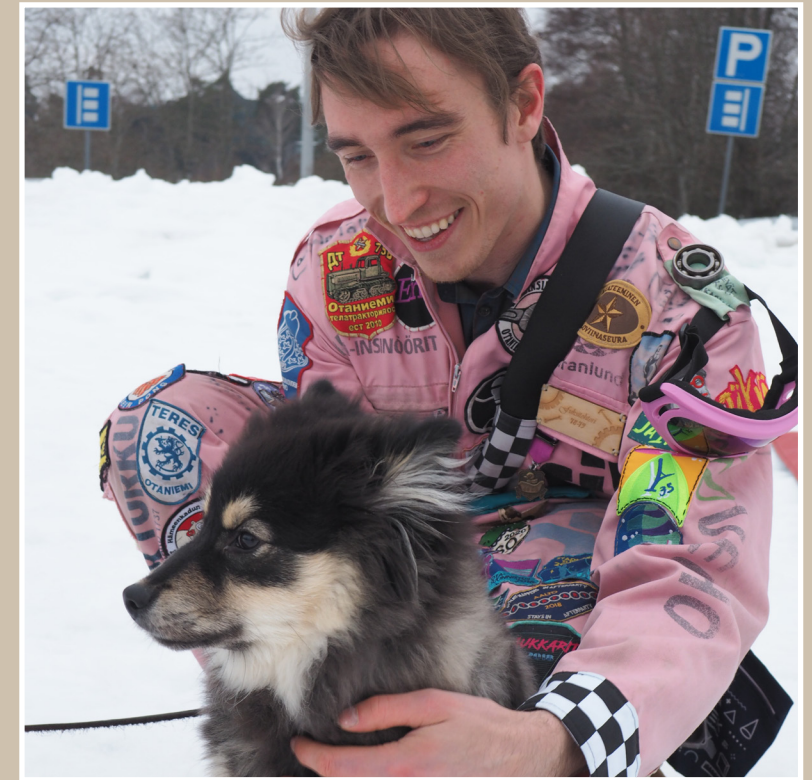
One thing that connected me the most to the finnish student culture, was the participation in the fuksipeijaiset team for the guild. I can't tell too much about it, since it is a secret and nobody will tell you what you do there, but to quote my exchange master captain, when I asked him what he did back then " I don't know anymore " with a big smile on his face. What I can say is that it is the perfect preparation to attain the Wappu spirit and turning step by step from a fuksi into a teekkari, that is then allowed to wear the teekkari cap at Vappu (of course in combination with the tasks on the point card).

So for those who read this, you have already made the right choice and enrolled to the Aalto University. I made a lot of friends and memories on the way, that I will never forget. And if I do so, I just look at the overall with all the patches, that remind me of them.

- Martin



Tutor's greetings



Terve!

I'm Aku, a 5th-year student of mechanical engineering and one of your international tutors. I have always liked befriending new people, especially those I have the least in common with. And so, after four years as a bachelors tutor, it is time to turn to international students. Hopefully you'll enjoy your time here!

Remember that university isn't a self-effort, a competition or a sprint. Leave time for socializing, sports and activities and you'll also learn better. You'll also make valuable contacts for your future career.

Most of all I want to make sure you integrate into our associations rather than form separate cliques. So, come have coffee at the guild room, ditch the formalities with professors, ask a stranger for help with an assignment, or butcher a finnish song in sauna.

Welcome to Aalto, I hope to make great memories together!

Aku Mustalahti
International/master ISO 2022

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GOOD SPIRIT IN THE MIDST OF BAD NEWS



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RIVERS - TECH STUDENTS DELIGHT
WITH A FUNNY COSTUME



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AWARDED ONCE AGAIN AT THE FESTIVE
OTANIEMI JÄYNÄ FINALS

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tekkarit Lappeenranta.

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Four letters you can count on.



Greetings from Teknologföreningen!

Teknologföreningen (or TF) is the Swedish speaking students' union at Aalto University founded in 1872. TF organizes great parties, provides access to its clubhouse as well as to unique student experiences and opportunities for its members. Teknologföreningen has over 800 members from different branches of Aalto and involves over 100 students in its everyday functions - all on a voluntary basis. Any student at Aalto University with an interest in the Swedish language can become a member of Teknologföreningen. The membership is completely free and comes with many privileges. TF enriches its members' lives with everything a diverse students' union can offer. TF's activities and services include organizing events ranging from culture and sport to dinners and

parties, but we also offer opportunities to practice and develop skills in enterprising and creativity. And I, the Integratör (International officer of TF), am here to help you and to make sure that everybody feels welcome at TF.

Questions? Ask us anything!

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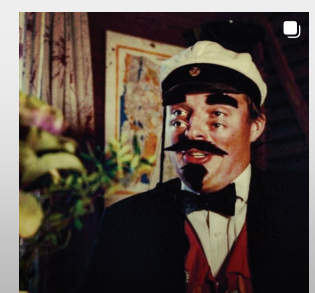
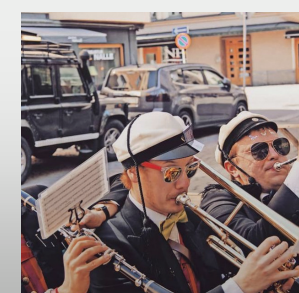
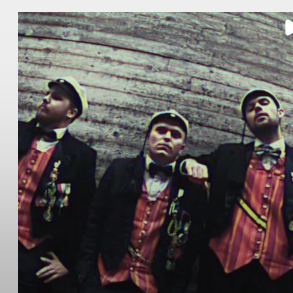
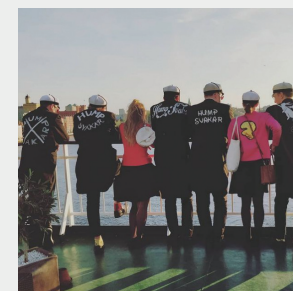
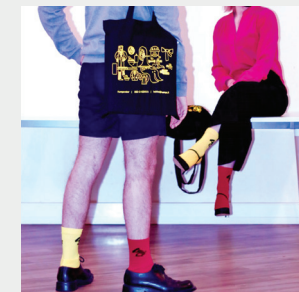
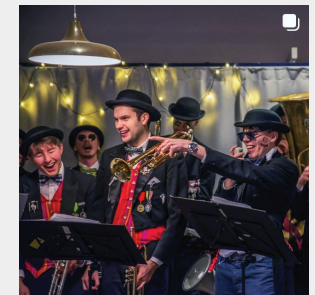
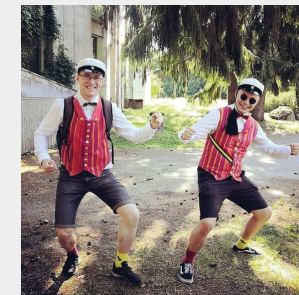


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Aalto University Student Union

Greetings from Aalto University Student Union!

Welcome to Aalto University and its student union, AYY! Here at the Student Union we aim to ensure that you can truly experience the best student's life in the world here at Aalto. Our wish is that every student feels good and safe in our student community, and that every one of us receives all the help and support they need for the entire duration of their studies.

You are stepping into a world of endless opportunities. We urge you to be curious, try new things, to learn and most of all to enjoy your time at Aalto. Don't be afraid even though finding your own passion and place in the world might seem like a big task and never fear mistakes. We are here to support you with all of your problems.

See you around!

Erik Halttunen

Board Member (New Students,
Associations, Council and
Facilities)



What is AYY?

As a student of Aalto, Aalto University Student Union, AYY, is your student union. AYY brings together about 15,000 students of arts, design, business and technology. We work to ensure the well-being of all our members and we want to develop teaching at Aalto and the best student life in the world.

As a member of AYY, you are entitled to numerous student union services and student benefits both locally and throughout Finland. AYY offers several services for its members, such as affordable student housing, rental facilities, and advocacy. As a student of Aalto, you can also participate in activities and events organised by AYY and over 200 associations within the Student Union.

AYY in Figures

- More than 15,000 members
- Approximately 200 organisations and associations
- Approximately 2,600 student apartments
- Nearly 50 employees
- 10 full-time board members
- Approximately 400 volunteers

Communication Channels

You can find comprehensive information about all AYY's services and opportunities at [ayy.fi](https://www.ayy.fi). We compile all current information concerning students in the weekly newsletter published by email on Mondays.

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-  Aalto University Student Union AYY
-  AYY Info
Ayy Events

Dear first year student, Greetings from Aalto University Student Union!

Welcome to Aalto University and our student union, which can be identified by the letters AYY. As a student union, we strive to guarantee the best student life in the world. As an important part of this, we want everyone to feel safe and live the way they want to. One day you will leave Aalto, but the community will stay with you forever.

Joining the Aalto community is a leap into the world of opportunities, so we encourage you to be curious and seize new opportunities, as you may be surprised at what you are capable of. I really hope you find your place in the community soon!

Best wishes

Tomas Kurenniemi

Member of the Board
(Real Estate, Finances, Digitalisation
and Student Centre)
Board Angel of KIK



Services

Student housing

AYY owns approximately 2,600 affordable student apartments in Helsinki and Espoo and offers a home for over 3,200 residents. All degree and exchange students who are members of AYY have the right to apply for AYY's housing. You can apply for housing as soon as your admission is confirmed by the university.

First-year students and students moving from outside the Helsinki metropolitan area are given priority in the allocation of housing. First-year students receive an additional score when they apply for AYY's shared apartment queues. To receive the score, students must apply for housing no later than in July or December, depending on when their studies begin.

You can browse and search for AYY's housing through the Domo system: domo.ayy.fi. As a student, you can also apply for housing from the the Foundation for Student Housing in the Helsinki Region (HOAS).

Advocacy and interest representation

You can take advantage of AYY's advocacy services if your exam results are late or you may get in touch with a harassment contact person if you encounter harassment. As a member of AYY, you can apply for administration as a stu-

dent representative and influence the decisions made at the university.

AYY's highest decision-making body is the Representative Council, which is elected by vote. In the elections, all AYY members can vote and run as candidates. Members of the Representative Council decide on the goals and policies of the Student Union. The next Representative Council elections will be held in the autumn.

Student culture

Volunteering, association activities and diverse events are an essential part of Aalto student culture and the Aalto community. The highlights of the year include Wappu events, anniversaries, Shrovetide celebrations and many other events starting right from the orientation week.

In addition to the Student Union, events are organised by volunteers who work in sections and committees. AYY has five sections: Aava Community Section, Campus Section, Teekkari Section, Museum Section and Advocacy Management Group (more commonly known as EduJory). The call for volunteers will open in late autumn. Information on the call will be published in AYY's communication channels.

In addition, AYY has more than 200 associations that organise activities in the fields of sports, music, games, and other hobbies. New students are always welcome to join association activities, and AYY offers help, support, and advice for the establishment of associations and their activities. Keep an open mind for

different opportunities and get to know the associations in upcoming events!

After a renovation and a brand reform AYY's renewed museum welcomes everyone to get to know the history of student cultures.

Rental facilities

In addition to housing, AYY has numerous saunas, event venues and recreational facilities that members can rent. Some facilities are free of charge. AYY also rents a van and a trailer.

Scholarships and project grants

You can apply for a project grant from AYY or the TTE-Fund for a project organised by a group of friends or an association. You can also apply for scholarships awarded by AYY.

Student benefits

You will receive a digital or plastic student card to prove your student status (card delivered by Frank). By showing your student status, you are entitled to hundreds of benefits from 1 Aug onwards, including Kela, Matkahuolto and VR, as well as to student lunch discount in student restaurants. You are also entitled to student discount in public transport in the metropolitan area if you live in the HSL area and have updated your student status in your travel

card at the HSL service point. You can find the list of all benefits and discounts available with the student card on Frank's website at frank.fi.

The digital student card Frank App is an official student ID, which you can download and activate starting on 1 Aug once you have enrolled for attendance at the university and paid AYY's membership fee. You can check the prices of other card options on Frank's website. You can also add an ISIC license to both digital and plastic student cards. More information on different student cards can be found on Frank's website at frank.fi.

Once you have received the plastic student card, please remember to pick up the academic year tag for your card from AYY's service point! At the same time, you can also pick up a free Design Notebook and get advice.



Teekkari Guilds and Associations of Otaniemi

Overalls



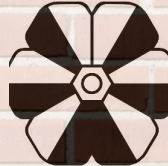
TF
Teknologföreningen
Association for swedish-speaking
students



FK
Fysikkokilta
Guild of Physics
Aalto SCI



KK
Kemistokilta
Chemistry Guild
Aalto CHEM



VK
Vuorimieskilta
Guild of Materials and Metallurgy
Aalto CHEM



MK
Maanmittarikilta
Guild of Surveying Engineers
Aalto ENG



Prodeko
Guild of Industrial Engineering and
management
Aalto SCI



AK
Arkkitehtikilta
Guild of Architecture
Aalto ARTS



TiK
Tietokilta
Guild of Knowledge
Aalto SCI



IK
Rakennusinsinöörilikta
Guild of Civil Engineers
Aalto ENG



AS
Automaatio- ja systeemiteknikan
kilta
Guild of Automation and Systems
technology
Aalto ELEC



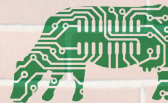
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Guild of Mechanical Engineers
Aalto ENG



Athene
Guild of Information Networks
Aalto SCI



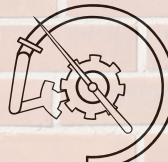
SIK
Sähköinsinöörilikta
Guild of Electrical Engineering
Aalto ELEC



Inkubio
Guild of Bioinformation Technol-
ogy
Aalto ELEC



PJK
Puunjalostajakilta
Forest Products Guild
Aalto CHEM



PT
Prosessiteekkarit
Association of Process Engineering
students
Aalto CHEM



International committee

The International Committee or KvTMK (kansainvälisyystoimikunta) consists of the people in charge of international students and matters in different guilds and associations (also us!) and is led by the International Director. KvTMK is involved in the fuksi and tutoring activities regarding the international fuksis (new Master students and exchange students). The events organized by KvTMK are for all Aalto students, yet prioritizing the internationals as the main language in KvTMK's events is always English. Furthermore, KvTMK also promotes internationalism and the role of foreign students at Aalto and the Teekkari guilds and associations.

KvTMK works under Teekkari Section (Teekkarijaosto in Finnish), or TJ when shortened. TJ's main job is to uphold various Teekkari traditions and organise many different kinds of activities that are meant to strengthen and enrich the Teekkari spirit. Although its main objective is to focus on Teekkari life, the activities are open for all Aalto students.

Additionally as the representative of the oldest and original technical university students in Finland, TJ's opinions have a big impact on the future of Teekkari traditions.





International director's Greetings

Greetings, new fuksi!

Congratulations on your admission to Aalto University, you have made a great choice applying! I want to warmly welcome you to our Aalto community and the unique Teekkari (technology student) community!

My name is Oliver Hiekkamies, and I am the International Director of the Aalto University Student Union. I'm the chairperson of the International Committee (or KvTMK for short), which consists of the International Captains, International Officers, or Master Captains (a dear child has many names) of the Teekkari associations and guilds. My task, together with the mentioned international responsables of the Teekkari associations and your ISOs (tutors) is to make your first year or semester here in Aalto unforgettable.

The Teekkari culture is a very unique student culture and something that you can experience only in Finland. The community, the International Committee and your own International Captains, International Officers, and Master Captains will provide you with events in which you can explore the Teekkari culture, get to know Finland and Otaniemi and meet your fellow students. The activities provided are a great chance to uplift your time in Aalto and to make your time here one of the best times of your life.

The Teekkari culture has a long history and Teekkaris have had a presence throughout Finland over many years, especially in Otaniemi and Helsinki. Teekkaris have been based in Otaniemi since 1966. Outside of Otaniemi, Teekkaris are known amongst other things for their pranks (jäynä), tempaus and singing culture. The tassel-capped community aims to evoke cheer and joy not only in itself, but also for those around it. The most prized distinction of a Teekkari is their tasseled cap (Teekkarilakki) which goes back to the year 1893. The Teekkari culture promotes a sense of community and tolerance - Teekkaris accept everyone exactly as they are and don't leave anyone behind.

Fuksi education and upbringing has a long tradition in Otaniemi. My, and your international responsables' task is to welcome you to the Aalto community and guide you through your first year or semester in Aalto. During this time you will be able to collect fuksi points from various events and activities, which will earn you your very own Teekkari cap.

The fuksi points will introduce you to the Teekkari culture, the Aalto community, Finland, other students of Aalto, as well as to all the fun memories! The fuksi year will culminate in the largest and most revered event for us

Teekkaris: Wappu, provided that the Fuksi Major decides to organize one for you. If you are an exchange student leaving after the Autumn term, I strongly suggest visiting Otaniemi again for the possible Wappu.

In addition to technology students, there are also arts and business students studying in Otaniemi. The united and multidisciplinary university, as well as the Aalto community will provide you with a rich and abundant selection of student activities to complement your studies. Everyone is sure to find some activity that interests them with a like-minded group!

My most important advice for you is to participate with an open mind and heart. Get to know your international responsables, tutors and your fellow study buddies. Beside studying, experiencing new things together and building friendships are some of the best opportunities our university can provide you during your time here as a student. Your guild or association, the International Committee and countless other people and organizations create the framework for the activities, but you decide yourself how you want to shape your time as a student. A once-in-a-lifetime experience awaits you and I recommend that you make the most of it! I am in the privileged position of accompanying you and your fellow students on your journey to becoming Teekkaris. With best wishes,

Oliver Hiekkamies



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Hello fuksi and welcome to Aalto community!

KY - AALTO UNIVERSITY BUSINESS STUDENTS

We are KY, a community of more than 3000 business students, "kylteris". Our purpose in the Aalto community is to cherish our over 110-year-old traditions, uphold KY culture and advocate for our members. At the campus you can spot us in our dollar green overalls!

KY is home for hundreds of volunteers, who participate actively in KY's clubs, subject clubs, subcommittees and committees. They organise a wide selection of activities and festivities to make sure that everyone gets the most out of their time in the university. We have many traditional events that are also open for anyone in the Aalto community, such as the adventure competition Aalto City Challenge, Hukkaputki pub crawl and KY Wappu. Follow us on social media to spot the ticket sales!

Website: ky.fi
Instagram: ky_1911

KY 1911

PROBBA

Probba is the student association of Aalto University School of Business, Mikkeli Campus. All students studying at the Mikkeli Campus major in International Business and are members of Probba, bringing their size to around 240 members.

Website: probba.org
Instagram: probbary

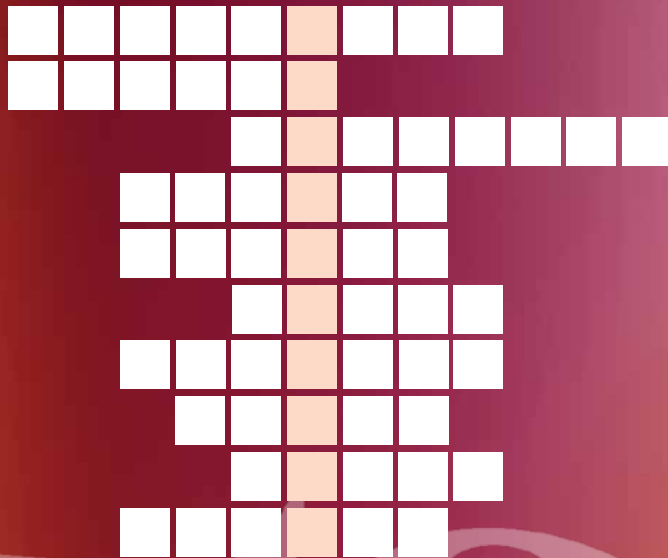


CONGRATS, FRESH TEEKKARI-TO-BE!

WHAT A SPECIAL YEAR TO START YOUR STUDIES! TEEKKARIUS CELEBRATES IT'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY IN 2022. THIS YEAR IS UNIQUE FOR ALL TEEKARIS AND TEEKKARI MINDED AND IN HONOR OF THE JUBILEE PLENTY OF EVENTS WILL BE HELD THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. JOIN TO CELEBRATE THE LONG AND EVENTFUL HISTORY OF TEEKKARIUS!

TRY YOUR TEEKKARI KNOWLEDGE OUT WITH THIS CROSSWORD PUZZLE!

1. Not every teekkari becomes an engineer. These people, who tend to like houses, are Teekkaris too!
2. Hanging from the cap is a ...
3. In which part of town do Teekkaris study in Tampere?
4. Otaniemi party central in Jämeräntäival 4
5. A theatrical performance popular with Teekkaris, combining improvisation, music, dance and humor
6. The biggest jubilee of spring, the Christmas of the Teekkaris!
7. A special piece of clothing among Finnish students
8. A special name for the Associations of Technology Subjects
9. A first year student, ie ...
10. An academic table party especially favored by students



READ MORE AT:



@TEKKARIUS150

TEKKARIUS150.FI



Hi fuksi!

Become a student member of TEK! Membership is completely free, and includes a host of services to help you not only work in Finland, but to thrive here. These include guidance on how to summer job hunt, recommendations for your salary, as well as legal aid to check your first contract or to later protect your rights.

TEK is a community of 77,000 university students and graduates in the field of technology. We strive to ensure that our members have the best working conditions possible, in order to help them solve the major issues of our time; from climate change and natural resource scarcity to artificial intelligence.

Find out more at www.tek.fi/students, or join at www.tek.fi/join now!

Best regards,



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TOKYO RY IS A STUDENT ORGANIZATION THAT BRINGS TOGETHER STUDENTS OF AALTO UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF ARTS, DESIGN, AND ARCHITECTURE.

There are multiple subject organizations within Aalto ARTS, but TOKYO is the umbrella association open to all ARTS students. As a school-level association, TOKYO takes an active part in student advocacy and organizes events to gather together all the ARTS-minded students and alumni. Events include Lapland trip, Maskerad (costume party around Halloween), and Christmas Sales, where students can sell their art. TOKYO also owns Kipsari and Kipsari Studio - two great restaurants that are fully vegan from this year on! - as well as Torso magazine, which you could be a part of.

**AUGUST 18
PRE-START
PICNIC**

**SEP 2
START ARTS**
CHERRY ON TOP OF THE
ORIENTATION WEEK EVENTS

**MID-OCTOBER
TOKYO
LAPLAND TRIP**
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO FINLAND
IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN THERE

**END OF
OCTOBER
MASKERAD**
GET YOUR COSTUME
AND DANCE MOVES READY

**END OF
NOVEMBER
CHRISTMAS SALES**
SELL YOUR ART OR BUY
AUTHENTIC PRESENTS

MORE INFO AND UPDATES?
CHECK OUR SOCIALS:
IG: tokyo_aalto_arts
<https://tokyo.fi>

Other organizations

BEST Helsinki

BEST Helsinki is the local section of BEST (Board of European Students of technology) and a part of AYY. They organize different events in Otaniemi, as well as events where people from around Europe come to participate. They have Finnish and non-Finnish members and are one of Aalto's international organizations. Everyone in Aalto is welcomed to join.

See more information:
facebook.com/BESTHelsinki
Telegram: t.me/BESTHelsinki



ESN Aalto

ESN Aalto is the local section of ESN Finland and ESN International. They arrange events mainly for exchange and international students at Aalto University, but everyone from Aalto is welcome whether they are studying through Erasmus or not.

For more information:
esnaalto.org
facebook.com/EsnAaltoOfficial
Telegram: t.me/ESNAalto



Professional Subject Associations

Professional Subject Associations, often called "AA clubs" (short for ammattiainekerho not anonymous alcoholics...), are for students who wish to deepen their connection to a specific subject. The Guilds are relatively large organizations catering to everyone, but in these clubs you can connect with like minded people and get more professional content on fascinating excursions, seminars and fun evening parties. Of course, nothing stops you from joining several of them if you are interested! Most of the activity is in Finnish, but just ask and you'll surely get help.



Akva
water and environmental
engineering club
akva.ayy.fi



LVK
Energy Engineering Club
lvk.ayy.fi



Fundi
Real estate economics stu-
dents' association
fundi.fi



MKR
Geotechnical and Hydraulic
Engineering club
mkr.ayy.fi



Linkki
Transportation and High-
way Engineering Club
linkki.ayy.fi



Poligoni
Geoinformatics Club
poligoni.ayy.fi



LRK
Shipbuilders' Club



ROPO
Construction Economics
Club
ropo.ayy.fi



LVI
Architectural engineering
and enery engineering Club
lvi.ayy.fi



VTK
Production and manufactur-
ing engineering club
valmistustekniikankerho.com



Väöntö
Students interested in struc-
tural engineering
vaanto.ayy.fi

Survival in Otaniemi

HOAS

ayy



Housing

Need to find a student apartment?

Make an application right away to both HOAS, (Foundation for Student Housing in the Helsinki Region) and AYY (Aalto University Student Union). Apply for all possible student apartments and accept the first offer you get to secure a flat!

Health Services

The Finnish Student Health Service (FSHS) provides student health care services that are available to those who have paid the health care fee. FSHS offers general health, oral health, and mental health services.

Students who have enrolled for attendance must pay the student health care fee to Kela at their own initiative. The fee is paid twice a year: the autumn term fee by the end of September and the spring term fee by the end of January. International exchange students, doctoral students, students in continuing education or tailor-made education are not covered by the FSHS student health care. Additional information can be found at yths.fi

Transport

Public transportation is easy to use and you should be able to go from any place to another in Helsinki metropolitan area (Helsinki, Espoo, Vantaa and Kauniainen) easily by bus, train, underground or tram. To get a student discount you need a travelling card called matkakortti from HSL. More information at hsl.fi

Eating

There are many restaurants in Otaniemi in which you can get lunch at a student friendly price. To see the menu of the week in all restaurants check kanttiinit.fi

Student card

Members of AYY are entitled to apply for student card, which gives you many discounts and other benefits. Digital student card is free. Application and information: frank.fi/en

Sports

Exercise at campus with Unisport, that offers both gym practise and group training with student friendly prices. You can also join ENG teams in ball game series or register your own team.

Telegram

Telegram is an instant messaging service (like Whatsapp) and is the preferred means of communication in Otaniemi because it can host large groupchats and has many other useful features. We strongly recommend that you install Telegram to join the important chat groups in Otaniemi. Most (almost all) information about Guild's events will be informed about via telegram and you should join at least your own Guild's chats which are listed below. You can ask others to add you to groups or join open groups by searching for them in the Telegram app. Under are listed a few useful groups:

Join your guild's fuksi group and info channel!

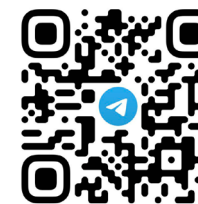
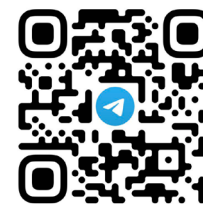
Master fuksis



Captain's info



IK



MK



KIK



Otaniemi - English

Here is a collection of some of the words that don't necessarily carry much meaning outside of Otaniemi, but are useful to know while you are studying/living here. Of course, you don't have to remember all of these and can always ask an older student if you are unsure of anything

Aava: Aalto University Student Union's Community section, bringing all Aalto students together

A-bloc: a small shopping centre above the Otaniemi metro station

AK: The Guild of Architects

Alvari: The square behind the main building (Undergraduate Centre); the cafeteria in Otakaari 1

Amfi: Amphitheatre outside the main building

AS: The Guild of Automation and Systems Technology

Assari: A course assistant, often an older student who runs exercise sessions

Athene: The Guild of Information Networks Athene

AYY: The student union of Aalto University; oversees the interests of the students and organizes events

DI: Master of Science in Technology

Dipoli: The main building of Aalto University, the centre of administration

Domo: AYY's student housing application system

ENG: Aalto University's School of Engineering

Excu: A company visit in Finland or abroad

FK: The guild of Physics

FSHS: Finnish student health care service; YTHS in Finnish

FTMK: The Fuksi Committee; a committee consisting of the Fuksi Captains of all the guilds and the chairman of the committee, the Fuksi major

Fuksi: a first-year technical student

Fresher: a first-year Aalto University student

Fuksi Captain: Responsible for all fuksis of a guild, knows everything

Gravitaatio: An event organized by AYY that takes place the Tuesday of the Easter week

Guild: An association bringing together students studying in the same field

HOAS: Helsinki region student housing foundation

Hymni / Teekkarihymni: A traditional teekkari song that is sung at midnight (see back)

IK: The Guild of Civil Engineers (your guild!)

Inkubio: The Guild of Bioinformation Technology

JMT: Jämeräntäival; a street in Otaniemi with a lot of student housing, the "party street"

Julkku: A Wappu magazine that is published every other year, all the even years

Jäynä: A friendly prank or practical joke that aims to lift the spirits of everyone involved. Jäynä should never be mean or leave a bad feeling

Keto or keskustoimisto: AYY Central Office, Otakaari 11

KIK: The Guild of Mechanical Engineers

Kilta: A guild

Kiltis: A guild room, a place for guild members to hang out, drink coffee and play Playstation

KK: The Chemistry Guild

Konelainen: A member of the Guild of Mechanical Engineers

Kylteri: A business student

Lafka: A slang word for University building

Lakinlaskijaiset: A big event on the 30.9. where the teekkari caps are taken off for the winter

Laskari: A study exercise

Lukkari: A song leader in sitsit. Tells bad jokes and tries to stay in tune

Maari: A building in Otaniemi with computers, study spaces etc. Open 24/7

Mittari: A member of the Guild of Surveying Engineers

MK: The Guild of Surveying Engineers

MyCourses: An online system where you can follow your studies and hand in assignments

Niemi: Otaniemi; a headland in Finnish

Noppa: A study credit, a die

OK: Otakaari, the road that goes through Otaniemi

OK20: A building on Otakaari, often used for parties, Otakaari 20

Oltermanni: The guild's connection to school's staff and departments; also cheese

Ossinlampi: A small pond in Otaniemi

Ossinlinna: A building in Otakaari 18, student residences and a sauna owned by AYY

Overalls: A common attire for students, indicates the guild or association of the wearer

Palju: A hot tub, the best place to be at a sillis

PJK: The Forest Products Guild

Polyteekkarimuseo: The museum of teekkari culture

Prodeko: The Guild of Industrial Engineering and Management

PT: Process technology students

Päälafka: Another name for the Undergraduate Centre, Otakaari 1

Raksalainen: A member of the Guild of Civil Engineers

Rantsu: or Rantasauna, a Sauna on the sea shore behind JMT

SIK: The Guild of Electrical Engineering

Sillis: A brunch event after a big party like an annual ball, usually lasts the whole day

Sitsit: An academic dinner party with a three-course meal, drinks and singing

SMT: Servin Maijan tie, the other road in Otaniemi

Smökki: Servin Maijan mökki, a building at the beginning of JMT, a common place for events

Speksi: An interactive and humorous musical made by students

Teekkari: A student of technology who has studied for at least one year and has the right to wear the cap

Teekkarijaosto (TJ): The Teekkari Section; a section of AYY, the highest authority when it comes to all the teekkari things

Teekkarikylä: The Teekkari Village; home to many students

Teekkarilakki: The teekkari cap

TEK: Union of Engineers

Telegram: An instant messaging app widely used in Otaniemi, without it life in Aalto could be hard

Tempaus: A major event that aims to direct the attention of the public to a chosen aspect of the society

Teknologföreningen (TF): The Swedish speaking nation of Aalto

TiK: The Guild of Computer Science

Täffä: A building and cafeteria owned by TF, serves spaghetti on Wednesdays

Tupsufuksi: A first-year student who has earned and received their teekkari cap

Ullis / Ullanlännmäki: A part of Kaivopuisto where students gather to celebrate on the 1st of May

VK: The Guild of Materials and Metallurgy Students

Väre: A New building for ARTS located above the metro station

Wappu: A Teekkari's Christmas, New Year and Birthday combined, organized if the Fuksi Major allows so

Äpy: Wappu publication published every other year, the uneven years



Orientation week schedule

This is an estimate of the week's schedule. Note, that the schedule might change, and you will get your own detailed schedule later from the school and your tutors, but be prepared that you will have lots of awesome and interesting things going on for the whole week arranged by both the guilds and the university!

Monday 29.8.

8-9 Breakfast, Dipoli, Otakaari 24

9-10 Dean's welcome, Dipoli, Otakaari 24

12-15.30 Starting your studies + AYY's and student guilds welcome, B-Hall, Undergraduate Centre, Otakaari 1

16-18 Campus tour with tutors

18->

KIK: Guild's sauna evening, Rantasauna

IK: Introduction evening and getting to know each other

MK:

Tuesday 30.8.

Program info

17-> ENG International party, Otakaari 20

Wednesday 31.8.

Program info

Exchange student info

17-> KIK: Otaorientering - Checkpoint crawl in Otaniemi

IK: Hanging out outside and sauna with MK

MK: Hanging out outside and sauna with IK

Thursday 1.9.

10-13 Introduction to University Services (in Finnish), Otakaari 4

11-15 Service fair in Väre Building, Otaniementie 14

13.30-16.30 Introduction to University Services (in English), Otakaari 4

17-> KIK: Program planned by tutors

17-> IK and MK: Otaorientering - Checkpoint crawl in Otaniemi

Friday 2.9.

12-14 Teekkarilife-lecture

14-16 KIK: Tug'O'War between KIK and SIK, Alvari square


18- Kaukkarit @Smökki



Fuksi's checklist:

- ☐ Enrol as attending
- ☐ Set up your Aalto IT account salasana.aalto.fi
- ☐ Pay the AYY and Guild's membership fees
- ☐ Get an apartment! Emergency accommodation is available in Otaniemi
- ☐ Order a student card from www.myfrank.fi
- ☐ Get an HSL travel card and register your student discount
- ☐ Arrive on time on Monday 29.8., the whole week is full of useful and fun events! If you can't make it, send a message to your fuksi captains!
- ☐ Read this guide carefully!
- ☐ Download Telegram and join the course chat
- ☐ Ask your captains if something is unclear to you! :)





Yö kuin sielu teekkarin on pimiä,
takajoukko nukkuu vain, nukkuu vain
Tarhapöllön ääni kimiä,
kuuluu pappilasta päin, kuuluu päin
Ja taas ja siis,
ja 1,2,3,4,5.