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Hokkaido University currently has six partner universities in Finland.

UNIVERSITY OF LAPLAND
LAPIN YLIOPISTO

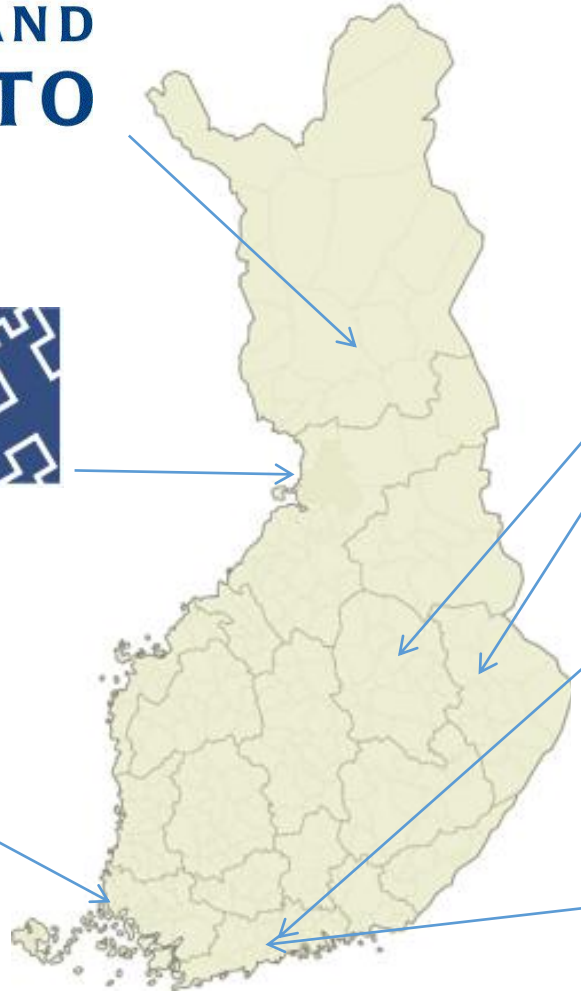
UNIVERSITY OF EASTERN FINLAND

UNIVERSITY of OULU
OULUN YLIOPISTO

Aalto University

Turun yliopisto
University of Turku

UNIVERSITY OF HELSINKI



Three of those partners have a representative working on the Hokkaido University campus.

UNIVERSITY OF LAPLAND
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Finnish winters are cold and dark, but this just creates perfect conditions to see Aurora Borealis.

Record low temperature -51,5 °C (Kittilä, 28.1.1999)

No matter how low the temperature outside might drop, Finnish houses are always warm inside due to the heating system and insulation used in Finland.

Cold days tend to have no clouds, which makes it easy to see aurora borealis.

Picture courtesy of VisitRovaniemi.

Though Finland is cold in the winter, it's summers are warm and blessed with nearly endless sunlight.

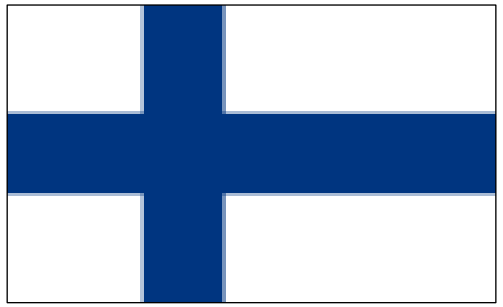
Record high temperature +37,2° C
(Joensuu, 29.7.2010)

The average temperature in Finland for one year is not that different from that of Hokkaido's.

The picture on the left was taken in Rovaniemi (located on the arctic circle) in June at midnight.

Picture courtesy of VisitRovaniemi.

As a country with a relatively small population, Finland is an excellent place to experience nature as one can often do that just a short walk away from the city center



Area

- Finland 338,424 km2
- Japan 377,944 km2
- Hokkaido 83 452 km2

Population

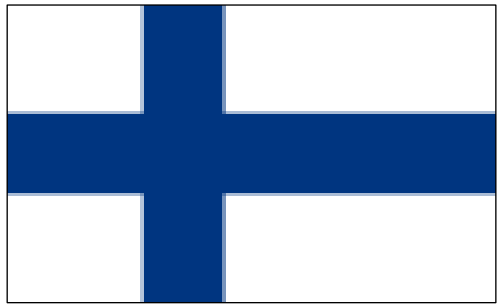
- Finland 5 400 000 people
- Japan 127 960 000 people
- Hokkaido 5 700 000 people

Lakes

18 7888

(yes, Finland has a lot of lakes, they cover over 10% of it in fact)

Though English is not the official language of Finland, it is widely used through, for instance, imported TV-programs and video games and studies at schools starting at the elementary school level , and one can actually live everyday life in Finland using nothing but English.



Official Language

- Finnish
- Swedish

Native Language

1. Finnish	4 863 351 people
2. Swedish	291 219 people
3. Russian	58 331 people
4. Estonian	33 076 people
5. Somali	14 045 people
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21. Saami*	1 870 people

*The saami are the indigenous people of Finland

Finnish university students do not pay tuition fees and receive financial aid (around 500€/months) from the government to pay for essentials needed for everyday life. The amount of money is not much and thus Finland has been made a very student-friendly country through numerous student benefits that they receive when paying the annual student union membership.

- No tuition fees
- Student Union membership ~80€/year

Student Card Benefits

- Discount on Transportation ~50%
- Cafeteria meals ~3€
- Healthcare included
- Movie theaters, restaurants, bars etc.

- More benefits at https://frank.fi/en/

International Master's Degree Programmes in Finland tend to be tuition free for foreign and Finnish students alike. The programmes are offered completely in English.

International Master's Degree Programmes at the University of Oulu

Economics
Finance
Financial and Management Accounting
International Business Management
Marketing

Education
Education and Globalisation
Learning, Education and Technology

Engineering and Architecture
Architectural Design
Biomedical Engineering: Signal and Image Processing
Computer Science and Engineering
Environmental Engineering
Product Management
Wireless Communications Engineering

Health Sciences
Biomedical Engineering: Biomechanics and Imaging
Health and Wellbeing in the Circumpolar Area

Natural Sciences
Ecology and Population Genetics
Economic Geology
Protein Science and Biotechnology
Software, Systems and Services Development in Global Environment

UNIVERSITY of OULU
OULUN YLIOPISTO

UNIVERSITY OF LAPLAND
LAPIN YLIOPISTO

Arctic Art and Design
Comparative Social Work
Media Education
International and Comparative Law (MICLaw)
Tourism, Culture and International Management (TourCIM)

Turun yliopisto
University of Turku

Faculty of Education
Learning, Learning Environments and Educational Systems
Faculty of Humanitites
Baltic Sea Region Studies
European Heritage, Digital Media and the Information Society
Finnish and Other Finno-Ugric Languages
Pathway in Popular Culture Studies
Faculty of Law
Law and Information Society
Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences
Astronomy and Space Physics
Bioinformatics
Embedded Computing
Food Development
Information Security and Cryptography
Material Science
Molecular Biotechnology and Diagnostics
Molecular Systems Biology
Faculty of Medicine
Biomedical Imaging
Drug Discovery and Development
Turku School of Economics
Management of Information Technology
Futures Studies
Global Information Technology Management
Global Innovation Management
Faculty of Social Sciences
Asian Studies

Turun yliopisto
University of Turku

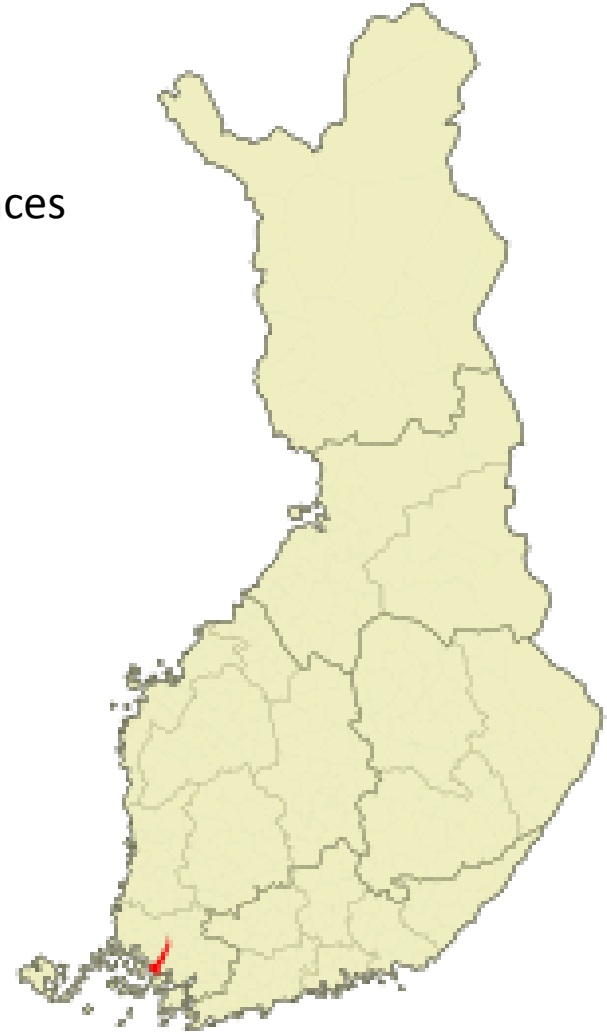
- Established 1920
- Rector Kalervo Väänänen
- Administrative staff 3 000
- Students 19 517

Picture courtesy of the University of Turku.

www.utu.fi/en

Faculties
Faculty of Humanities
Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences
Faculty of Medicine
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Social Sciences
Faculty of Education
Turku School of Economics

Language Centre
Centre for Environmental Research
Centre for Extension Studies
Centre for Maritime Studies
Turku Centre for Biotechnology
Turku PET Centre
Turku Centre for Computer Science
Business and Innovation Development
Turku Centre for Medieval and Early Modern Studies
Technology Research Center



UNIVERSITY OF LAPLAND
LAPIN YLIOPISTO

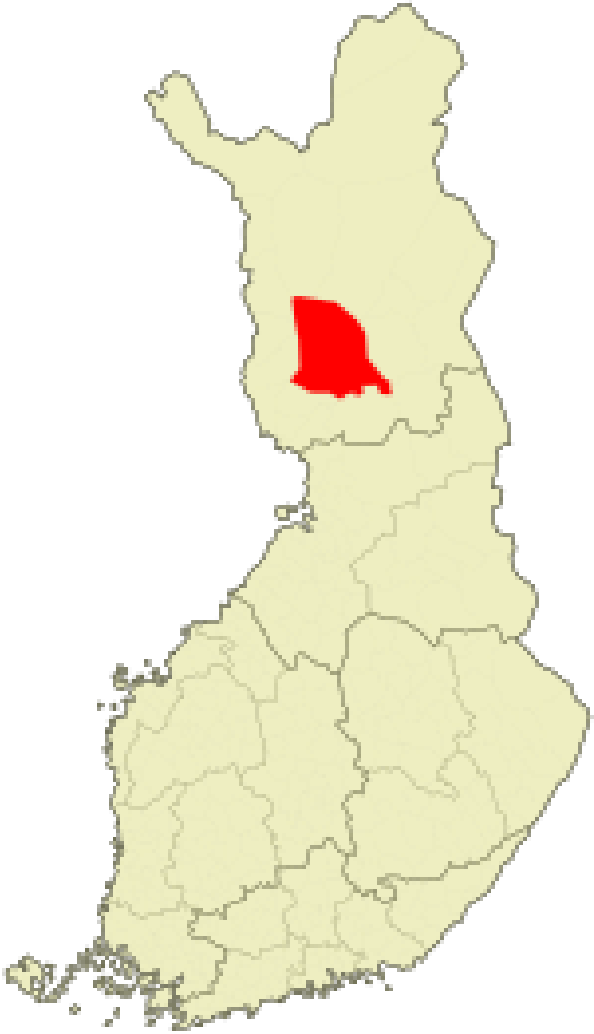
- Established 1979
- Rector Mauri Ylä-Kotola
- Administrative staff 652
- Students 4 240

Picture courtesy of the University of Lapland.

http://www.ulapland.fi/InEnglish

Faculties
Faculty of Art & Design
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Social Sciences

Language Center
Arctic Center
Center for Media Pedagogy
Institute for Northern Culture
Multidimensional Tourism Institute
Teacher Training School



UNIVERSITY of OULU
OULUN YLIOPISTO

- Established 1958
- Rector Jouko Niinimäki
- Administrative staff 2 946
- Students 15 365

Picture courtesy of the University of Oulu.

http://www.oulu.fi/english/

Faculties

Faculty of Education
Faculty of Humanities
Faculty of Science
Faculty of Medicine
Faculty of Information Technology and
Faculty of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine
Electrical Engineering
Faculty of Technology
Oulu Business School
Oulu Mining School
Oulu School of Architecture

Biocenter Oulu
Bioeconomy Research Community
Centre for Arctic Medicine
Centre for Environment and Energy
Centre for Health and Technology
Center for Internet Excellence
Centre for Wireless Communications
Center for Microscopy and Nanotechnology
Center for Life Course Epidemiology Research
Eudaimonia Research Center
Infotech Oulu
Giellagas-institute
Kajaani University Consortium
Library
Laboratory Animal Centre
Medical Research Center Oulu
Oulu Southern Institute
Raahe Unit
Sodankylä Geophysical Observatory
Thule Institute Research Centre