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**Excellence
in action**

TUAS'
strategic plan
2015–2025

**Innopeda®
based learning
continuum**

**Technical
innovation university
of the future**

**Inspiring
community**

**Developing
well-being**

Innovative community of 10,000 creative thinkers

Turku University of Applied Sciences is an inspiring community of 10,000 members – an innovative and multidisciplinary higher-education institution, which creates international competitiveness and well-being for Finland. Our graduates are practice-oriented professionals with top competencies.

We offer multidisciplinary and international high-quality education and research, development and innovation activities for the needs of working life.

Finland is renowned throughout the world for its high-quality education: our education system has been ranked the best in the world for many years.

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**Faculties and number
of students (2016):**

- Business, ICT and Chemical Engineering (3100)
- Health and Well-being (3000)
- Technology, Environment and Business (2700)
- Arts Academy (700)
- Staff (700)



Mr. Vesa Taatila
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Turku University of
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New culture of learning, Innopeda®

Innopeda® is a learning method developed at TUAS. It is based on experimenting, sharing know-how, and combining different approaches. With Innopeda, we successfully connect teaching, research and development activities, internationality, and co-operation with working life.

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Focusing on quality

Quality means excellent results, defined and crystallised in the strategy of Turku University of Applied Sciences: Excellence in Action.

The aim is to promote, support and facilitate the continuous improvement of quality across Education, RDI, and Global and Educational Services, in addition to the Support Services of TUAS. The quality of TUAS refers to the PDCA cycle of continuous improvement.

The entire community of TUAS participates in the quality work. The quality system supports the proactive evaluation of the university of applied sciences, and is an integral part of the strategic management and the operational culture.

Multidisciplinary campus

Turku University of Applied Sciences has currently campuses in Turku and Salo. In the upcoming years, a new campus building will be completed in Turku, where TUAS' operations will be concentrated. Concentrating the operations creates functional and structural synergy benefits. The new facilities and the multidisciplinary campus also enable a more successful implementation of innovation pedagogy. The reform supports TUAS' strategy: it aims at modern learning environments that can be transformed over time, and that respond to current and future pedagogical challenges.

High-quality education services for international markets: Chinese Students are practising perioperative nursing care at TUAS.



Let's develop, study and innovate together!

Through active co-operation with businesses, higher education institutions and other public sector institutions, we are able to find new potential, and possibilities for success. Our RDI brings together the fresh and creative ideas of students and the expertise of the teachers and develops products, services and solutions for the needs of different fields. Development projects are closely linked to teaching. We offer our expertise also for the planning and management of projects.

Services for business offer a diverse range of expert and training services for the development of organizations and individuals. Our students are a great resource and we encourage companies to take advantage of students' knowledge, fresh ideas and enthusiasm. Our students can carry out, e.g., innovation camps, R & D projects, market research and other projects.

Partners in international co-operation

- CARPE – the Consortium on Applied Research and Professional Education is the first strategic alliance of a number of European universities of applied sciences.
- CDIO collaborators – the CDIO™ Initiative is an innovative educational framework for producing the next generation of engineers)
- FinnWayLearning – an educational consortium between the City of Turku and several regional education establishments



Visiting experts and staff exchange

We believe that excellence is gained by sharing knowledge. Every year TUAS hosts more than 250 short-term exchange teachers and other staff members from our partner universities abroad. Their lectures and expertise enrich both our education and research. We also encourage visiting experts to spend longer periods of time with us at TUAS. Every year, we organise several international weeks and other events, which provide teachers and administrative staff a good opportunity to exchange information and network with colleagues from around the world. More information on these international weeks can be found at tuas.fi/internationalweek

Improving life with RDI

At TUAS, the creative and innovative ideas of students meet teachers' expertise and the experience of project professionals. Strong regional, national and international partner networks support the development work.

The projects are executed in collaboration with working life, and they can be anything from short development projects designed for individual organisations to international projects spanning several years, and involving a wide network of partners.

A successful project is firmly based on the needs of customers and communities, and the results continue to live on after the project has been completed. tuas.fi/rdi

Customer-oriented continuing education and services

TUAS Global Education Services provides high-quality education services aimed at individuals as well as organisations in both the public and the private sectors. Our services portfolio consists of professional development programmes, consultation services and capacity building projects. In all services, we emphasise a customer-oriented approach and multidisciplinary. TUAS knowhow has been crystallised in educational innovations, which form the basis of our global education services offering. From the beginning, innovation pedagogy (Innopeda®) has been defined as the main TUAS export brand. tuas.fi/services



TUAS makes dreams come true

We all have dreams and goals. What and where you study makes a difference. TUAS offers the kind of education that working life needs – now and also in the future. We provide multidisciplinary teaching in over sixty different degree programmes. Our teaching is based on innovation pedagogy, i.e., mixed-mode teaching and operational methods linked to working life. In addition, entrepreneurship and internationality are part of our everyday activities.

Turku University of Applied Sciences has currently seven degree programmes taught in English: Bachelor degree programmes in International Business, ICT and Nursing and Master Degree programmes in International Business Management, Leadership and Service Design and Marine Technology

TUAS Open University of Applied Sciences offers also a wide selection of courses and study modules in English. tuas.fi/admissions

Several paths to competence (2015)

- 1,651 Bachelor's degrees
- 155 Master's degrees
- 8,600 completed credits (Open UAS)
- 1,500 short continuing professional trainings



International cooperation brings all sorts of opportunities

At TUAS, international students are also able to experience our Innovation Pedagogy in action. In addition to international degree students, every year over 300 exchange students study on our campuses in Turku and Salo. All our degree programmes offer International Semesters in English, and warmly welcome students from our partner universities abroad to join them for a semester or the whole academic year. The student associations organise numerous leisure-time activities and student tutors help students, thus assuring a smooth settling into a new hometown.

TUAS offers both double degree programmes and joint programmes, which have been developed together with our international partner institutions in Europe and in Asia.

Online studies

Students of today expect flexibility of studies that contributes to the integration of studies into the different situations of their personal lives. Turku University of Applied Sciences aims to develop and expand its offerings in online studies, as well as to invest in the skills of the teaching staff in the field.

At the moment, our offerings include individual online courses, in addition to the International Business Online programme that provides a new and interactive way of acquiring a BBA degree online. All teachers in the programme are trained in online pedagogy, thus providing the best possible guidance in a fully-online environment.

Degree programmes

Bachelor's degrees at TUAS vary from 210 to 270 ECTS and range from taking 3.5 to 4.5 years to complete. Teaching at TUAS is based on innovation pedagogy and in addition to lectures, learning revolves extensively around projects and teamwork, and includes also independent studying. Practical training is an integral part of the studies. Master's degrees at TUAS give an in-depth insight into working life. The extent of the studies varies between 60–90 ECTS and can be completed while working.

There is a tuition fee applicable to non-EU/EEA area degree students.
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Cold, chilly, warm, hot.

That's Finland.



Turku is the best and most inspirational student city in the Baltic Sea region. There are 40,000 students studying in the six universities and universities of applied sciences in Turku – one quarter of residents of the city are students!

Turku is the oldest and one of the largest cities in Finland, with a unique archipelago of over 20,000 islands. This modern and lively city is just one day's cruise away from Stockholm, and Helsinki and St.Petersburg are easily accessible by train.

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Facts & figures

- Population 5.5 million (Turku 187 000)
- Bilingual: Finnish (91%) and Swedish (5.5%)
- Main religion: Lutheran (73%)
- Economic structure by GDP: Services 66.5%, Industry 30.2%, Agriculture 3.3%
- Main exports: Electrotechnical goods, metal products, machinery, transport equipment, wood and paper products, chemicals
- Modern, safe and well-functioning society



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