

## **Degree Programme in Information and Communications Technology, PIOTS22**

Congratulations on being accepted to study Information and Communications Technology! It is always a delight to welcome new students to our IoT campus. We look forward to meeting you in Salo IoT CAmpus. Please read carefully through the following information.

### **Beginning of your studies**

Your orientation to studies at TUAS starts on **Monday the 7th of February 2022 at 9 am** in Salo IoT Campus classroom Cindy. [See the campus website.](#)

### **Acquire a laptop**

Turku University of Applied Sciences is increasingly moving towards the utilization of students' own computers. Starting next semester, a lot of used-to-be computer classrooms have been transformed into "Bring Your Own Devices" (BYOD) - classrooms to be used with students' personal laptops. You need a laptop because this is where you will be doing your studying and your assignments.

### **Study-related information**

You will now be a University of Applied Sciences path student. This is quite different from your previous experiences and you need to be open-minded about this. As a student, you are expected to be present and actively participate in classes and complete your assignments on time. You are also expected to be able to work in groups with other students and present your work or demonstrate your knowledge in front of an audience which could be other students, members of staff or companies. At TUAS we expect our students to be independent and autonomous learners who can learn through conventional studying, search for information but also through trial and error. We also expect you develop your critical thinking by self-reflection and evaluation of your own performance.

### **Who to contact**

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### **Student life**

#### **Parties**

During the year, there are **usually under normal circumstances** a lot of student parties and events for everyone. The student parties and events usually take place on Thursdays, because most students work over the weekend. There are many pub crawls, or scavenger hunt type events around the city. For students who do not like to drink, the parties are a fun way of meeting new

people even if you don't drink alcohol. Also, there are events such as Sport Appro which is basically a pub crawl but instead of bars you go and do different sports.

## **Overalls**

Students in Finland have a tradition of buying and wearing [student overalls](#). Students have different colors for their overalls depending on what they study. Engineering students in Turku University of Applied Sciences (TUAS) have purple overalls with yellow linings. The overalls are a great way for finding people who study the same subjects as you or it's just a great way of breaking the ice by asking "What degree does your overalls color represent?"