

Basic Finnish for staff members

spring 2023

Tervetuloa kurssille! 😊
Mitä kuuluu?

Wed & Fri 8.2-26.4.2023

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- *Moi! Kuka sä oot?* Introductions
- Features of Finnish language
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The aim of the course is to learn the basics of **Finnish language and culture**, focusing on those needed in **the academic work environment** and **everyday life** outside the campus.

Topics

- Telling about yourself and others
- Everyday life situations on and off campus
- University as a working place
- Small talk and social etiquette
- Communication culture
- My surroundings
- Aspects of Finnish culture

→ If you didn't have time to share your own ideas in Padlet (in the platform), please do that before the next meeting. We will discuss the themes then.



Kurssi-info

Intended learning outcomes

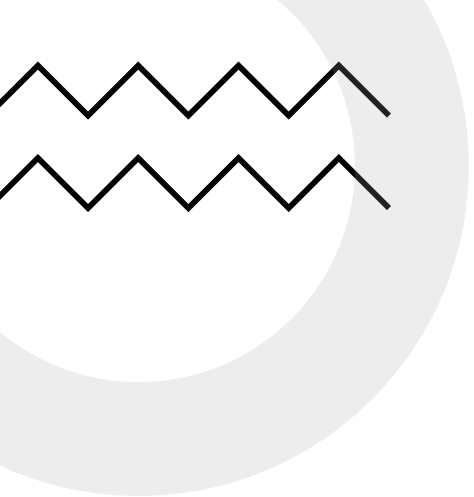
After the course the participant will be able to:

- understand **the main words** used in your environment
- introduce yourself and tell some main things about **your background and current situation**
- cope in **the most common routine situations** in Finnish both on and outside of campus
- apply **strategic skills for language learning** and learn Finnish on your own
- reflect upon some main aspects of **Finnish culture**



Kurssi-info

- The total duration of the course is **11 weeks**.
- The course is organized fully online on Zoom.
- The first two weeks 8.2.2023 - 17.2.2023: Zoom-lessons **on Wednesdays 8.30- 9.30** and **on Fridays 16.00 – 17.00**.
 - No teaching February 22nd and 24th (winter break)
- 1.3.2023 - 26.4.2023 teacher-led Zoom-lessons **on Wednesdays 8.30 - 10.00** and a small-group meeting (60 min) once a week.
 - No teaching on April 7th (Easter break)
- More information on working in small group will follow.

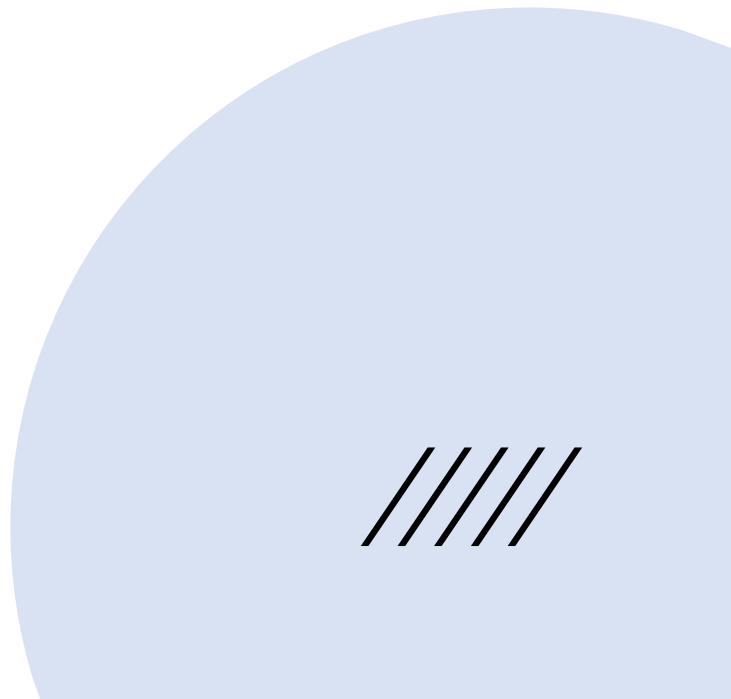


PIDÄ HAUSKAA! 😊

Have fun while learning a new and interesting language!

Speak and listen to Finnish in and outside of classroom every day. A word or a few is plenty enough in the beginning!

Don't think too much about the right form or making mistakes.



Moi! Kuka sä oot?

Moi! Mitä kuuluu?

Ihan hyvää.
Mikä sun nimi on?

Mun nimi on Pekka.

Samoin!

Moikka! Hyvää, kiitos.
Entä sulle?

Mun nimi on Katri.
Entä sun?

Kiva tavata!

1A. Introduce yourself using these phrases! Take turns.

1B. Discuss: What would like to learn in the course? What would you like to be able to communicate in Finnish after the course?

2. Take the quiz on the course page together with your group: **Quiz: Features of Finnish language**

Features of Finnish language 1/3

- No articles
- No grammatical gender
- No grammatical future tense



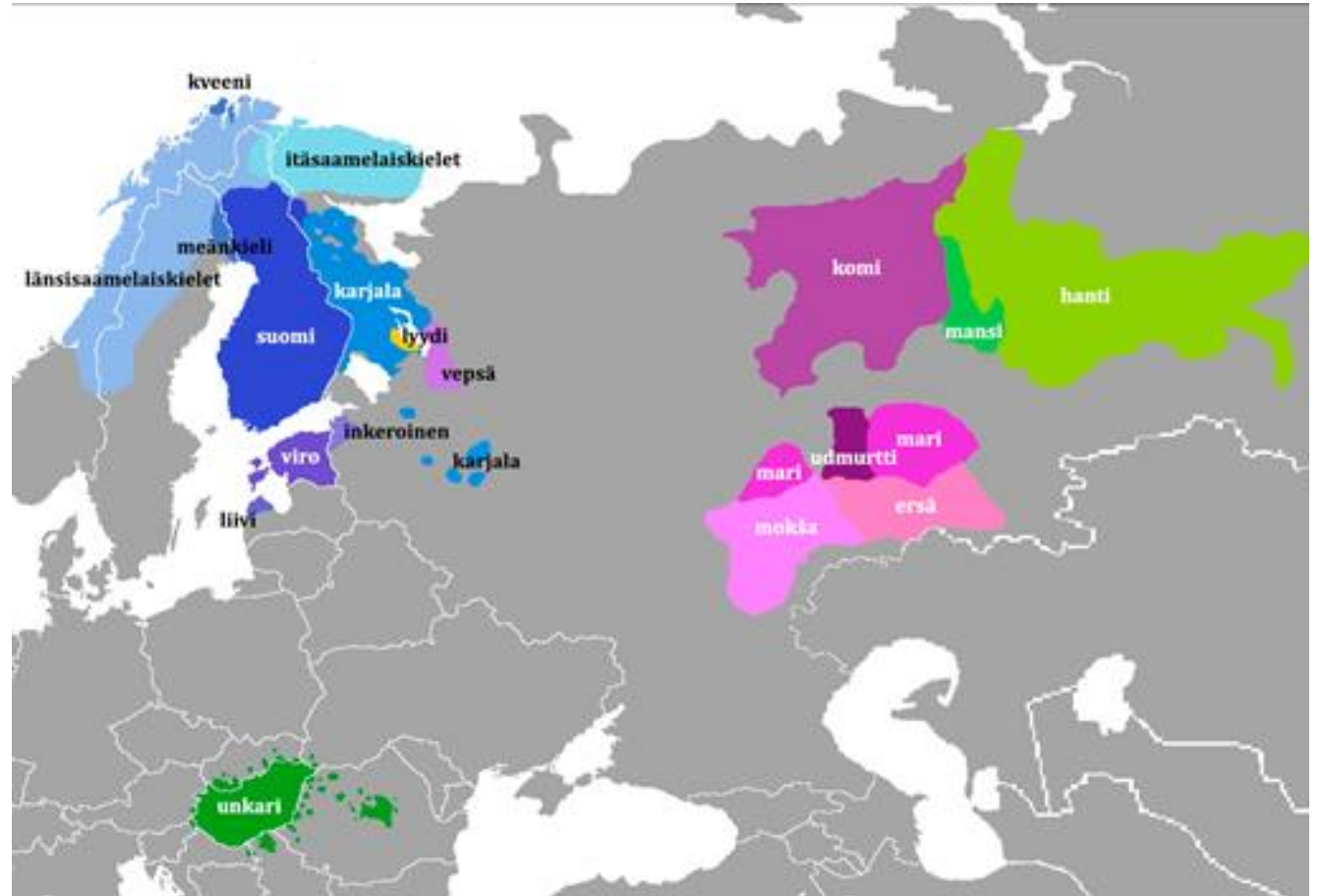
(Koira on kupissa.)

Syön tänään.
Syön huomenna.

Features of Finnish language

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- Finnish belongs to Finno-Ugric language family
- Approximately 40 languages and 20-25 million speakers
- What languages belong to the same language family?



Features of Finnish language 3/3

- Finnish is an agglunative language: different kind of (usually) suffixes are added to the base of the word

**MILLAINEN YLIOPISTO
OLEMME?**

Ura Helsingin yliopistossa

Työskentely Taideyliopistossa

Aalto-yliopistossa tiede ja taide kohtaavat tekniikan ja talouden.
Kampuksemme sijaitsee Espoon Otaniemessä.

Taideyliopisto toimii Helsingissä kahdella kampuksella Sörnäisissä ja Töölössä,

Videos for practicing pronunciation:

- Vowels:
<https://openlearning.aalto.fi/mod/page/view.php?id=10222>
- Consonants:
<https://openlearning.aalto.fi/mod/page/view.php?id=10223&forceview=1>

(Aalto-yliopisto, Aija Elg & Sanna Rämö)



Pronunciation: vowels / vokaalit

TULI

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- SA-MA ~ AA-MU
- O-VI ~ KOO-DI
- TÄ-TÄ ~ PÄI-VÄÄ
- HY-VÄ ~ TYY-LI
- SÖ-PÖ ~ INSINÖÖRI
- TER-VE ~ AN-TEEK-SI
- ÄI-TI
- LEI-PÄ
- TIE
- AU-TO

Pronunciation: consonants / konsonantit

KU-KA ~ KUK-KA

MA-TO ~ MAT-TO

TO-PI ~ TOP-PI

SA-NA ~ SAN-NA



Kotitehtävät / homework

- Listen to and read out loud the alphabet:
<https://yle.fi/aihe/artikkeli/2016/04/11/finnish-alphabet-aakkoset>
 - See the videos on vowels and consonants and practice pronunciation:
 - Vowels:
<https://openlearning.aalto.fi/mod/page/view.php?id=10222>
 - Consonants:
<https://openlearning.aalto.fi/mod/page/view.php?id=10223&forceview=1>
 - Practice pronouncing long and short vowels and consonants:
<https://quizlet.com/a4ndfa?x=1jqt&i=24t695>
 - Practice greetings: <https://quizlet.com/91613756/greetings-flash-cards/>
 - Pre-assignment 2*:
--> If you haven't introduced yourself yet, please write a short introduction. A picture would be nice!

--> If you have already introduced yourself, go ahead and greet others using Finnish greetings: "Nice to meet you" in Finnish: Hauska tutustua! or Kiva tavata! "See you in class": Nähdään tunnilla!
 - Pre-assignment 3**:
--> Think about the themes of the course and try to come up with at least 2 ideas on what you would like to study in this course.
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- Nähdään ensi kerralla! 😊

