



Erasmus+



Why should I choose Vaasa?

- ✓ One of the biggest student cities in Finland (more than 13,000 university students);
- ✓ Vaasa is truly international;
- ✓ Beautiful nature;
- ✓ Vaasa, the student city by the sea!



<https://infofinland.fi/>

<https://www.vaasa.fi/en/about-vaasa-and-the-vaasa-region/worldshappiestcity/yearofgooddeeds/>

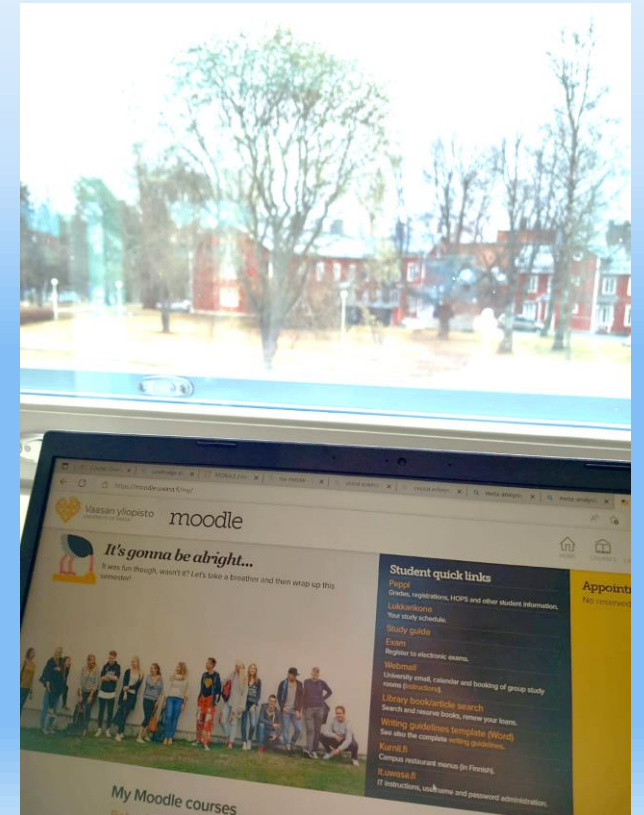
University of Vaasa

-There is enough choice of courses for erasmus students:

<https://opas.peppi.uvasa.fi/en/courses-for-exchange-students/4243?period=2023-2024>

For the majority of the courses grades are based on:

- ❖ assignments;
- ❖ presentations in class;
- ❖ power points to share;
- ❖ essays;
- ❖ learning diaries;
- ❖ open-book exams.



Really recommended the Finnish language base course offered at the beginning of the semester by the University!



Accommodation



The Student Housing Foundation of Vaasa

<https://www.voas.fi/Application/Exchange+students>

APPLYING :

Exchange students can apply for shared apartments that have furnished rooms in:

- [Linna](#) (also called PALOOSARENTIE) → this is where almost all the exchange students are (if it's not full - and where all the parties are 😊)
- [Suviboxi](#),
- [Olympia I](#),
- and a few apartments in [Ahvenranta](#) (houses J, L and M).



The price is between 300-400 euros; it includes in all the cases:
- **sauna** (A MUST DO FOR SURE, EVERY WEEK!),
- laundry,
- common spaces, if there are.

If you are going for the fall semester apply as soon as possible for the shared apartment since it is the semester with more exchange students and otherwise you will be assigned to Olympia or your other choices that you did put into your application which is farther from Uni.

Transports and moving around

Public transport

- Which bus to take: <https://vaasa.digitransit.fi/?locale=fi>
- Where to buy tickets: <https://www.vaasa.fi/en/living/traffic-and-streets/public-transport/tickets-and-service-points/>
- The mobile app: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=waltti.com.mobiili>

Group links on telegram where you can find groups to buy second-hand:
-stuff for home;
-bikes;
-clothes.

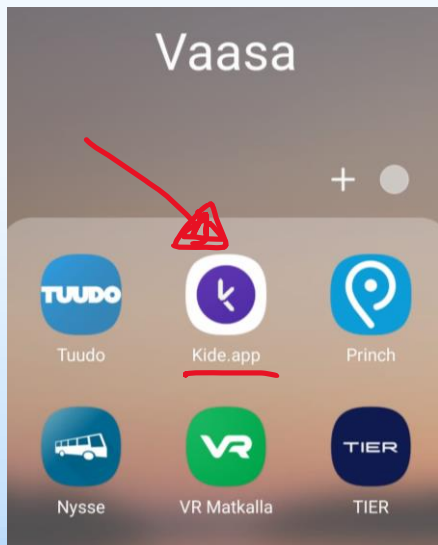
<https://linktr.ee/voasvaasa>

You can buy a second-hand bike, like mine(was)



Other services from University

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Cafeteria – Mensa – «Ravintola»



There are 5 cafeterias where you can eat with the card that the University will give you or also, by showing the kide app, an app which you have also to show in order to get discounts in : train, grocery shops, pastry shops ...



The meal for students is between 2-3 euros and it comprehends:

- main course,
- bread,
- salad(buffet),
- water+ blueberry juice or water+ pima(yogurt to drink)



Other services from University

Tutors



Each student has a tutor who follows around 10 students, so you can ask for anything to them once the University will assign it to you.

They usually organise 1 event for month like:

- welcome party,
- trip to skii or walk,
- sit-sit party,
- apartment or other theme parties,
- pub quiz,
- archipelago trip,
- farewell party.



Sport - sticker



The University of Vaasa offers in accordance with «Wasa sport club» the possibility to acces:

- the gym(with some time limits),
- partecipate whenever you want to group and individual sports like: volleyball, yoga class, basketball, rugby...

❖ All at 30 euros per semester(if not change).

Event	Start	End	Location	Contact person
WSC Lifting	13:30	17:30	Wasa Sports Club Wolffintie 36	Pia Niemi
Body class MIX	17:00	17:45	Domus Bothnica - Wärtsilä Sali, Yliopistoranta 5	Tiia Alkkiomäki
Table Tennis (open with AA Sports sticker as well)	17:00	18:00	Palosaaren koulu Wolffintie 25	Joona Uotila
YOGA MIX	18:00	18:45	Domus Bothnica - Wärtsilä Sali, Yliopistoranta 5	Tiia Alkkiomäki
Basketball (Also for AA Sports sticker)	18:00	19:30	Vasa övningsskola - Kirkkopuistikko 11-13, 65100 Vaasa (Yläaste)	Lauri Laaksonen
Volleyball (Also for VY-students)	19:00	20:30	Liikuntasali, 6. kerros, Academill (sisäänkäynti E2 ovelta, Koulukadun puolen kuja) /Sportshall in Academill, floor 6 (entrance from the E2 door in the alley from Skolhusgatan's side)	

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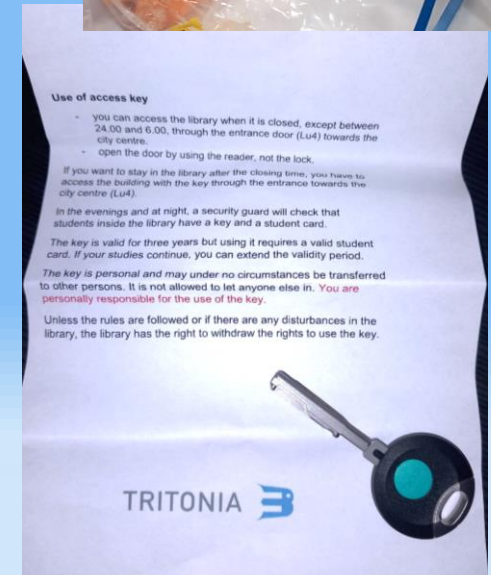


The «Tritonia» library

<https://tritonias.finna.fi/uva/>



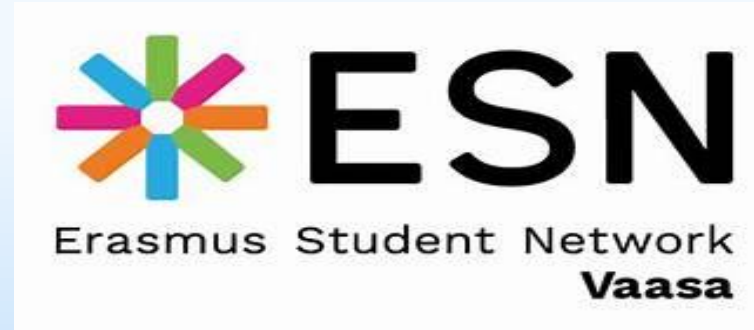
- ✓ Study group rooms,
- ✓ Desks for solo study,
- ✓ Some strange and comfortable chairs,
- ✓ Access to the library in the night with a key that you have to require and pay a caution (that they will give you back-25 euros),
- ✓ Microwave with space where you can eat your food.



The association that will organise all your leisure time every week!

They will organise 1 **week event** approximately like:

- pub quizzes,
- Fontana club theme parties(the «Fontana club» is the disco club of Vaasa,
- trips,
→ Don't forget to buy your overall, where you can saw your patches, at each event you will receive a patch, that is like a souvenir!



Every semester they generally organise

these **trips**:

- ❖ **Lapland trip,**
- ❖ **PoBS,**
- ❖ **Baltics trip,**
- ❖ **Lofoten trip.**

They will announce the prices and dates at the beginning of the semester.



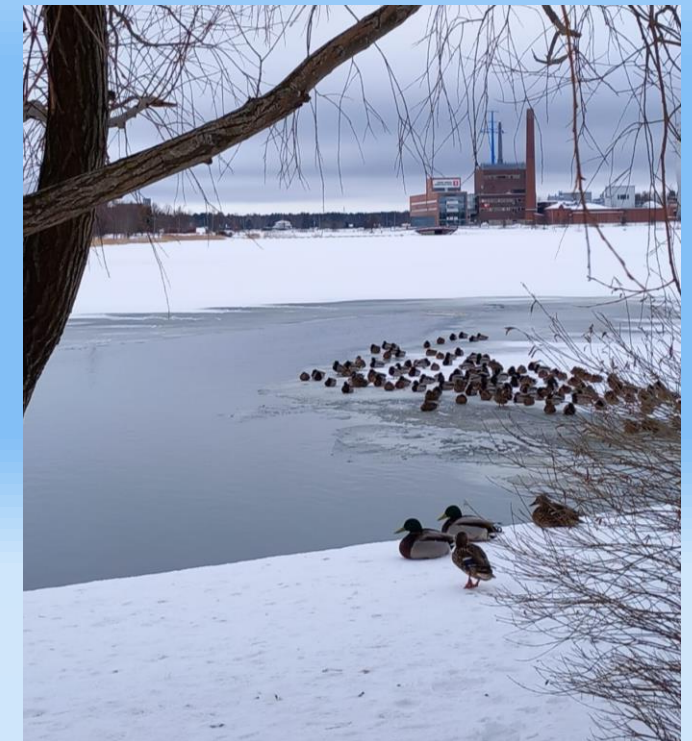
Some useful links:

<https://www.vaasa.fi/> → The city of Vaasa

<https://yle.fi/aihe/oppiminen/suomen-kielen-alkeet> → Basic Finnish online

<http://tasteoffinnish.fi/> → Finnish course for university students

Almost everything in supermakets is written in Finnish, SO, be aware!



ENJOY YOUR JOURNEY!

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