

SEP EXPERIENCE
IN
TAMPERE, FINLAND

Tampere University of Technology, Finland



Modules Mapped

NUS MODULE TITLE	PARTNER UNIVERSITY MODULE TITLE
ME3103 - MECHANICAL SYSTEM DESIGN	DEMOLA PROJECT WORKS
ME2142 – FEEDBACK CONTROL SYSTEMS	INTRODUCTION TO CONTROL
ME3661 – TECHNICAL ELECTIVE	SYSTEMS ENGINEERING
ME3661 – TECHNICAL ELECTIVE	COMPOSITES
ME3662 – TECHNICAL ELECTIVE	EXTRUSION
LAX1741 – DEPARTMENT EXCHANGE MODULE	STARTING FINNISH
Total MCs:	26

Accommodation


- Tampere Student Housing Foundation (TOAS)
 - Help students all over Tampere to find student housing
 - 2 or 3 room apartments
 - Choose those of walking distance to your University
 - Get your own room
 - Furnished
 - Covers rent, utilities and internet costs
 - Gym and Sauna Facilities available
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Pros of exchanging in Finland

Pros:

- 4 periods in 1 year
 - ✓ Able to retake exam up to 3 times
 - Admin side is efficient and helpful
 - Subsidised system for students
 - High hygiene conditions
 - Get to do loads of winter activities
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Cons of exchanging in Finland

Cons:


- Extreme weather conditions
 - As low as -35degC
 - 6 hours of daylight
 - Living costs are high
 - Boring daily life
 - Difficult to travel to other countries
 - Need to take train/bus to airport
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Climate

Winter

- From Nov – Feb
 - Average temp: around 0°C
 - Can go as low as -35°C (or even lower?)
 - Snows everyday
 - Pavements and roads are all covered in snow
 - Lakes are mostly frozen
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Tips to surviving Winter in Finland

1. Layer up well!
 - The outer most layer should be waterproof
 2. Avoid bringing iPhones/ Bring lots of portable chargers for your phone
 3. Bringing 1 month worth of heat pack is enough
 4. AVOID buying elevated boots like Timberland
 - YOU MIGHT DIE FROM SLIPPING
 5. Learn how to cook beforehand
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Mandatory Costs (Within Finland)

1. Accommodation:

290 – 340 euros per month

2. Food:

➤ 2.60 euros for canteen meals

➤ 10 – 15 euros for buffets

➤ 10 euros for fastfood

➤ 2 euros for homecooked meal

3. Transport (One way)

➤ 1.4 euros per bus ride (within city)

➤ 15 euros for train ride to Helsinki Airport

➤ 5 euros for bus ride to Helsinki City Centre

Mandatory Costs (Prior to Finland)

4. Residence Permit (Visa)

- 500 SGD / 360 euros

5. Winter Gear

- Approximately 500 SGD

6. Air tickets (One Way)

- 750 SGD (Finnair) - Youth
- Inclusive of two 23kg luggage

Total living expenses from Jan – May:

~ \$9,000 SGD (No travelling included yet)


Finland

- Land of Thousand Lakes
- 187,888 lakes in Finland – 1 lake to 26 people




Travelling within Finland

Rovaniemi, Lapland

- Santa Claus Village
 - Take a train/bus there
 - Read up on the KPI prior going for Northern Lights
 - Many fun activities to do
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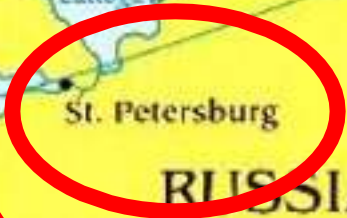


Finnish Culture

- Reindeer Meat
 - Winter dipping + Sauna
 - Conservative Europeans
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Countries visited

- Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Sweden, UK, Netherlands, Poland, Germany, Belgium, France, Austria, Hungary, Italy, Greece.
 - Total exchange duration: 28 Dec – 16 Jun
 - Estimated total expenditure: \$17,000 SGD
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Thank You

