

Student exchange for academic year 2024-2025

Application period for **all destinations**

- 22 January – 5 February 2024

Application periods for **remaining places**

- 4 March – 11 March 2024
- 26 August – 2 September 2024

Today's topics

- Why study abroad?
- How to plan my study abroad period and my studies in a partner institution?
- Which destinations can I choose?
- Who is selected and what are the criteria?
- Application process
- Sources of further information

Why study abroad?

- To complement your studies
- To strengthen your ability to work in a different cultural environment
- To strengthen your professional language skills
- To build up a professional network
- To make friends from around the world

... remember that student exchange is more than travelling!



STEP 1

PLAN YOUR STUDIES

You can be selected, if...



1. You are a degree seeking student and enrolled as present (läsnäoleva) at the time of applying
2. You have progressed normally in your studies according to your PSP (30 ects per semester, max. 120 ects)
3. You have not
 - declined an offered exchange place after earlier application rounds, or
 - cancelled your exchange after accepting the place
4. You meet;
 - Degree programme-specific rules and recommendations (check appropriate time for the Exchange)
 - Special requirements set by a partner institution or Haaga-Helia
 - Haaga-Helia's GPA requirements
5. Student exchange does not prolong your graduation
 - You must complete approximately 30 ECTS credits on exchange
6. You are able to study in the language of tuition



STEP 2

FIND YOUR DESTINATION

Things to consider

1. Personal and cultural motives / interests
2. Study and career related motives
3. Language of tuition

Consider also

- Local culture and your ability to adapt into it
- Health, Special diets (Vegan, Gluten-free etc.)
- Budget
- Time and effort you are willing to invest in the process
- Safety



Remember Google is your friend, Get to know the destinations before applying ☺

Partner institutions

- 200 partner universities around the world
- You may apply for destinations which are open for your degree programme and study level
- Find student exchange destinations and student exchange reports in [MoveON](#)
- Also check out
 - Host institution's website for incoming exchange students
 - Tips from incoming exchange students to Haaga-Helia

Costs

- No tuition fees
 - Exceptions are mentioned clearly in MoveON (destination database)
- Costs a student will be responsible for
 - Extra study related fees (eg. language courses, orientation)
 - Administrative fees
 - IELTS, TOEFL i.e. Language certificates → **only if required**
 - Accommodation (incl. rent, deposit, electricity, water, kitchenware...)
 - Costs for travelling, insurance, visa, residence permit
 - Vaccinations and health certificates
 - Study materials



Funding

- Study grant + housing supplement + government guaranteed student loan from KELA
- Haaga-Helia's student exchange grant
 - Erasmus+ (EU countries)
 - Bilateral (countries outside of EU)
- Your own savings
- Other sources of income and grants
 - Find out on your own





STEP 3

APPLY

Application in MoveON

*This is not a speed
contest!
All applications submitted
by the deadline are
treated equally!*

- MoveON application form is open during each application period
- Before you begin, take your time to **read the instructions** carefully
 - The application doesn't require any attachments or motivation letters
- You can apply for **1-6 host institutions**
 - Make your choices before starting to fill the application
 - **Select only destinations where you want to go to**
 - Put the destinations into **order of preference**
- **Before submitting the form check that the information is correct! You can't make any changes to the application after submitting it!**
- MoveON will generate a PDF-copy of the submitted online application, keep it safe on your device

Choose your destinations wisely!

- **You will only get one offer and it can't be changed**
- If you do not accept the seat offered, or cancel the accepted seat later on, you will not be eligible to apply again to student exchange



GPA requirement

- If you meet the general criteria, selection to destinations is made on the basis of **GPA shown in Peppi** and order of priority
- All studies which are graded in Peppi when the application period closes count towards the GPA
- There are no other criteria for students which would give additional points

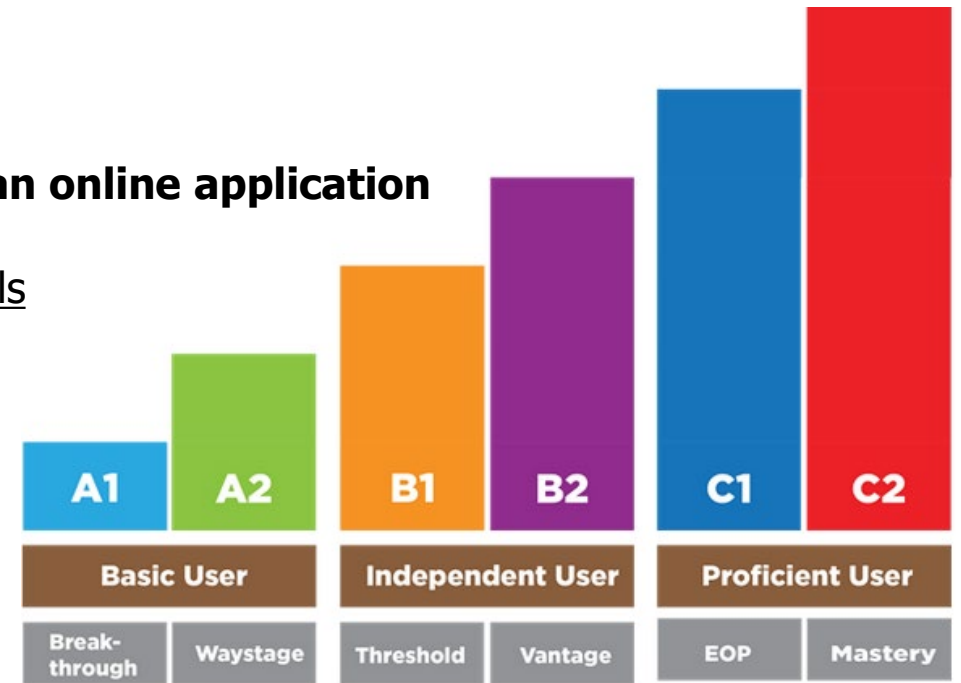
→ **Always check the destination specific GPA requirement from MoveON!**

- 3.0 for most destinations
- 2.5 in some destinations in Europe
- 3.75 in some destinations

Language requirements

Evaluate your skills in **all the required languages** before submitting an online application

- You can use online tests as reference, like [Self-evaluate your language skills](#)
- You can apply [Europass criteria](#) for estimating your level in a language

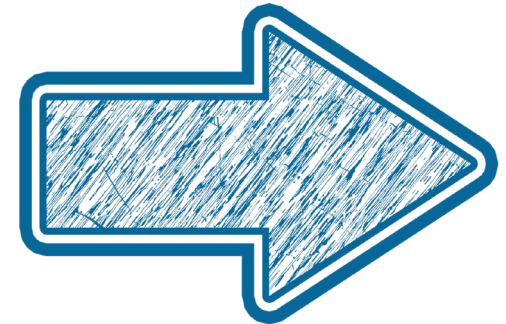


Why is it important to do self-evaluating?

You apply for an Italian partner institution and fail to evaluate your knowledge in Italian, not meeting the language requirements, your application to that institution will not be processed. You need to be able to study in the language of the host institution's studies, to successfully pass the courses.

Application deadlines

- Deadline for submitting your online application on **first application round**
→ **5.2.2023 at 23:59** (local Finnish time)
- Deadline for submitting your online application on **second application round**
→ **11.3.2023 at 23:59** (local Finnish time)
- Deadline for submitting your online application on **third application round**
→ **2.9.2023 at 23:59** (local Finnish time)
- Late or incomplete applications will **not** be processed
- Do not leave it till the last minute!





AFTER APPLYING

Selection results and orientation

- Selections will be published
 - **First** application round → 16.2.2024
 - **Second** application round → 22.3.2024
 - **Third** application round → 13.9.2024
- All applicants will be contacted via email
 - Note that you will receive only **one** offer and it can't be changed!
- Selected students will be invited to compulsory **orientation**



Questions? Ask NOW, and:

Check times for degree programme specific info sessions held on upcoming days:

<https://www.haaga-helia.fi/en/current/events/info-sessions-applying-student-exchange-17-23-january-2024>

Book a meeting with your International Affairs Specialist if needed!

From:

<https://www.haaga-helia.fi/en/contact/international-services>

Learn more about the destinations by browsing the **MoveOn portal!**



International Services

- Application instructions
 - www.haaga-helia.fi/en/go-global, <https://www.haaga-helia.fi/en/study/applying-student-exchange>
- Information on destinations
 - [MoveON](#) (destination database)
- General questions on applying
 - outgoing@haaga-helia.fi
- Host institution and programme/studies specific questions
 - International Affairs Specialist

Feedback

- Please leave us some feedback.
- Giving feedback helps us to develop our services better.
- Link to feedback will also be in the “Thank you for submitting the application” message you receive to your email after submitting the Student Exchange Application.



Good luck with your application!