

FINNORSZÁG (CENTRIA UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES)

Important points :

1)Application :

Students at partner universities are welcome to apply for exchange studies at Centria University of Applied Sciences through the Erasmus+ Programme. Each year we welcome around 70 exchange students to study at our three campuses. Before applying, please, make sure that your university has an active Erasmus+ Agreement with Centria.

How to proceed?

You may apply to come to do your exchange at Centria after being nominated by your home University. Please, be in contact with your Erasmus+ Coordinator at your home University before sending any application forms. Please, note that students applying should certify good knowledge of English or Finnish.

How should I apply?

To apply for exchange studies at Centria, please, collect the following documents:

- Complete the Application form.
- Prepare a Learning Agreement with the courses you are planning to take at Centria. From this link you will find a list of courses offered at Centria to the exchange students: <https://web.centria.fi/applicants/exchange-students/courses-for-exchange-students>
- Provide a Transcript of Records in English.
- Write a Letter of Motivation explaining why you want to study at Centria (max. 1 page).
- Provide an English Language Certificate written by an English language teacher. (Students are recommended to have a **B2 or C1 level**, see the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages Grid.)
- Provide a copy of Passport or National Identity Card.
- Provide a copy of European Health Insurance Card.

Scan all your documents into one PDF file and send it to incoming@centria.fi

When should I apply?

- Deadline for application for Autumn semester 2017 and the Academic Year 2017-2018 is 1 June 2017.(Check the website for dateline changes)
- Deadline for application for Spring semester 2018 is 1 November 2017.(Check the website for dateline changes)

Contact details:

If you have any questions, please, contact the International Coordinators in the programs:

incoming@centria.fi (Business Management, Environmental Chemistry and Technology, Industrial Management, Information Technology)

2.) Arrival and Accommodation :

When you are aware of your date and means of arrival, you should send the following information to the contact person of the degree programme you are starting studies at:

- The date of arrival
- The exact time of arrival

In Finland the working week is five days (from Monday to Friday) and office hours are usually from 8 (9) am. to 4 (5) pm. Please notice this when planning your arrival in Finland, because in case you arrive during the weekend all offices will be closed (student affairs office, banks etc.) and it is not possible to get keys to student apartments either.

TRANSPORTATION TO KOKKOLA

Take the train to Kokkola from Helsinki or Tikkurila (nearer to the Helsinki-Vantaa Airport and there is a train connection between the airport and Tikkurila station). The trains head up north (Oulu, Rovaniemi). Get off at Kokkola station. The trip lasts approx. 5 hours.

It is also possible to get to Kokkola by plane from Helsinki to Kokkola-Pietarsaari airport. The flight lasts about an hour. A bus links the airport and Kokkola.

ACCOMMODATION IN KOKKOLA

Students have to reserve a room from student residence themselves. The apartments have single rooms with shared kitchens and bathrooms. Please remember that the security deposit must be paid before signing the rental agreement. The deposit must be paid in an international bank. IBAN = International Bank Account Number. Use the following information when paying the deposit:

- **IBAN** (= International Bank Account Number): **FI15 5162 0010 0060 08**
- **BIC** (=Bank IdentificationCode): **OKOYFIHH**

Please book the room at the address www.tankkari.fi . You should also notice that the security deposit might correspond even 6 months' rent and it must be paid in advance. Read extra carefully information concerning living in the student residence.

Useful links :

- <https://web.centria.fi/>
- <https://web.centria.fi/applicants/exchange-students>
- <https://web.centria.fi/applicants/exchange-students/application-for-exchange/application-erasmus>
- <https://web.centria.fi/applicants/exchange-students/courses-for-exchange-students> (for courses taught in English)
- <https://web.centria.fi/students/information-for-new-degree-students/arriving-to-centria-uas-and-accomodation>