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UNIVERSITY OF HELSINKI  
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## **EDISO EDUCATION, DIVERSITIES AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

**INTERNATIONAL MASTER'S PROGRAMME**

**HELSINKI.FI/EDISO**



# WELCOME TO THE NORTH

**FINLAND IS MORE THAN SAUNAS AND SNOW, IT'S ALSO HOME TO ONE OF THE WORLD'S TOP UNIVERSITIES.**

There might only be a bit over five million people in Finland, but there is still enough scientific spark to produce one of Europe's leading multi-disciplinary research universities, the University of Helsinki.

## **EDUCATION, DIVERSITIES AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

EDISO (Education, Diversities and Social Justice) is an international research-led programme leading to the degree of Master of Arts (Education). It is aimed at future leaders in the field.

Academically rigorous and creatively stimulating, EDISO is led by Professors Kristiina Brunila and Fred Dervin and hosted by both the Department of Teacher Education (OKL) and the Institute of Behavioural Sciences (IBS) at Finland's leading university, the University of Helsinki, which has been repeatedly ranked among the world's top universities for teaching and research.

The two departments have combined their unique scientific, pedagogical, interdisciplinary and research expertise to produce an international master's programme in education with an emphasis on today's central notions of diversities and social justice. The students are given the opportunity to work with leading academics in this interdisciplinary field.

## **PROGRAMME SPECIFICITIES**

– The programme is full-time over a period of two years and its extent is 120 ECTS.

– The programme is based on the principle of trans-disciplinarity (sociological, political and (inter-)cultural insights of education) and helps students to get multifaceted perspectives on the study of diversities and social justice in education.

– The language of instruction is English but space is given to multilingualism whenever possible to help

international students integrate into Finnish society and global educational sectors. The programme introduces students to lesser-known research literature in languages other than English.

– The programme is taught by multilingual leading academics, with plenty of experience with internationality.

– The programme involves different kinds of activities (lectures, group work, workshops, seminars and symposia). Personalized mentoring is also an important component of the programme.

– Students get an opportunity to study with other Master's degree students and can integrate into existing research groups.

– The programme promotes international mobility during the 2 years of training.



## FEEL HELSINKI

Helsinki is the northernmost urban capital and one of the most livable cities in the world.

You'll get a metropolitan feel but you can still enjoy the cosiness of a small town close to nature. Helsinki is very safe, modern and green city with half a million friendly folks. Everything here

is within easy reach and things work here. With several higher education institutions in the Helsinki area and 60 000 university students, it is well set up to cater the needs of students from all walks of life.



## HOW TO APPLY

The University of Helsinki offers a wide range of International Master's Degree Programmes, taught entirely in English. The scope of our programmes is 120 ECTS credits, completed with two years of fulltime study.

Applicants are required to have good English language skills and a Bachelor's degree in the same or related field of study that they are applying for at the University of Helsinki.

[HELSINKI.FI/EN/STUDYING/HOW-TO-APPLY](https://www.helsinki.fi/en/studying/how-to-apply)

# ON THE WAY TO THE TOP

**IT MAKES SENSE TO STUDY: ESPECIALLY A DEGREE EARNED AT THE REPUTABLE INSTITUTION MAKES SEEKING EMPLOYMENT MUCH EASIER.**

The graduates of the UH have been successful in finding jobs that enables them to use their skills and knowledge acquired during their studies. Study-related work experience and the ability to speak Finnish have proved the most important factors for international students to find employment in Finland after graduation.

## **AFTER GRADUATION**

EDISO graduates may be interested to pursue a career in education governance, education management, planning and educational leadership; internationalization of education; (global) education, multicultural/ intercultural/social justice education; education consulting,

international organizations, and non-governmental organizations, or apply for doctoral studies in a related field.

The University of Helsinki has a dedicated Career Services office, which can guide students in their career planning.



# HEAR THE STUDENTS

**IS IT GOING TO BE WORTH IT? OH YES! 68% OF OUR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS TOOK PART IN THE SURVEY IN 2010 AND NEARLY 90 % RECOMMEND THE STUDY EXPERIENCE AT UH.**

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## **WELCOME TO EDISO!**

*"The EDISO programme is dedicated to teaching, researching and reflecting on today's education. The programme provides the students with conceptual foundations and analytical tools that are required to meet global challenges in the field. The essence of the programme is to challenge the students intellectually and socially to broaden their horizons. I am thrilled by the prospects of the EDISO programme, which will combine world-class research in education sciences, teacher education and learning."*

*Patrik Scheinin*

**DEAN, PROFESSOR**

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# TOP RANKING UNIVERSITY

**1640**

FOUNDED

**700**

MILLION EURO  
BUDGET

**11**

FACULTIES

**6 000**

DEGREES AWARDED  
PER YEAR

**12 000**

SCIENTIFIC  
PUBLICATIONS  
PER YEAR

**8 300**

STAFF

**35 000**

STUDENTS

**200 000**

ALUMNI



FOUNDING MEMBER  
OF THE LEAGUE OF  
EUROPEAN RESEARCH  
UNIVERSITIES

## REACHING FOR THE TOP 50: EXCELLENCE FOR SOCIETY

INTERNATIONAL RANKINGS (2013)

**67**

QS

**73**

SHANGHAI

**103**

TIMES HIGHER  
EDUCATION



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