South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences  Xamk
What is a University of Applied Sciences?

- A university that gives mainly bachelor’s degrees. Professionally oriented, more practical than academic universities.
- In Finland there are 25 UASs, in which 8 fields of study, 40 degrees.
- Graduates are employed as experts, in design, development and leadership positions.
Xamk - Finland's 5th largest UAS

- XAMK is Finland's fifth largest university of applied sciences
- 9000 students and a staff of 750 persons
- 1700 graduates per year
- 60 degree programmes at the bachelor’s level
- 23 degree programmes at the master’s level
Campuses

- Mikkeli
- Savonlinna
- Kouvola
- Kotka
Mikkeli campus
Campus library

Campus lunch

Campus gym

HVAC lab
Beng in ENVIRONNMENTAL ENGINEERING

• Organizes environmental matters
• Manages environmental systems
• Develops technical solution to combat environmental problems
• Manages responsibility issues
• Consults on environmental decisions
• Develops and designs green technology
• Helps in promoting green economy
What is a double degree?

YOU GET TWO DIPLOMAS:

1. A diploma from your home University
2. A diploma from Xamk
   - Bachelor of Engineering, BEng
   - Specializing in Environmental Engineering
DOUBLE DEGREE IN XAMK (240 credits)

1. Credits accepted from your own University (basic studies and relevant branch-specific courses) – 150 credits

2. Courses at XAMK – 45 credits

3. Bachelor’s Thesis – 15 credits

4. Practical Training – 30 credits

Courses at XAMK selected from a set of courses depending on your previous studies (=personal study plan)
THE SCHEDULE

To start in spring applying takes place 15 Sep - 1st Nov 2019

To start in autumn applying will take place 1st April – 15th May

You can start either in spring or in autumn
Prerequisites

• Knowledge of English language (both written and oral, a language test)
• Basic studies at the home university completed and accepted to the Double Degree programme (about 150 ECTS credits)
• Own interest and willingness to specialise in Environmental Engineering!
Laboratory measurements
Measurements in the Laboratory
Group works

Modern teaching methods prepare the students for working life situations.
Tutoring

- Support in finding accommodation and in settling down in Mikkeli
- Individual tutoring during the studies
- Individual tutoring in writing the bachelor’s thesis
- Excursions to companies and buildings sites
Living / Studying in Mikkeli

- Lunch at University 2,60€ (includes whole meal/day)
- Several options for renting apartment
  - Rent 350€ – 500€
- Tuition fee 1500€ (non-EU students)
  - Scholarship 55-ECTS/year → 750€ refund
- Over all everything is a little bit more expensive in Finland 😞
- Everything is close → you may walk or take a bike
Leisure / free time in Mikkeli / Finland

- Cross-country skiing, in Mikkeli area routes ≈ 290 km, you can rent skies
- Downhill skiing
  - Mikkeli area
  - Tahko, Kuopio ≈ 150 km
  - Vuokatti, Sotkamo ≈ 360 km
  - Ruka, Kuusamo ≈ 600 km
- Ice-skating
  - On lakes also
- Bowling
Leisure / free time in Mikkeli / Finland

- Hiking
  - Natural parks
  - Koli ≈ 270 km
  - Kuusamo ≈ 600 km
- Cross-country cycling
- Ferries from Helsinki & Turku
  - To Stockholm
  - To Tallinn, Estonia
Comments by Mikhail and Maria Nikolchak, St. Petersburg
Studied in the Double Degree Programme in 2011 and
graduated in 2012

• Double Degree programme advantages:
  • Two diplomas at the same time
  • European standard bachelor’s diploma (which is nice from employer's point of view)
  • Knowledge and practice that you can hardly get in Russia (or it costs a lot)
  • English language practice
  • Communication with foreign students
Exchange student’s comments about studying in the programme

• Quentin Fritz, Université de Franche-Comté (France)
  – Teachers always available and open-minded
  – Improve your English skills and your autonomy at work
  – Interesting projects and topics
  – University with a lot of equipments and means
  – Discover an enjoyable workplace and the Finnish culture
  – Overall a rewarding experience and an asset for a future career
Kampuksena koko maailma.
Learning unlimited.