



HELSINGIN YLIOPISTON YLIOPPILASKUNTA  
STUDENTKÅREN VID HELSINGFORS UNIVERSITET  
STUDENT UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HELSINKI

## Congratulations, new student!

Welcome to the academic community and the Student Union! All undergraduate students of the University of Helsinki are members of the largest student union in Finland, the Student Union of the University of Helsinki (HYY). Doctoral students can also join the Student Union if they wish to do so. We have a total of approx. 30,000 members.

### **HYY: diverse operations and benefits!**

The Student Union provides its members with several benefits. After you register for attendance you will receive a student calendar and the student paper (Ylioppilaslehti or Studentbladet) delivered to your home twice a month later in the autumn. HYY takes care of students' interest representation in matters relating to subsistence, housing, studies, academic affairs and health care. You can get involved in diverse activities by joining the committees where you can focus on festive and cultural activities, academic affairs or international affairs. It is also advisable to get a Lyyra student card that costs you 16.10 euro. The card can be ordered online at [www.lyyra.fi/eng](http://www.lyyra.fi/eng). Lyyra card entitles you to a discount on a normal-priced student meal in UniCafe student restaurants owned by the Student Union. The card also entitles you to student discount in public transport – you do not need any other student cards. Lyyra also functions as a payment card at the several service points on the campus. At Lyyra's online service, you can charge your Lyyra account and get to know valuable student benefits. Lyyra's online services also provide housing services for students.

### **Plenty of friends in student organisations!**

Over 250 organisations operate within the Student Union. Faculty and subject organisations are the best places to get to know other students in your own field of study. In student nations, you can meet students from various faculties and universities who come from one region in Finland. In the organisations operating within the Student Union, you can participate in poetry, role play, folk dance, wine tasting, films, politics, and curling, among other things.

You can easily continue your music, sports or theatre hobby in the various choirs, orchestras, theatre groups or sports clubs of the Student Union. Or maybe you want to start a completely new hobby. Further information on the organisations is available in the student calendar and HYY's website. HYY helps students with all possible and impossible questions.

Please get to know the Student Union's freshman site at [www.hyy.fi](http://www.hyy.fi) and get in touch if necessary. Have a relaxing summer – see you in the autumn!

Leena Pihlajamäki  
Chair of the HYY Board

Jannica Aalto  
Board Member in charge of tutor affairs

- Pay HYY's membership fee (see the reverse side).
- Order Lyyra student card ([www.lyyra.fi](http://www.lyyra.fi)).
- Find accommodation ([www.lyyra.fi](http://www.lyyra.fi)).
- Get a student-priced travel card for local transport ([www.hsl.fi](http://www.hsl.fi)).
- Get to know your Student Union and our site for freshmen ([www.hyy.fi](http://www.hyy.fi)).
- Remember to rest, exercise and eat well!

- PROGRAMME IN THE AUTUMN  
Opening Carnival, Mon, 5 Sept,  
on Centre Campus, Many various  
events, the student union  
organisations and university  
units present themselves.  
The carnival climaxes with the  
opening party at the Old Student  
House. (Mannerheimintie 3).
- HYY's Newbies Night at  
Pohjanhovi Third Student House,  
28 Sept., Incredible party for all  
freshmen, music and programme!