CHECKLIST FOR STUDENTS OF FINNISH

- Registering for a course is a commitment. You agree to participate regularly in the course and to do your best as a student.
- The course offers you the opportunity to receive support and to learn together with other students. Take responsibility for both your own and your group’s learning.
- Set realistic goals. Language proficiency develops slowly, you have to learn to walk before you can run.
- Reserve time for homework as well as classes. Intensive courses (104 lessons) require at least 140 hours of independent study, other courses (48 lessons) at least 70 hours.
- Take advantage of all possible environments and resources that can help you learn Finnish:
  - the teacher, classes, teaching materials, assignments, other students
  - contact with Finnish speakers face-to-face or online
  - word processor; the Internet
  - television, radio, movies, theatre, music
  - newspapers and magazines, literature
  - the surrounding linguistic environment as a whole.
- Put it all into practice at once!
- Remember that play, creativity, humour and learning go hand in hand.