

# OLS 2024 results: How are our students doing?

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#### Schedule

- 13-13.30 OLS results 2024 Heikki Helppi & Aino Elomäki
- 13.30 Results from feedback surveys to recent graduates Annikka Nurkka
- 13.40 Results from alumni feedback, a.k.a. Career monitoring survey Elina Hannikainen-Himanen, Ida-Maria Volturi
- 13.50 Results from course feedback surveys Annikka Nurkka
- 13.55 Awarding the teacher of the year 2023 Jaana Sandström
- 14.55 Ending the session Heikki

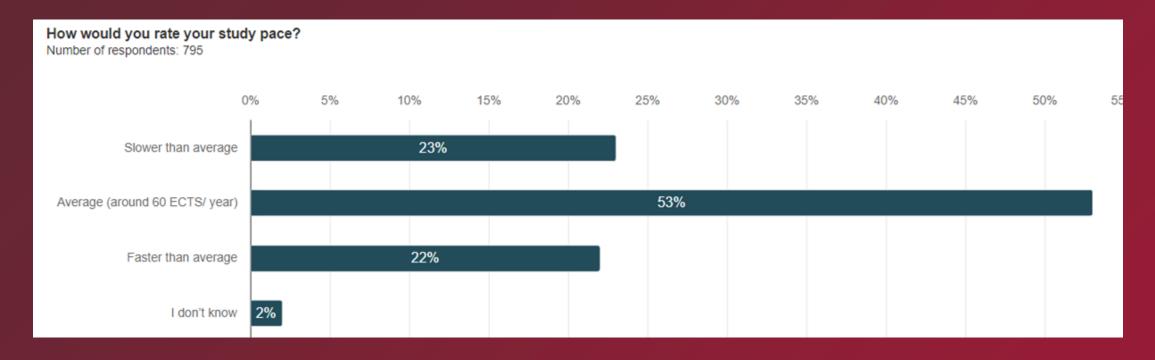


### Quick statistics to start off with

- Total of 802 answers to the survey
- 52% Bachelor's, 46% Master's students
- 81% LPR, 11% LTI
- Nationality: 82% Finland, 4% EU or EEA, 14% other
- 55% 20-24 year olds, 20% 25-29
- Quite a few changes to the structure this year



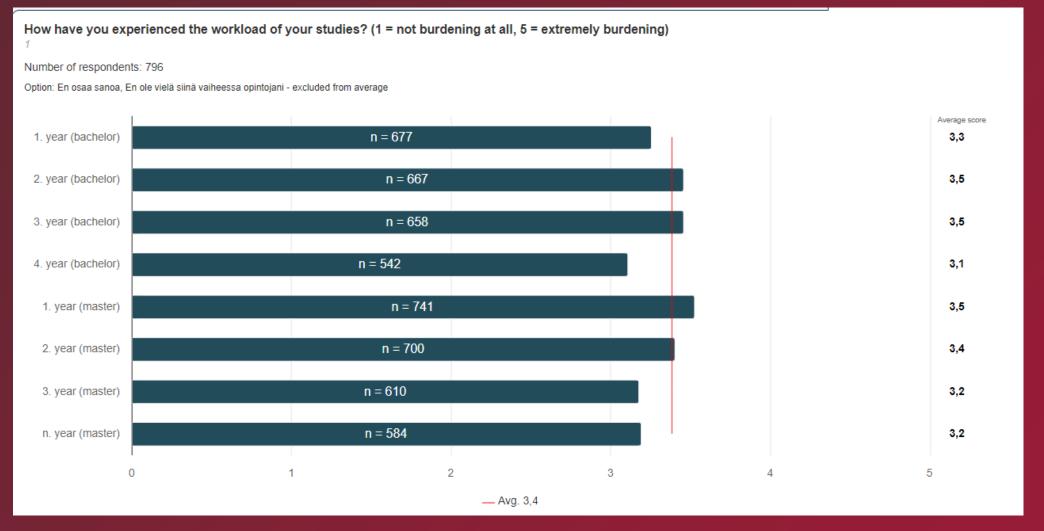
### Study pace



- LES 25% slower, 54% average, 19% faster
- LENS 24%, 50%, 24%
- LBS 20%, 53%, 26%
- KV 11%, 42%, 45%

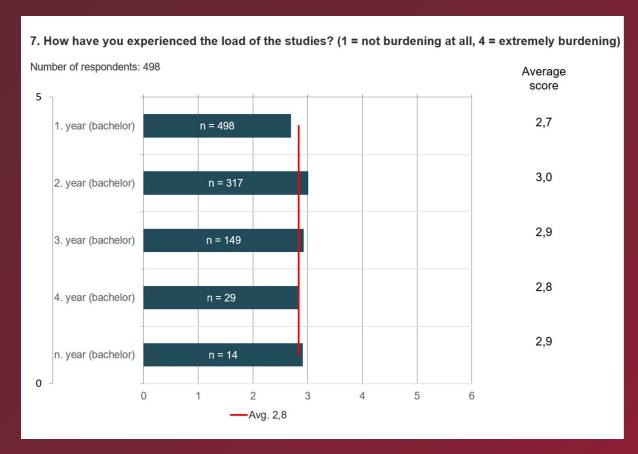


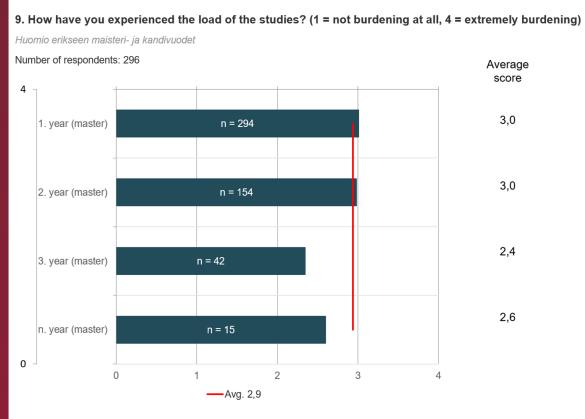
### Experienced workload of studies 2024





### Load of studies (2023)







### Factors that affect the pace of studies

- Teacher's lack of guidance and
- teaching skills (#1 result for the past four years)
- Inflexibility of assessment methods
- Inadequacy of study materials (Moodle, course literature,



 More flexible methods clearly aid the progress of studies (hybrid learning, electronic exams at the local campus, etc.)



### Things that are going well (1/2)

Current group working facilities are high-quality, but we need more of them.

The accessibility of the campus is perceived to be mostly good.

When asked if students have received support, most answered that they either received enough help or haven't needed it.



### Things that are going well (2/2)

- Most agree with the following statements
  - Study culture at LUT encourages you to study (3.8/5)
  - Volunteering in student activities is useful (3.8/5)
  - There is no internal competition between LUT students (3.7/5)
  - I have received enough information about what constitutes academic fraud
     (4.1/5)
- The functionality of electronic systems at LUT received a high overall grade (4.0/5)
  - Especially course feedbacks and Moodle received high marks
- 94 % have not faced inappropriate conduct



# Well-being



### Studies & wellbeing

- 63 % feels inspired by their studies (answers 4&5)
- 62 % believes to graduate on normative duration (answers 4&5)
- 21 % has considered dropping out or changing majors (answers 4&5)
- 44 % tells that study pressure causes problems in other areas of life (answers 4&5)



### Overall trends in well-being



Fewer students are worried about their mental health often or all the time

2024: 27 % vs. 2023: 49 %

Fewer students are lonely often or all the time

2024: 15 % vs. 2023: 24 %

## International students are doing worse

Issues with finances, mental health, sleep, social anxiety, loneliness

Affect both studies&wellbeing

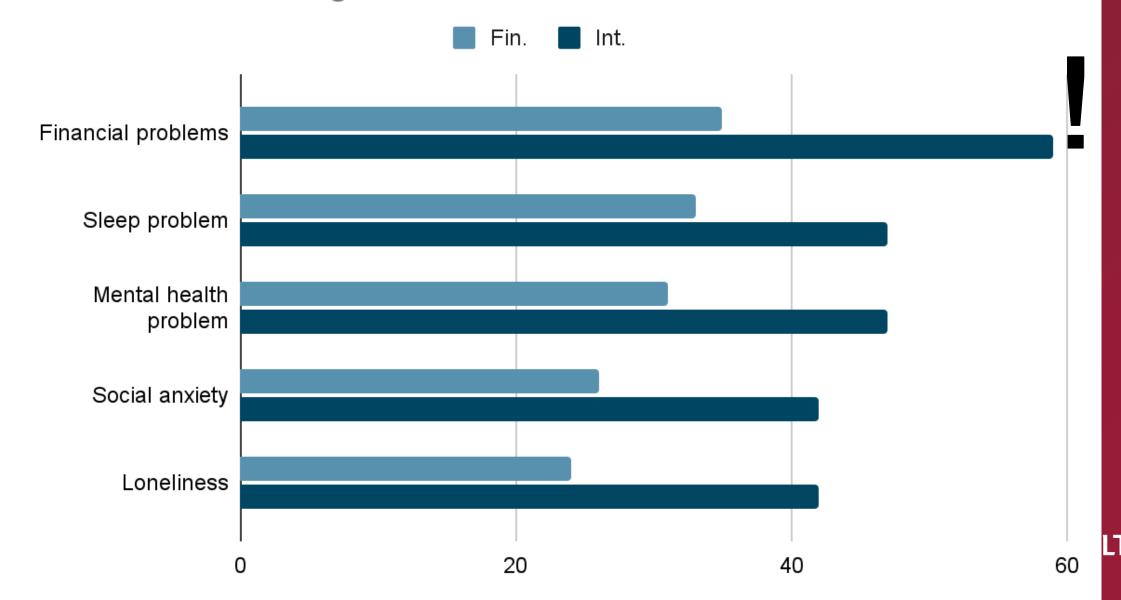
Financial issues are on the rise affect wellbeing and studies greatly



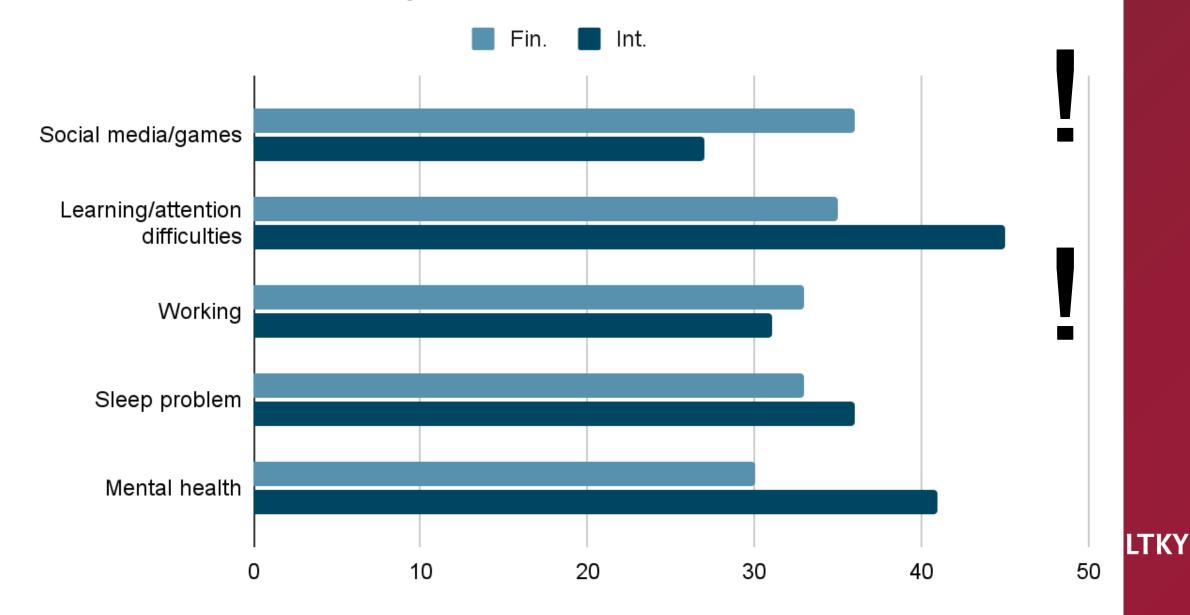
"I do not own a laptop"



### Weakens well-being



### Makes it harder to study



### 3 most common problems:

- 1. Sleep
- 2. Mental health
- 3. Finances

Affect both well-being and studies





#### What is behind all this?

"I had a really hard class last autumn. It took a great toll on my mental health. After that I could not attend events any more and distanced myself from friends. Now I feel really lonely"

fragile situations

Heavy workload can be hard to combine with other aspects of life





### Belonging to a group

59 % feel like they belong to a study-related group

53 % has mainly Finnish friends

19 % has both Finnish and international friends

20 % has no friends from university

If a student does not make friends in the beginning of studies, they might get left out

"This is the first school in my whole life where I feel like I belong to a community and people remember my name"





### Student's wishes

- More resources to FSHS
- More well-being services e.g. study psychologists, more marketing of the services
- Integrating international students better
- More support to international Bachelor's programs (study advisors, teacher tutors)
- Safe space principles
- Bigger gym space for MOVEO
- More group and study rooms on campuses
- Clear instructions on how to use AI



### Big themes for the next academic year

 International students are facing lot of troubles in all areas: mental health, integrating, friends, jobs, finances
 -> how do we answer this?

 Educating teaching staff and assistants on how to create a safe learning environment + how to take into account different types of students

 Loneliness and financial issues are common - do we need a professional to help students with these?





### BSC AND MSC GRADUATE FEEDBACK 2023

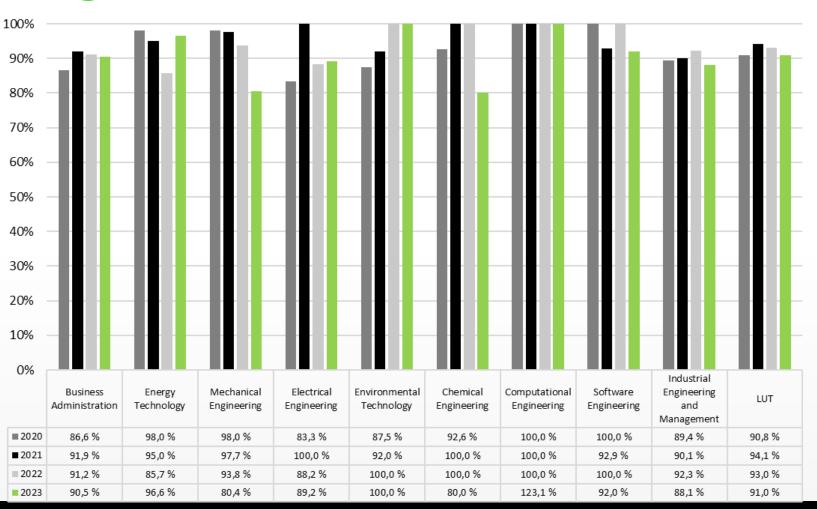
Bachelor's graduate survey in cooperation with Ministry of Education and Culture

Master's graduate surveys in cooperation with Suomen Ekonomit and TEK

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# Response rate 2020-24 by Degree Programmes





Total number of respondents at LUT 2023:

Kati 133

Ente 56

Kote 37

Säte 33

Ymte 36

Kete 20

Late 16

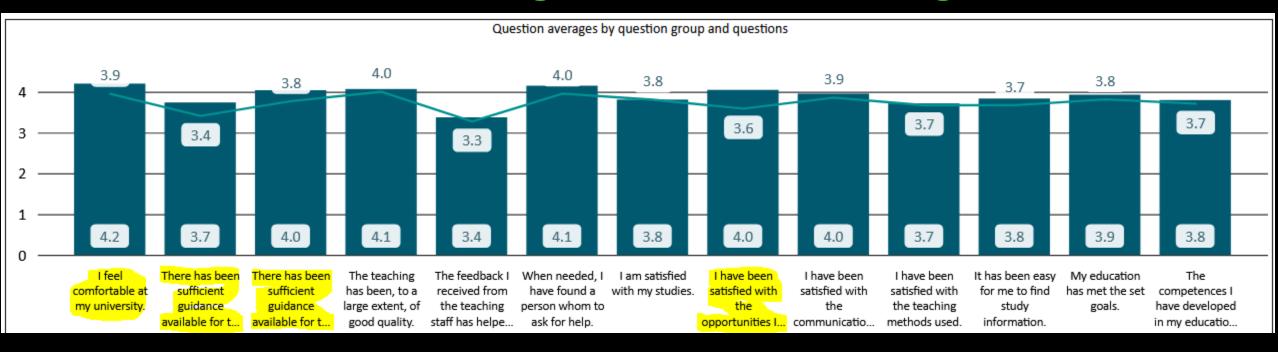
Tite 23

Tuta 74

**LUT 428** 



# BSc graduate feedback 2023, source <u>www.vipunen.fi</u> column: LUT average, line: national average



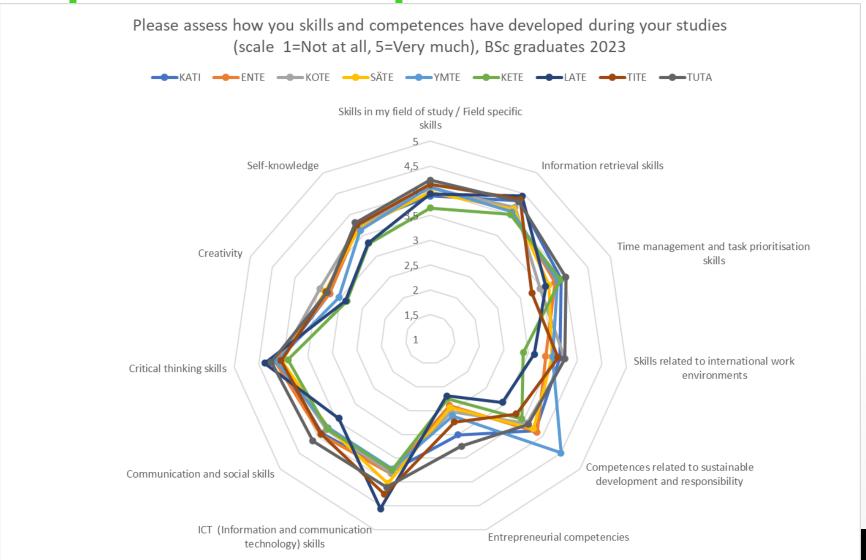
Guidance for organisation of studies

Guidance for BSc thesis

Opportunities to influence and participate

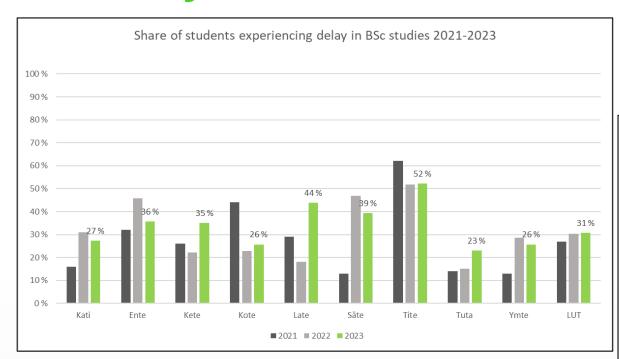


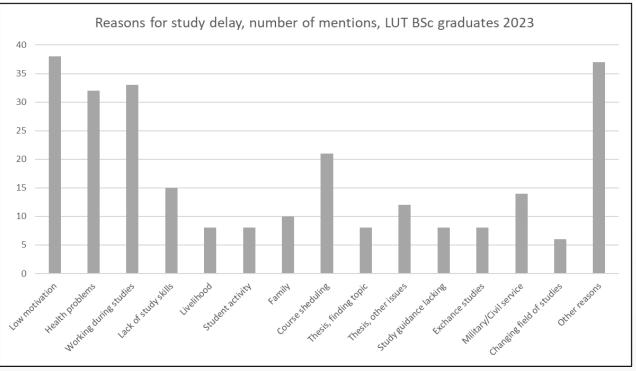
### **Development of competences 2023**





### Delay in BSc studies 2021-23







### **MSC GRADUATE FEEDBACK 2023**

LUT indicators for quality of education by Graduate surveys in cooperation with

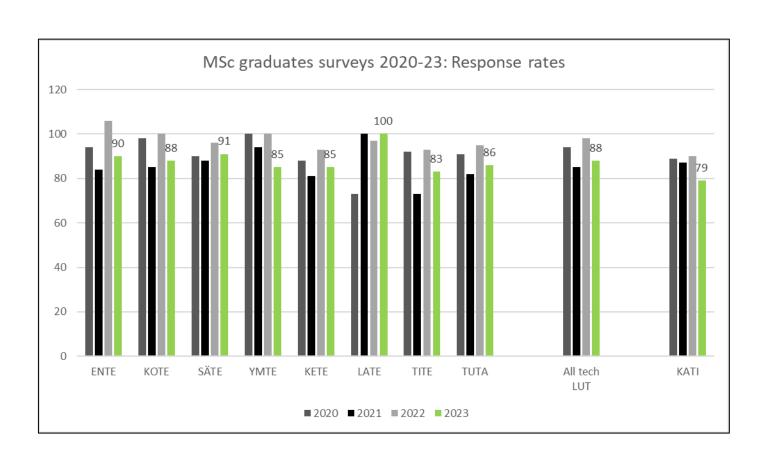
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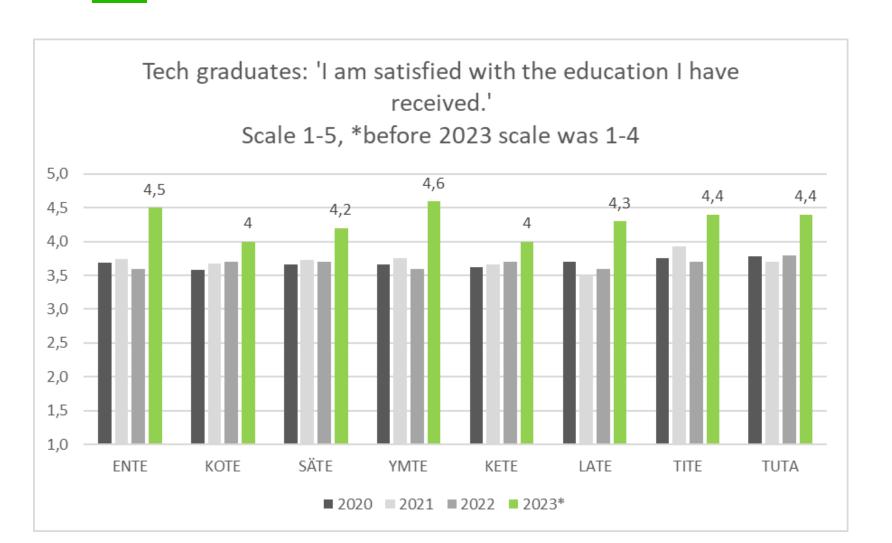
### RESPONSE RATES IN MSC GRADUATE SURVEYS

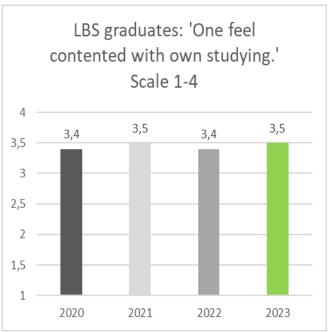


Response numbers 2023	
ENTE KOTE SÄTE YMTE KETE LATE TITE TUTA	107 88 52 58 39 31 49 163
KATI	209



### SATISFACTION WITH THE EDUCATION

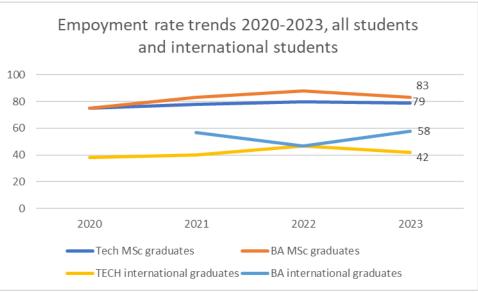






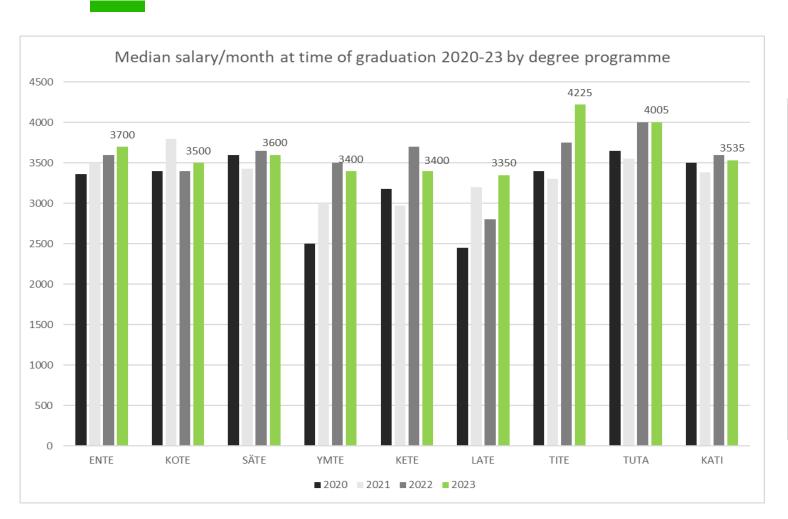
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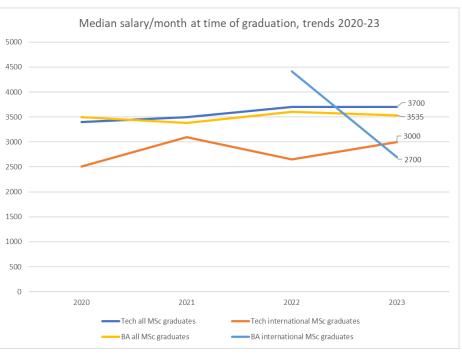






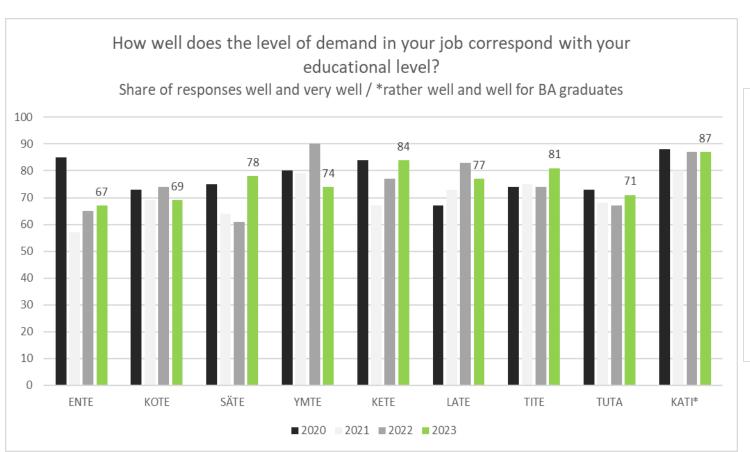
### SALARY AT TIME OF GRADUATION, IF EMPLOYED

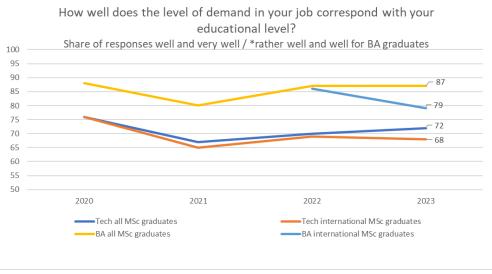






### **CORRESPONDENCE OF WORK AND EDUCATION**







### **CAREER MONITORING SURVEY 2023**

- >> 2018 graduates 5 years from graduation
- >> LUT n=244, response rate 38 % (ALL 44 %)
- >> 79 % Finnish and 21 % other nationalities
- >> 70 % DI and 30 % KTM



### **EMPLOYMENT SITUATION**

- >> 93 % employed, 2 % entrepreneur, 1 % unemployed and 4 % other
- >> 54 % in expert positions and 21 % in superior or senor management positions
- >> 62 % in large companies and 21 % for SMEs

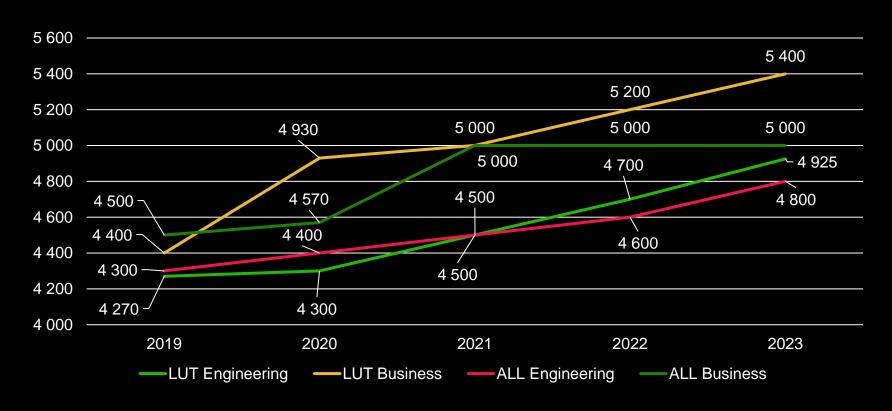


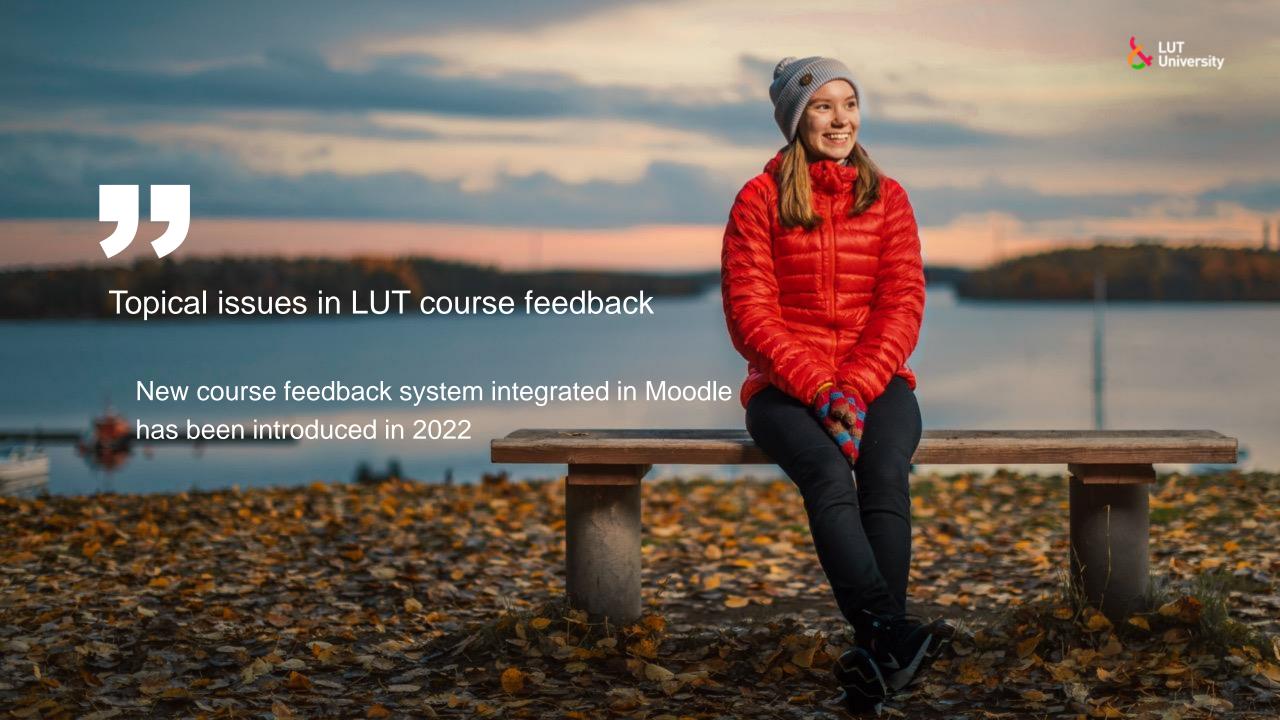
### **STATEMENTS**

- >> Would recommend studies to others 5,1 (4,8)
- >> Employers value the degree 4,9 (5,0)
- >> Overall satisfaction with the degree 4,9 (4,7)
- >> Overall satisfaction with the career so far 4,8 (4,7)
- >> Correspondance of requirements in current job 4,7 (4,7)
- >> Studies equipped sufficiently for the working life 4,5 (4,1)
- >> Can use the knowledge and skills developed in degree in the current position 4,5 (4,6)
- >> Intended learning outcomes were clearly presented 4,4 (4,3)
- >> Entrepreneurship was presented as a career option 3,8 (2,7)



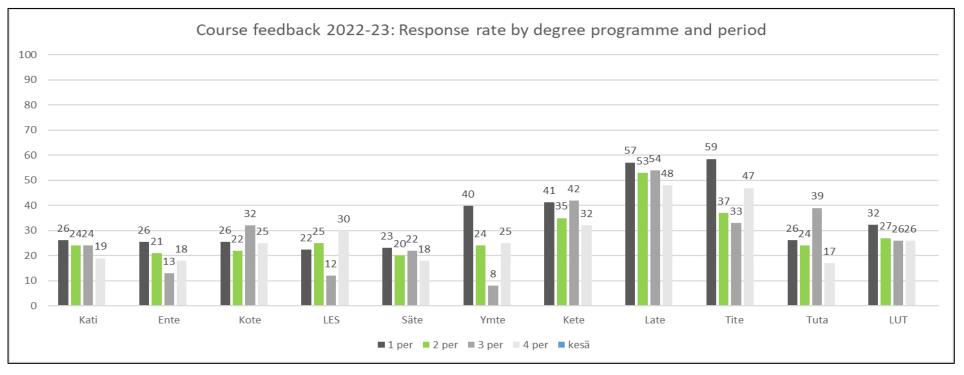
### **GROSS SALARY (MEDIAN)**

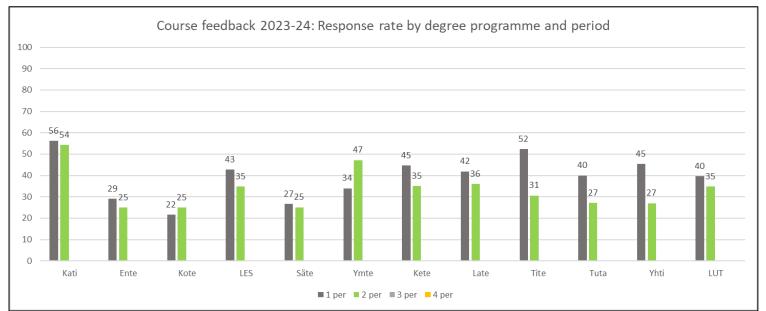




#### COURSE FEEDBACK RESPONSE RATE

2022-23 2023-24

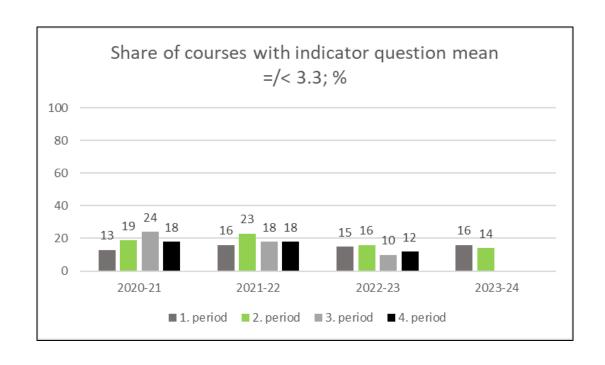


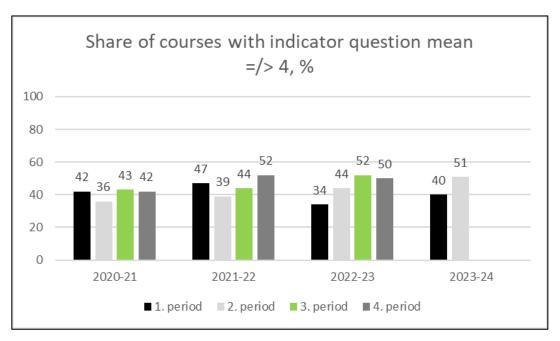


Additional points on course grading 2023-24:
Kati, LES, Ymte, Kete, Tite.

### QUALITY LEVEL OF COURSES

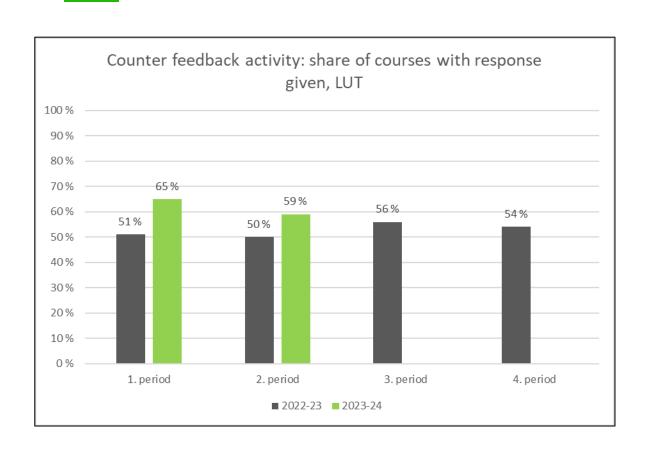






### COUNTER FEEDBACK ACTIVITY





#### Utilisation of feedback will continue

- in degree programmes guild meetings
- in annual degree programmes quality workshops
- in annual MSc graduate feedback events by TEK and SE
- in the LUT management committee meeting, Autumn 2024





### ...WILL BE AWARDED TO

### **Argyro Almpanopoulou**

and the course

Qualitative Research in Social Sciences