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# INTERNATIONAL TUTORING INFO SESSION

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Tutee/newcomer =  
new student

# INTERNATIONAL TUTORING @ LUT

- » All students and trainees at LUT University are allocated a tutor who is a student at LUT. The student peer tutor will help newcomers familiarise themselves with their new environment and university life.
- » For international students, the role of the peer tutor is even bigger. They need a lot of information and help concerning Finnish society and culture as well.
  
- LUT has over 3000 starting spots for the year 2026 – majority of them international
  - Master's degree students in English programmes (incl. also Finnish students)
  - Bachelor's degree students in English programmes (incl. also Finnish students)
  - Degree students in Finnish programmes
  - Exchange students
  
- Student can become either a degree tutor (master's/bachelor's) or an exchange tutor.

# WHAT IS A GOOD TUTOR LIKE?

- Note: No two tutors are alike and there is no stereotypical “good tutor”!
- Still, there are some skills and qualities we highlight:
  - Good communication skills
  - Problem solving skills
  - **Positive and open can do –attitude!**
  - Reliable
  - Patient
  - Flexible and prepared to use the time needed.

Remember, that tutoring students is not meant to be a round-the-clock job: you are not supposed to be their girlfriend or boyfriend, mother, chauffeur or housekeeper. You should simply help them get settled when they arrive and be there when they need you – and when it is convenient for you.



# WHY TO BECOME A TUTOR?

## » Tutoring:

- Financial reward (tutoring payment 150 € per tutor + 25 € per international student in the group, 10 € per Finnish student in the group (max payment for 10 students in a group)
- Credits 3 ECTS (when tutoring for the first time and completing the course)
- Certificate of tutoring job (done if requested)

But also:

- Good experience of leading a group
- New friends and new networks
- ONCE IN A LIFE TIME EXPERIENCE!

## » Especially international tutoring:

- If you are applying for student exchange; you will get a bonus from being an international tutor
- A good way to practice language skills (not only English)
- If you are planning to go abroad for student exchange; students from the school/country you are interested in are the best experts
- If you have been abroad as an exchange student; there might be students coming from the same school/country

# TUTOR TRAINING AND SCHEDULE IN 2026

## SPRING 2026, 4<sup>TH</sup> PERIOD (FOR NEW TUTORS)

- » Tutor training course: *International Student's Peer Tutoring* (for new tutors)
- » 10.4. First Tutor Training at 13-17 (in 2310)
- » Study program related training (approx. 2 hours) ... (depending on the study program, TBA)
- » Tutor Camp on 20.-21.4. or 22.-23.4.
- » Intercultural lecture on 28.4. at 14-18 (in YO-auditorium)
- » Tutoring plan and tutoring exam (In Moodle) during April/May.

## AUTUMN 2026 (FOR ALL INTERNATIONAL TUTORS)

- » Contacting your tutoring group in August
- » Training session "Getting ready for new students" 21.8.26 at 16-19
- » Welcoming your tutees at their apartment
- » Participating in orientation week 25.-28.8. with tutees
- » Tutoring your group whole semester
  - Themed weeks of tutoring
- » Final report of tutoring in November
- » Answering tutoring feedback questionnaire in November

If all the course and tutoring requirements are fulfilled, the tutor will receive 3 ECTS for elective studies in the end of autumn semester (**new tutors**) and a tutor payment (**all tutors**)

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# EXPERIENCED INTERNATIONAL TUTOR

Luka Grasic



# TO BE A TUTOR OR NOT TO BE







# Who am I

3rd year bachelor student in Mechanical engineering

Previous tutor for KRK

President of ESN Lappeenranta

Student ambassador



# WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A TUTOR

- The responsibilities of a tutor: guidance, care, teamwork, communication, setting boundaries, having fun, representing LUT
- The privilege of a tutor: seeing new students, helping them have a good and easier time, imparting your knowledge
- What kind of tutor do you want to be: kind and caring, strict, relaxed etc.



## GOOD TO REMEMBER

- Application period until 8.2
- **Apply by filling in the online application**
- Possible interviews after the application period during weeks 8-11.
- All candidates are informed if they are selected or not by the end of week 11.



# FAQ

## »» I study at open university; can I apply to become a tutor?

- Yes, you can, but you need to be a degree student when the autumn semester starts.

## »» I can't attend all the trainings; can I still be chosen as a tutor?

- We prefer tutors that can attend all the trainings. If the study program you apply to is short of tutors, you can be chosen even if you can't participate all the trainings. Tutor will have to compensate lost trainings with assignments.

## »» I am planning to become a fresher captain of my guild; can I be a FC and a tutor at the same time?

- You can, but acting in both roles is quite a heavy task. We recommend you choose only one. If you get chosen as a tutor and then a FC, you can give up the role of a tutor or other way around.

## »» What if my credits change/all my credits aren't on Sisu when I apply?

- It doesn't matter. The number of credits isn't the main criteria when choosing tutors. The number of credits tell us whether you are going forward with your studies or not and you can specify it in the tutoring interview.

# FAQ

- »» What if I get chosen but have to withdraw due to serious reasons?
  - In case tutor is unable to tutor, this needs to be informed to tutoring secretary and study programme (study advisor!) as soon as possible.
  
- »» Do tutors attend the orientation in person?
  - Absolutely. Tutoring in LUT is in person-tutoring and tutors will attend the whole orientation week in person.
  
- »» How long does tutoring last?
  - Tutor training takes place in spring 2026 and tutoring itself begins in August and continues until the end of the semester.





## Contact persons

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## TUTOR POP-UP!

Do you still have questions or want to discuss tutoring with the tutoring secretary?

➤➤ Come to meet the tutoring secretary at **Street Café on Wednesday 4.2 at 13.00-14.00**

# APPLY NOW !

