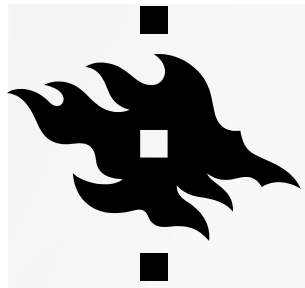


COURSE ASSISTANT PROGRAMME FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (1-4 ECTS)

Assist in courses of your native language (or in English)!

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WHAT IS THIS PROGRAMME ABOUT?

- Language learning, teaching, sharing cultures, meeting other (Finnish) students
- International students as native peers for local students learning their language
- Possibility to participate in
 - Language Centre courses & workshops
 - A collaboration with high schools in Helsinki



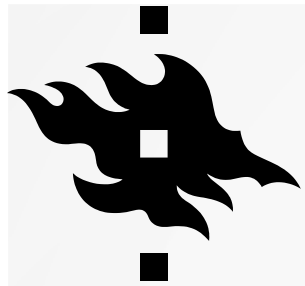


FOR WHOM?

All international students at the University of Helsinki (both degree and exchange students) with one of the following native languages and an interest in language teaching and learning:

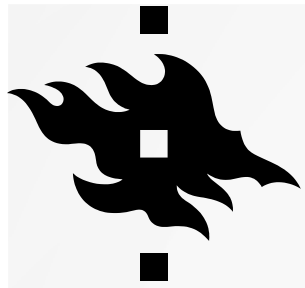
Arabic, Chinese, Danish, English*, French, German, Italian, Icelandic, Japanese, Korean, Norwegian, Spanish, Swedish or Russian

NB: you can assist in English if it is not your native language, but you need to be at least on C1 (advanced) level



GOALS OF THE PROGRAMME

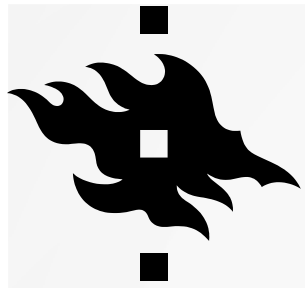
- **Integrating international students** (you!) into the University community
- Giving you the opportunity to **meet local students**
- Bringing an **international atmosphere** to the classroom
- Bringing **new aspects** to language teaching and learning



WHAT ROLES DOES AN ASSISTANT HAVE?

1. Language Centre courses
 - Assist LC teachers in classes
2. Language Centre workshops
 - Hosting a language table
 - Discussing different topics related to culture
3. High school collaboration
 - Visit a Finnish high school!
 - Learn about the education system
 - Share your experiences as an international student, living abroad, etc.





EXAMPLES OF ACTIVITIES

- Pronunciation clinics
- Help in group work
- Organizing conversation classes
- Giving presentations about your home culture
- Discussing videos with students
- Helping in written exercises
- Teaching spoken language to students
- Or other language-related activities...





WHY BECOME AN ASSISTANT?

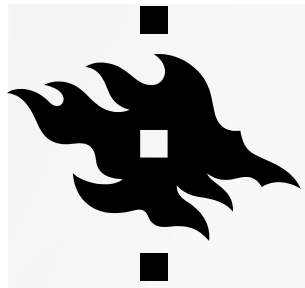
It's a fun way to meet new people and earn credits!

You receive

- 1-4 ECTS credits for the programme
- Certificate of completion

And you

- Get to know your native language in a different way
- Practice presentation, group work and cooperation skills
- Go "behind the scenes" in language teaching, meet LC teachers, staff, and high school teachers



THE BEST PART OF BEING A COURSE ASSISTANT IS...

Helping Finnish people learn German! I just enjoyed hearing from Finnish people about their own culture and views.

It is very nice to see students trying their best to learn the language.

I had to study my home country and its legacies myself, which I took for granted for long time. It was fun but more importantly I've got to know how to respect and listen to other's thoughts through conversations

Being friends with Finnish students! :) And being some help and also being helped.

Transmit knowledge, answer questions, speak, understand new cultures



APPLYING AND MORE INFO

- Attend the info session on 9 September – check your email!
 - More detailed explanation of the programme
 - Possibility to meet the teachers!
 - Sign up by 7 September
- Apply to the programme before 14.9, 23:59 [via the CAP autumn 2021 application form!](#)
- There is no need to register before tomorrow in Sisu!
- Find the [Course Assistant Programme in the Instructions for Students](#)
- Questions & comments: merijn.vanbruggen@helsinki.fi