



# TURKU POLYTECHNIC

**The Turku Polytechnic provides the widest range of programmes in the field of Arts and Media in Finland. Each of the four-year programmes: Communication and Media Arts, Fine Arts, Performing Arts and Music consist of a number of specialisation options. In addition to these programmes, there are supplementary and extended educational courses related to the art fields.**

A central and significant feature of the programmes is their multi-disciplinary structure. This structure allows vital interaction between different subjects and presents an enormous creative potential for the cross-fertilisation of ideas between the different programmes. Visiting lecturers act as collaborative motivations and facilitate the personal creative development of students' work. Visiting lecturers also contribute to the Turku Polytechnic's need to diversify its already well-established international, cultural and educational relations, which is a response to the growing competitiveness of the European educational scene.

The Turku Polytechnic Arts and Media is presently extending its international links which already include networks in many European countries. This educational strategy presents great potential for the development of an international perspective for the students and teachers. For international students lectures are offered in English in cooperation with other programmes in the Turku Polytechnic.

The Turku Polytechnic offers competitive qualifications for international careers not only in the field of Arts and Media but also in Business and Services, Fisheries and Environmental Care, Health Care and Technology.



*New Arts and Media education premises*

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# VENTSPILS COLLEGE

**The Ventspils College is a higher educational establishment founded by the government in 1997. The college provides academic education and professional training, and awards the academic degree of Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) specialising in Finance Management, Marketing Management, Accounting and Auditing, and Logistics, as well as professional qualifications in translation from English/German to Latvian/Russian.**

In the credit point system, 1 credit point is defined as a workload of one-week full-time studies. One full-time study year thus is around 40 credit points in the BBA study programme and around 50 credit points in the two Translation Studies programmes.



Duration of both BBA degree and professional qualification programmes is 4 academic years. Bachelor studies result in obtaining the first academic degree. Professional studies result in obtaining a professional diploma of translator/interpreter. Having 80 points for academic study courses, give an opportunity to the diploma-holders for admission to Master studies in any other relevant higher educational establishment.

The Ventspils College has three departments: Management Studies, Translation Studies and Informatics and Distance Education Sector – in the process of formation. At present only full-time studies are available. Number of students is 212, number of full-time staff is 27.

Management Studies Department. The BBA programme consists of three parts. Part A comprises compulsory profile courses, Part B comprises courses of obligatory choice depending on specialisation and Part C comprises courses of free choice. Study training is organised in summer months after second and third years. Students graduate after passing the BBA State Examination and defending BBA thesis.

Translation Studies Department. The programmes of Translation Studies consist of 2 parts: compulsory subjects and optional subjects. Study training is organised in term 7 at domestic and foreign companies or at foreign higher educational establishments. Graduation examinations are taken in term 8 and Qualification Paper is written under supervision of a staff member or an expert from Latvia or abroad.



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