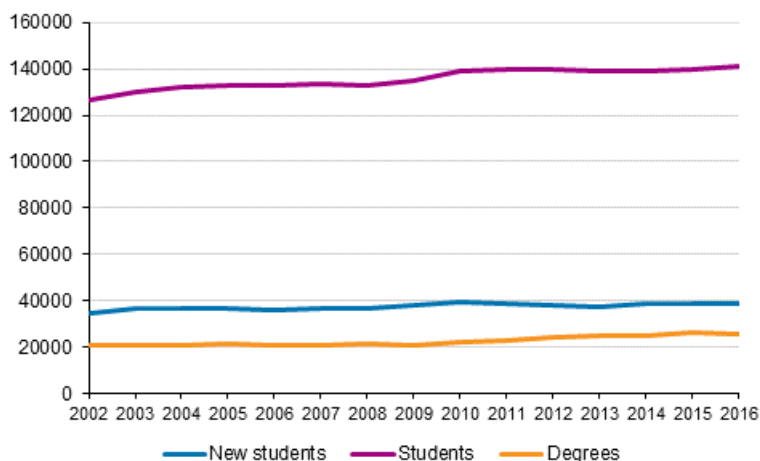


University of applied sciences education 2016

Education leading to a higher university of applied sciences degree has increased

According to Statistics Finland's Education Statistics, nearly 130,000 students attended education leading to a university of applied sciences degree and 11,000 students education leading to a higher university of applied sciences degree in 2016. The number of university of applied sciences degrees completed was 23,200 and that of higher university of applied sciences degrees 2,500. The number of students in education leading to a higher university of applied sciences degree grew by eight per cent and the number of degrees by six per cent.

Students and completed degrees in university of applied sciences in 2002 to 2016



Every fifth studied in multiform education

It has been possible to study for a university of applied sciences degree in education arranged as daytime or multiform studies from 2015 onwards. In 2016 a total of 105,100 students studied in daytime programmes and 24,700 in multiform programmes.

Fifty-two per cent of the students attending education leading to a university of applied sciences degree and 65 per cent of the students attending education leading to a higher university of applied sciences degree were women.

At 30 per cent of all students, there were most students in education leading to a university of applied sciences degree in the female-dominated field of health and welfare. In all, 84 per cent of them were women. The field of engineering, manufacturing and construction was the second biggest, where 24 per cent of students were studying. The third biggest was the field of business, administration and law, where around one-fifth of university of applied sciences students were studying.

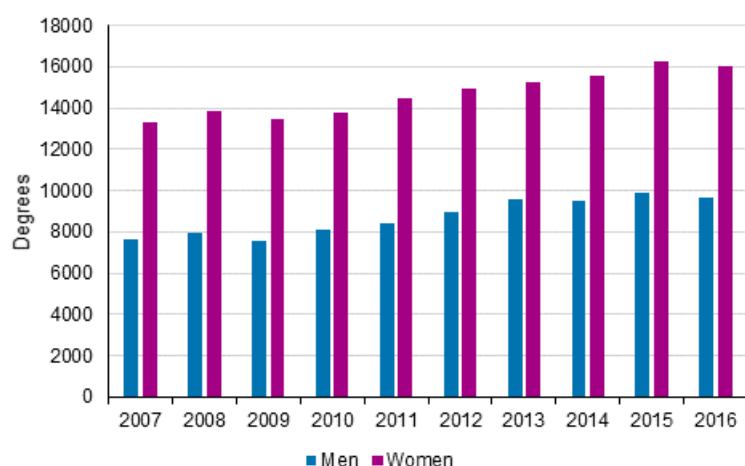
The number of students was highest in education leading to a higher university of applied sciences degree in the field of health and welfare, one-third of all students. Every fourth student studied in the field of business, administration and law and every fifth student in the field of engineering, manufacturing and construction.

The number of students was highest at Helsinki Metropolia University of Applied Sciences, 16,600, and the second highest at Haaga-Helia University of Applied Sciences, 10,400. The next most students were studying at Tampere and Turku Universities of Applied Sciences, over 9,500 in both. The smallest universities of applied sciences were Åland University of Applied Sciences, which had 563 students, and the Police University College with 565 students.

Women completed good 60 per cent of all degrees

Of university of applied sciences degrees, most degrees were completed in the field of health and welfare, 34 per cent. Eighty-eight per cent of them were completed by women. The second most degrees were completed in the field of business, administration and law, 21 per cent. Good two-thirds of these degrees were completed by women. The number of degrees completed was the third highest, 20 per cent, in the field of engineering, manufacturing and construction. Of them, four out of five were completed by men. Sixty-two per cent of all university of applied sciences degrees were completed by women.

Completed university of applied sciences degrees from 2007 to 2016



The number of higher university of applied sciences degrees completed was highest in the field of health and welfare, 38 per cent, and the second highest in the field of business, administration and law, 23 per cent. Women completed 69 per cent of all higher university of applied sciences degrees.

The highest number of degrees was attained at Helsinki Metropolia University of Applied Sciences, nearly 3,000, and the lowest at the Police University College, 75, and at Åland University of Applied Sciences,

77. More detailed time series data on university of applied sciences students and degrees according to education and university of applied sciences, for example, are available in the [tables in databases](#).

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Year	Temporary universities of applied sciences	Permanent universities of applied sciences	New students		Total number of students		Completed qualifications and degrees	
			Total	Of whom women	Total	Of whom women	Total	Of whom women
1995	22	..	10 540	5 380	31 557	15 890	1 638	1 120
1996	19	9	18 153	9 795	42 722	21 912	4 580	2 539
1997	15	16	27 493	14 969	62 258	33 094	5 956	3 385
1998	13	21	31 887	18 210	82 211	44 841	6 971	4 178
1999	8	25	33 149	18 786	100 783	55 488	9 890	6 361
2000	1	30	33 562	19 159	114 020	62 700	14 178	9 159
2001	1	30	33 001	18 801	118 013	65 123	18 045	11 631
2002	1	30	34 691	18 913	126 767	67 838	20 462	13 074
2003	..	31	36 701	20 221	129 875	69 245	20 588	13 008
2004	..	31	36 483	20 542	131 919	70 890	20 821	13 000
2005	..	31	36 911	20 859	132 783	71 910	21 397	13 429
2006	..	31	36 276	20 221	132 560	71 951	21 006	13 361
2007	..	30	36 632	20 348	133 284	72 607	20 969	13 323
2008	..	28	36 999	20 954	132 501	72 560	21 812	13 854
2009	..	28	38 197	20 937	135 033	73 217	21 039	13 450
2010	..	27	39 454	21 729	138 852	74 986	21 899	13 774
2011	..	27	38 839	21 199	139 857	74 936	22 898	14 505
2012	..	27	38 300	21 643	139 876	75 271	23 914	14 973
2013	..	27	37 511	20 976	138 880	74 715	24 833	15 262
2014	..	26	38 574	21 376	138 719	74 499	25 002	15 530
2015	..	26	38 671	21 448	139 727	74 695	26 175	16 244
2016	..	26	38 598	21 005	140 792	74 641	25 713	16 040

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