THE FEDERATION OF EDUCATION IN JOKILAAKSOT

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JEDU
The Federation of Education in Jokilaakso
In this brochure you will find the study programmes of our vocational colleges in Haapajärvi, Haapavesi, Kalajoki, Nivala, Oulainen, Piippola and Ylivieska, as well as how to study, how to find accommodation and how to spend your spare time.

The studies in the vocational colleges take about three years. The study qualifications also give you a general opportunity for getting further education, e.g. in vocational colleges, universities of applied sciences and universities. Students also have the possibility of taking the Matriculation examination.

**On-the-job-learning**

The studies contain on-the-job learning which enables the students to develop their knowledge, skills and abilities at working places. The on-the-job learning can be carried out in several periods and in several working places.

**Competence based qualifications**

Competence-based qualifications provide a flexible way to enhance and maintain the students’ vocational skills. Representatives in the world of work and business life play an important role in planning, implementing and assessing competence-based qualifications.

Vocational skills are demonstrated in competence tests irrespective of whether the skills were acquired through work experience, study or other activities. Candidates must demonstrate certain skills required in the profession in order to complete a competence-based qualification. Vocational modules are defined in collaboration with representatives of business life and are directly based on real-life work tasks.

Students will be given all the support, advice and guidance they need to succeed in vocational studies. We also support the students in lifelong learning to build their skills and knowledge throughout their lives.

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Strategy

We pride in our reputation and our close connections with the local communities, schools and businesses. Our mission is to be well known, modern and innovative.

Our main task is to organize multidisciplinary vocational education and to meet the changing needs of Finnish industry. The graduates will work actively in the society.

Values

- **Responsibility**
  - to know the development and competence of our region
  - to work qualitatively and collectively
  - to develop our work according to sustainable development policies
  - to appreciate basic vocational know-how, entrepreneurship and lifelong learning

- **Openness**
  - to work in an atmosphere of openness and encouragement
  - to promote reliability

Sub-strategies

- Human resources strategy
- Pedagogical strategy
- International strategy
- Marketing and communication strategy
- Quality strategy
- Strategy for education in prisons
Facts about JEDU

- about 4000 students aged 16 ->
- personnel about 480
- seven vocational colleges
  - Haapajärvi Vocational College
  - Haapavesi Vocational College
  - Kalajoki Vocational College
  - Nivala Vocational College
  - Oulainen Vocational College
  - Piippola Vocational and Cultural College
  - Ylivieska Vocational College
- Adult Education and Apprenticeship Training Centre

The diploma requires about 2,5 - 3,0 years (180 competence points) and provides entrance qualifications for colleges of higher education. The training program is versatile, flexible and extensive.
Haapajärvi is a rural town situated by the lake of Haapajärvi and the river of Kalajoki. It is a commercial centre with strong mechanical wood processing industry and modern agriculture specialized in milk production. The population of Haapajärvi is 7800.

Haapajärvi Vocational College is a multifield college with modern facilities. It has 320 students in two departments: business and administration department and agricultural and forestry department.

The Adult Education and Development Centre offers education in vocational qualifications and short courses for hundreds of adult people and organize rural development projects. The college is also involved in extensive international cooperation and projects.

The school farm is specialized in milk production, automation and bioenergy. The school farm consists of 90 ha fields and 250 ha forests and has modern agricultural machines and a new cowshed with modern technology like milking robots, automatic feeders, a biogas plant, wood chip-fuelled combined heat and power plant (CHP) and a biodiesel plant. The GHP plant is based on wood gasification technology.

Gas produced of cow manure and wood chips is used in the cars of the college and in heating the school buildings. Biodiesel made of rapeoil is used in the cars and the tractors of the college.

The VMS Training Centre of Finland with the newest models of milking robots is situated in the school farm. The horse stable and the manege of the college are located near the trotting area and offer good opportunities for equine students.

The college has also modern harvesters and forwarders by which the forestry students learn the cut-to-length method as well as energy wood harvesting in forests own by the college, private forest owners or the state.

There is modern IT-technology available in the college and exhibitions organized by the college and the students. The business students will become specialists in customer services, marketing and business administration and IT-students in IT-technology and marketing.

The agricultural students for example will go on farming in their farms of their own or work as rural entrepreneurs, holiday substitutes for the farmers or workers in the dairy or horse farms or in agricultural companies. The forest
students take care of the forests, multi-purpose of the forests and the nature and work in different jobs in wood harvesting and forest nature.

STUDY PROGRAMMES

Vocational Qualification In Business And Administration

Study Programme in Customer Services and Sales
Study Programme in Business Administration and Office Services

Vocational Qualification In Information Technology
Study Programme in the Support of Use

Vocational Qualification In Agriculture
Study Programme in Farming and Rural Entrepreneurship and Equine Studies

Vocational Qualification In Forestry
Study programme in forestry

ACCOMMODATION
The agricultural and forestry students have an opportunity to live in a dormitory near the college without any costs. Also breakfast, lunch and dinner are served without charge. The students of Business and Administration department can apply the student apartments of Haapajärven Vuokratalot Oy. The dormitory is located at the school campus.

SPARE TIME
Haapajärvi is a town surrounded by pure nature with lakes and rivers. It offers versatile possibilities for physical exercise and culture need. You can spend your free time at exercise halls, swimming and bowling hall, library, cinema and theatre.

The outdoor recreation areas with jogging, riding, snowmobile and skiing tracks are well cared. There are sports, Finnish baseball and football fields and ice hockey and skating hall and rinks. The indoor riding hall with horse stables offers good riding possibilities.

It is also possible to study at the Open college and Northern Ostrobothnia Summer University.

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Haapavesi is situated in Oulu south area in Oulu Province. Haapavesi Vocational College is a multifield vocational college with about 500 students. Haapavesi Vocational College has two departments in different locations: Technical Department and Service and Nature Department.

**TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT:**

**Vocational Qualification in Vehicle Technology, Vehicle Mechanic**

Study Programme in Vehicle Technology

Vehicle Mechanic works at automotive dealerships or accessory shops, repair shops or service stations in servicing, maintenance and repair as well as in customer service.

**Vocational Qualification in Electrical Engineering, ICT-mechanic, Electrician**

Study Programme in Information and Communications Technology

Study Programme in Electrical Engineering and Energy Technology

ICT-mechanic works at installation and implementation on computer and telecommunication devices, service, maintenances and sales. Electrician works in installation, servicing and production assignments within electronics production, information technology and telecommunications.

**Vocational Qualification in Metalwork and Machinery, Mechanical Fitter, Plater-welder**

Study Programme in Manufacturing Technology

Mechanical Fitter works on installation and service of automatic devices in different factories as well as builds and assembles devices in industry. Machinist works in metalwork and machinery assignments, such as turning, drilling, grinding and milling work. Plater-welder works particular in metalwork and machinery assignments involving plate work and welding.

**Vocational Qualification in Wood Processing, Joiner**

Study Programme in Joinery

Joiner works in positions in the joinery and construction industries or as independent craftspeople repairing and making furniture and other wooden products.

**Vocational Qualification in Construction, Builder**

Study Programme in Construction

Builder works on construction sites building and fixing one-family houses, block of flats or office buildings. Builder does different work operations from groundwork to decoration and finishing.
SERVICE AND NATURE DEPARTMENT (NORA):

**Vocational Qualification in Household and Cleaning Services**
Study Programme in Cleaning Services, Site Facilities Operative
Study Programme in Household Services, Home Care Operative
Site Facilities Operative works on maintenance and basic cleaning and catering tasks. Studies are focusing on sustainable development and ecology. She/he works at cleaning companies, social and health care departments, hotels, factories and other premises. Home Care Operative works on cleaning, cooking and textile maintenance. She/he also helps customers in daily activities. Studies include basic information on entrepreneurship and sustainable development.

**Vocational Qualification in the Tourism Industry, Tourism Activities Organiser**
Study Programme in Tourism Activities
Tourism Activities Organiser can specialize in horse-riding tours, nature guiding or hunting and fishing. She/he organizes activity based experiences for tourists and companies. Tourism Activities Organiser can work in different kinds of tourism organizations, holiday villages and all the other travel companies.

**Vocational Qualification in Horticulture, Gardener**
Study Programme in Horticulture
Gardener grows clean, healthy and high quality vegetables and other garden plants. She/he can work as an entrepreneur or in greenhouses, in different plantations or in garden shops or maintenance tasks of green areas.

**Vocational Qualification in Natural and Environmental Protection, Nature Instructor**
Study Programme in Nature-based Services
Nature instructor works on tourism companies for example offering guided walking or for example riding tours in nature.

**Vocational Qualification in Hotel, Restaurant and Catering Services**
Study Programme in Cookery, Cook
Study Programme in Customer Services, Waiter
Cook works on food production in different kinds of restaurants. The work includes making orders, storage, preparing and serving the food. Waiter works on customer service in different restaurants. The work includes taking orders, serving, sales and taking care of billing.

**OTHER POSSIBILITIES:**
It is also possible to study in Home economics training (30 competence points). The student will be advised to independent, environment-friendly life and capabilities for future studies. Studying includes e.g. cooking, baking, cleaning, textile care and decoration. Preparatory and rehabilitative training is meant
for students who need special help due to invalidity or some other reason. Training gives advices for independent life and for real work.

IMMIGRANTS
There are approximately 30 foreign and immigrant students in Haapavesi Vocational College. All applicants have to pass a language test. The college has a history of foreign students and it has developed systems to help foreign students to settle down in new school system and new country.

ACCOMMODATION AND SPARE TIME
Students are able to live in student dormitories. One is located at the centre of Haapavesi and the other is next to NORA. There are lots of spare time opportunities all around Haapavesi. Haapavesi city has sports and swimming hall, ice hockey arena and sports field. In addition to this there is an adult education centre offering a variety of different courses. Furthermore Haapavesi is known for its musical traditions.

STUDENT SERVICES
The purpose of student services is to assure the wellbeing of students. Student health care is organized by Helmi (Health care centre of Haapavesi) and the nurse is available weekly in both departments.

There is also a student curator who helps solving all kinds of problems concerning studying or private life.

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Kalajoki, located on the northern reaches of Gulf of Bothnia, is a dynamic town of 12,000 people, well known for its superb sandy beaches. For students, Kalajoki offers a wide choice of leisure activities, from special courses to sport.

**STUDY PROGRAMMES**

The College has two study programs: Technology and Culture and tourism. In the College there are also study programmes exclusively for adults: e.g. interior design consultant programme.

**Vocational Qualification in Metalwork and Machinery, Mechanical Fitter, Plater-welder**

Study Programme in Manufacturing Technology

Mechanical Fitter works on installation and service of automatic devices in different factories as well as builds and assembles devices in industry. Machinist works in metalwork and machinery assignments, such as turning, drilling, grinding and milling work. Plater-welder works particular in metalwork and machinery assignments involving plate work and welding.

**Vocational Qualification in Wood Processing, Joiner**

Study Programme in Joinery

Joiner works in positions in the joinery and construction industries or as independent craftspeople repairing and making furniture and other wooden products.

**Vocational Qualification in Construction, Builder**

Study Programme in Construction

Builder works on construction sites building and fixing one-family houses, block of flats or office buildings. Builder does different work operations from groundwork to decoration and finishing.

**KALAJOKI VOCATIONAL COLLEGE**

Culture and tourism with study programs in interior design, arts, crafts, design and tourism

The manufacturing process, from concepts, product development, design and material choices to ready products, including marketing and sales, are all included in the course.

Artisan’s work is based on the traditions of old craftsmen using modern techniques. A true artisan is creative, has good manual skills and
a good command of form, color, space and proportion and an individual sense of style.

Our Interior Designer studies include courses taken in both the vocational school and upper secondary school, resulting in students being awarded two diplomas. In the College there are also study programmes exclusively for adults: e.g. interior design consultant programme.

Vocational Qualification in Tourism
If you have good interaction and language skills you should apply for this training. In addition to accommodation and catering services they provide programs which involve nature, culture, health services, recreation and physical exercise.

The unit of tourism also has a study programme for those who want to become travel agents, desk clerks or work for transportation agencies. A number of the courses are held completely in English. The graduated students are qualified to work at hotels, travel agencies, traffic companies and other companies in travel industry. Students of travel industry have an option of 4 – 8 competence points of art, crafts and design studies.

ACCOMMODATION AND STUDENT SERVICES
The students who are far away from home are able to live in our student dormitories.

One is located within the school campus and the other, a smaller one is in the centre of Kalajoki about 2 km from the school. Student health care is organised by the health care of Kalajoki and the nurse is available once in a week. We also have student curator services.
Nivala Vocational College offers education in two towns, Nivala and Pyhäjärvi. Nivala Vocational College is a multifield vocational college with about 800 students. All courses are taught in Finnish.

STUDY PROGRAMMES

Vocational Qualification in Vehicle Technology, Vehicle Mechanic
Study Programme in Vehicle Technology
Vehicle Mechanics work at automotive dealerships or accessory shops, repair shops or service stations in servicing, maintenance and repair and customer service. They may also be employed in the automotive industry or enterprises that manufacture special vehicles or vehicle body structures.

Vocational Qualification in Logistics, Driver
Study Programme in Transportation Services
Drivers work as drivers of vehicles and as assistants in different logistics transportation assignments. They are familiar with the structure of the vehicle and are able to load, handle and service the vehicle correctly.

Vocational Qualification in Metalwork and Machinery, Machinist and Plater-welder
Study Programme in Manufacturing Technology
Machinists work in metalwork and machinery assignments, such as turning and milling work. Plater-welders work in particular in those metalwork and machinery assignments that involve plate work and welding. They may also specialize in sheet-metal engineering technology.

Vocational Qualification in Building Maintenance Technology, Pipe fitter
Study Programme in Plumbing
Pipe fitters work on construction sites or within properties as pipe fitters. They know the basics of building maintenance technology and of their chosen specialization area, e.g. how to fit piping, weld pipes and fit heating and plumbing systems.

ICT-Technicians work in installation, servicing and production assignments within electronics production, information technology and telecommunications. The work may also include maintenance of consumer electronics and customer service.

Vocational Qualification in Electrical and Automation Engineering, Electrician
Study Programme in Electrical and Automation Engineering
Electricians work in installation, maintenance and repair assignments, in energy production, transfer and supply assignments as well as in the electrical engineering industry and enterprises.

Vocational Qualification in Information and Telecommunications Technology
Electronics Assembler, ICT-Technician
Study Programme in Electronics and Telecommunications Technology
Vocational Qualification in Construction, Builder and Infrastructure Builder
Study Programme in Construction
Builders work on construction sites as carpenters, masons, tilers, concrete workers, steel fixers or construction workers. Infrastructure builders work on house-building or public building sites, in yard construction, soil transport, asphalting and hydraulic engineering and earthwork.

Vocational Qualification in Wood Processing, Joiner
Study Programme in Joinery
Joiners work in positions in the joinery and construction industries or as independent craftspeople repairing and making furniture and other wooden products.

Vocational Qualification in Hairdressing, Hairdresser
Study Programme in Hairdressing
Hairdressers work as hairdressers and barbers and in sales, consulting and training positions either as employees or as independent entrepreneurs.

Vocational Qualification in Beauty Care, Beauty Therapist
Study Programme in Beauty Care
Beauty therapists work in establishments providing different cosmetic treatments as well as in sales and marketing, as independent self-employed people or as employees.

Vocational Qualification in Crafts and Design, Artisan
Study Programme in Textiles and Clothing Design and Production Artisans can specialize either as clothing artisans or handicraft instructors. Clothing artisans work in production assignments as craftspeople, self-employed or as employees, and in practical work assignments in design, repairs and restoration, guidance and counseling or customer services and marketing.

Handicraft Instructors work in institutions, sheltered workshops, in the field of recreational activities, or as independent entrepreneurs.

Vocational Qualification in Hotel, Restaurant and Catering Services
Study Programme in Cookery, Cook, Waiter or Receptionist
Cooks work in cooking, storage, pre-processing and customer service assignments in restaurants, catering business, institutional kitchens etc. according to their area of specialization. Waiters work in customer services selling and serving food and beverages.
Preparatory Education for Vocational Education
The purpose of preparatory education is to give students knowledge of educational alternatives, different professions and working life, and to strengthen the skills required in vocational studies.

ACCOMMODATION AND SPARE TIME
The school has a student dormitory in Nivala. The flats have three furnished single or double rooms with a toilet and a shower as well as shared kitchen. The students are offered good opportunities to spend their free time.

In Nivala physical exercise facilities are excellent: swimming hall, ice skating hall, football and baseball fields etc. The outdoor recreation areas are well cared for, and the school’s exercise and gym halls have plenty of modern equipment available for students. There are also numerous clubs for hobbies to fulfill the students’ needs.

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Oulainen is situated in the province of Oulu and is part of the Northern Ostrobothnia region. The population of Oulainen is over 8000.

Oulainen Vocational College is a progressive, broadly based college that offers a wide range of education, different courses and opportunities. At the college it is possible for you to study academic subjects which are curriculum based and where the final assessment evolves around practical tasks, skills demonstration, given at the end of your education. Our college offers inclusive, quality education for both young and adult learners. There are over 600 students currently studying at Oulainen Vocational College.

Our college is actively involved in extensive co-operation abroad, involving many international partners, and providing the possibility of work placements, within a foreign work environment, for our students. We are involved in many international projects. Internationalisation and international co-operation is incorporated within the college’s daily life. Oulainen Vocational College wants to further develop and encourage this high-quality, friendly international learning environment.

**STUDY PROGRAMMES**

**Vocational Qualification in Information Communication and Technology**
Study Programme in the Support of Use

**Vocational Qualification in Business and Administration**
Study Programme in Customer Services and Sales
Study Programme in Business Administration and Office Services

**Vocational Qualification in Hotel, Restaurant and Catering Services**
Study Programme in Cookery, Cook
Study Programme in Customer Services, Waiter, Waitress

**Vocational Qualification in Household and Cleaning Services**
Study Programme in Household Services, Housekeeper

**Vocational Qualification in Social and Health Care, Practical Nurse**
The studies for practical nurse take three years. The studies of the first two years consist of comprehensive vocational studies. After that you study a year taking educational programme studies according to your own
choice. During the studies you can study at varied on-the-job learning places in homes and institutional surroundings. On-the-job learning is also possible in a foreign country.

### Study Programme in
- Emergency Care
- Rehabilitation
- Care and Education for Children and Young People
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Welfare Work
- Nursing and Care
- Care for the Disabled
- Care for the Elderly
- Customer Services and Information Management

### SPARE TIME
In Oulainen you can find many opportunities to spend your free time. Music activities are of high standard, both nationally and internationally. Physical exercise facilities are modern and diverse. There is a swimming hall, an ice skating rink and a sports hall. The outdoor recreation areas are well cared for.

There is also a cinema in town. In addition, you can take up many kinds of hobbies and studies at the civic institute. There is an active student body in every unit, which welcomes all the students.

### ACCOMMODATION
The students of Oulainen Vocational College can live in a hall of residence owned by an estate agency of Oulainen.

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Piippola is based in the middle of Finland, in the area of Siikalatva municipality. Piippola Vocational and Cultural College has a long tradition for arts and trades as well as for audiovisual field.

The College offers a pleasant, supportive, international and modern technology learning environment. At the college, we have around 250 students in our facility, and we also teach about 130 students in six prisons, located around Northern Finland. At the college, we have over 65 hardworking people in our staff.

Vocational Qualification in Crafts and Design, Artisan

Design Assistance. Students require both practical and co-operative skills to work with other designers. A design assistant prepares models of different materials for product design, architecture and exhibitions. Facilities include product designing, planning with the help of computer and learning 3D model making. A design Assistant works a wide range of careers. Some choose to continue their study at universities, while others go directly into employment.

Interior Design. Students will learn to enhance the function, safety, and aesthetics of interior spaces. The students will explore a multitude of creative techniques such as wallpapering, painting, tiling, assembling windows and doors and molding.

Handicraft Instruction. These studies consist of guidance, graphical expression and entrepreneurship as well as different kinds of arts and crafts techniques. The training programme is extensive, flexible and versatile. This education is for adults, and will be executed as a competence-based qualifications education.

Vocational Qualification in Wood Processing, Joiner

Study Programme in Joinery

Joiners work in positions in the joinery and construction industries or as independent craftspeople repairing and making furniture and other wooden products.

Vocational Qualification in Audiovisual Communications and Media-assistance

Students will learn to develop their design skills using Photoshop, computer graphics and other software programmes, and will also immerse themselves in animation, pho-
tographing and filming. During their study students will work moderately with different kinds of practical works. This field gives students the opportunity to work e.g. in advertising companies, film making or as a freelancer.

Preparatory Education, A Start for Vocational Education (30 - 60 competence points)
The purpose of preparatory education is to give students knowledge of educational alternatives, different professions and working life, and to strengthen the skills required in vocational studies.

Handicrafts
The Special Needs Education Department gives instruction for those pupils with sensory disabilities, medical care and/or rehabilitation. These students are given various forms of help, the nature of which is determined according to their special needs.

The aim of this department is to give the students opportunities, possibilities and premises to work and independent living. This education is possible also for other Adult students, who are considering to retrain themselves.

Prison education
Piippola College offers both educational and rehabilitative training in six prisons in Finland; Kestilä, Pelso, Oulu, Laukaa, Sukeva and Pyhäselkä. The education will carry out in co-operation with each prison’s staff.

SERVICES FOR STUDENTS
In our college there are both young and adult students. Every member of staff at Piippola College has student welfare as their priority, and all lectures, tutors, counselors and six tutorial support workers are helping in whatever way they can.

ACCOMMODATION AND SPARE TIME
Students can live nearby the college in row-houses, free of charge, or they can also rent an apartment.
We have a wide variety of hobbies e.g., gym, recreational facilities like karaoke, watching films or playing pool.

Piippola is located within vast, beautiful and clean woodlands, which provide many possibilities to explore nature and relax.

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The town of Ylivieska serves as the administrative centre for the Kalajokilaakso and Pyhäjokilaakso river valleys, an area with about 90,000 inhabitants. Ylivieska is also a commercial centre in the Oulu South region. The population is about 15,000.

Ylivieska Vocational College has about 450 students and 40 members of staff. It offers two vocational degree programmes providing education for future practical nurses and media assistants.

Ylivieska Vocational College also has an adult education department offering education in various fields.

STUDY PROGRAMMES

Vocational Qualification in Social and Health Care, Practical Nurse

The goal of the practical nursing studies is to give versatile information about the social and health care field for basic care work that demands theoretical background knowledge as well as the mastery of various instruments, nursing skills and methods.

Compulsory modules:
- Support and Guidance of Growth
- Nursing and Care
- Rehabilitation support

Optional modules:
- Children's and Youth Care and Education
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Welfare Work
- Nursing and Care
- Care for the Disabled
- Care for the Elderly

The degree programme includes 57 competence points of on-the-job learning taking place in e.g. day care centres, elderly people's homes, health centres and service homes. It is also possible to carry out the on-the-job learning abroad.

Vocational Qualification in Audiovisual Communications, Media Assistant

The goal of the audiovisual communications degree is to give an introduction to the tasks of a media assistant. Every student will be acquainted with basic theoretical background to different areas of the audiovisual field - image, light, video, graphic and sound technologies as well as media education - before entering specialized studies.
**Compulsory modules:**
Audiovisual production

**Optional modules:**
Graphic and web production
Sound and event technology and production

The degree programme includes 30 competence points of on-the-job learning, part of which can be done abroad.

**ADULT EDUCATION**

Ylivieska Vocational College has a department of adult education specializing in diverse fields such as customer service, catering, family day care and cleaning services (institutional cleaners, cleaning supervisors and cleaning technicians) as well as re-employment training.

These courses are offered in the forms of basic qualifications (usually 2-3 years), further vocational qualifications (usually about 1 year; aimed at students who already have another degree and/or some work experience) and specialized vocational qualifications (aimed at students who already have a degree and wish to specialize further in their fields of expertise).

Shorter courses include training for a hygiene passport (required by many enterprises in the hotel, restaurant and catering business) and for obtaining licenses to serve alcohol.

**IMMIGRANTS AND INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Ylivieska Vocational College offers education for immigrants in the forms of preparatory education training them to be eligible for vocational degree programmes, as well as language and integration courses. Student and expert exchanges as well as international projects with various countries and continents promote the internalization of the college.

**ACCOMMODATION AND SPARE TIME**

The accommodation possibilities in Ylivieska are good. Apartments can be inquired from Ylivieskan Vuokra-asunnot Oy.

The possibilities to spend your free time in town are excellent: there are gyms, sports fields and halls, an ice rink, a swimming pool, two libraries, the cultural centre Akustiikka, a community college offering various evening courses, and the Northern Ostrobothnia Summer University.

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Adult Education and Apprenticeship Training Centre offers adult education and apprenticeship training services to develop the region’s commercial and industrial life.

We arrange adult education and apprenticeship training as vocational additional education and re-education in cooperation with the educational federation as well as other colleges, working life centres and the commercial and industrial life of the region. The education is mostly degree-oriented, aimed at the adult population and answers to regional educational and developmental needs.

**STUDY POSSIBILITIES**

Adult education and apprenticeship training and their different manners of realisation are practical ways of obtaining vocational skills. In the education earlier qualifications and skills are taken into account.

To enterprises we offer recruiting training and personnel training based on the needs of the enterprises themselves. Our expert participates in the mapping of skills when needed. We give aid in finding financing channels for the recruiting training and the personnel training.

In adult education and apprenticeship training you can study basic degrees, vocational degrees, special vocational degrees as well as non-degree-oriented additional training.

The colleges within The Federation of Education in Jokilaaksot mainly arrange the offered adult education. Also the theory teaching within the apprenticeship training as well as the skills demonstrations are arranged in these colleges as far as possible.

Adult Education and Apprenticeship Training Centre also coordinates the project activities in JEDU and the educational foresight work.

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International Cooperation in the vocational colleges of JEDU started already in the early 1990s. At that time Haapajärvi Vocational College started cooperation with Hungarian Vocational Colleges. After that the international cooperation has gradually become a part of every day life in all JEDU’s Vocational Colleges.

Oulainen Vocational College also has one of the oldest cooperation partners in Estonia. Tarto Hooldekodu has been a great partner for social and health care students and teachers for many years.

Ylivieska Vocational College has long term cooperation relationships to China and has also started exporting Finnish vocational education and training to China, especially in the field of social and health care.

The Vocational Colleges in JEDU have had together already many international projects financed by The Finnish National Board of Education and The European Union. JEDU did get The Mobility Certificate from Leonardo da Vinci Programm. It was awarded to an organization which has proven long-term experience and has shown high quality in Leonardo mobility projects.

A certified organisation has a comprehensive development strategy, which also includes international activities. The international activities of a certified organization involve both students and staff.

Certified organisations are further encouraged to develop their international activities strategically and improve their quality.

The certificate was valid until the end of 2015.

In the spring 2015 JEDU applied for VET Mobility Charter in Erasmus + Program.

The VET Mobility Charter was given to JEDU after accreditation during the spring 2015.

The Erasmus + VET Mobility Charter

The Federation of Education in Jokilaaksot has been awarded with The Erasmus + VET Mobility Charter 2015-1-FI01-KA109-009220 by the Finnish National Agency for the Erasmus+ programme CIMO for the period from 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2020.

CIMO recognizes the operational capacity of this organization to manage high quality mobility projects and values its efforts to achieve greater internationalisation in VET through the Erasmus+ Programme. The VET Mobility Charter also recognizes the high quality of previous mobility projects, the long-term commitment to continuous improvement of mobility and the strategic approach of the organization to incorporate international mobility in its activities.
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