



MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME MEDIA EDUCATION

Media Education aims to develop profound media competences, literacy and critical multiliteracies – It's about media in teaching, learning and society.

1. STUDENT SELECTION

A maximum of twenty (20) new students will be admitted to study in the Master's Degree Programme in Media Education. Applications will be evaluated on the basis of the application form and supporting documents.

Admission will be based primarily on previous performance in studies, the content and the quality of the previous degree, the applicant's letter of motivation. Applicants must have good proficiency in English (see language requirements). Attention will also be given to ensuring that the previous studies of admitted students provide an appropriate basis for studies in the programme. Those students who do not have enough previous studies in Media Education, will be required to complete complementary bridging studies of 25 ECTS instead of minor studies.

Motivation letter

A letter of motivation should answer to these questions:

- a) why are you applying to the Master's Degree programme in Media Education
- b) what is your academic and personal goal,
- c) what are your expectations and challenges regarding the studies
- d) how your earlier studies support your Media Education studies
- e) what kind of research projects interest you, and what kind of effect will these studies have to your future career choices?
- f) In addition, the motivation letter can also describe the applicant's hobbies, organisational activities, work experience and previous long-term periods abroad.

Motivation letter is written in English and it should be no longer than four (4) pages in length.

2. PROGRAMME-SPECIFIC APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

International applicants who meet the eligibility criteria may apply for the Master's Degree Programme in Media Education. The online application on the Studyinfo portal (www.studyinfo.fi) is only open during the application period. The application period opens on December 1st 2017 and closes on January 15th 2018 at 15:00 (GMT +2).

Submit an electronic application form through University Admissions Finland and send all the required enclosures to the University Admissions Finland's office by mail by the given deadline. UAF processes all documents in the order of arrival, so it is in your best interest to submit your application documents as soon as possible. It is acceptable to submit documents already before submitting the online application. E-mail attachments will not be accepted. UAF does not process the application documents that have arrived after the deadline.

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

- An officially certified copy of the applicant's bachelor's degree certificate in the original language (applicants graduating after the deadline must enclose their official credit transcript and the expected date of graduation to the application.) Students graduating during the academic year 2017 – 2018 (after the application period) are eligible to apply by providing an estimated graduation date.
- An official English, Swedish or Finnish translation of the degree certificate OR an officially certified copy of the Diploma Supplement in English (pertains to graduates of universities within the EU)
- An officially certified copy of the transcript of the applicant's bachelor's degree in the original language.
- An official English, Swedish or Finnish translation of the transcript of the bachelor's degree
- Language certificate (see language requirements above)
- A copy of your passport's ID page
- Letter of motivation stating why the applicant is applying for the programme
- A summary or an abstract of the final thesis (written assignment or research project) in the previous degree

- A Curriculum Vitae (CV)

You may also enclose:

- A Recommendation Letter from former teacher or instructor.

University Admissions Finland does not accept regular photocopies of educational documents. All educational documents must either be officially certified (attested) by the awarding institution, or legalised. For some countries there are country-specific document requirements that must be followed first and foremost before any other requirements for document attestation. Please check if there are any country-specific requirements for your degree-awarding country at www.universityadmissions.fi and then follow the instructions.

In addition, officially certified copies issued by a Finnish Notary Public are accepted. Please note that officially certified copies issued by notaries public in other countries are not accepted without legislation.

If your educational documents are issued in a language other than English, Finnish or Swedish, official translations of them to one of these languages are required. Officially certified copies of the original documents must also be submitted. An official translation must be one of the following:

- a) issued by the awarding institution
- b) an officially certified copy of a translation issued by the awarding institution
- c) translated by an official translator
- d) an officially certified copy of a translation made by an official translator

Each page of an official translation must bear the translator's stamp and/or signature. Official translations must be exact translations of the original documents. Translations done by the applicant him- or herself are not accepted.

The authenticity of all documents will be examined and the submission of forged documents will lead to automatic rejection of the applicant.

The required enclosures should be sent to:

University Admissions Finland
Unioninkatu 40 C
FI-00170 Helsinki
FINLAND

Please note that the Application Form and the enclosures will not be returned to the applicant.

If you have questions concerning the studies, the admission requirements and the application process, please contact **admission(at)ulapland.fi**

3. SELECTION RESULTS AND APPEALING

The results of the admission will be published on March 26th 2018 at the latest. Information about the results and the beginning of the programme will be announced to all applicants by email. You can only accept one study place leading to a higher education degree in Finland in education that begins in the same academic term.

The names of those applicants who have given their consent to it in the application form are also published on the Faculty's web pages.

Accepting the study place

Students admitted to the programme must accept or decline their study place by notifying the Student services office of the University of Lapland by April 26th 2018. Admitted students who fail to notify the University whether they wish to accept their place or fail to submit the required documents by the due date will have waived their right to study.

University of Lapland
Student Services
P.O. Box 122
FI-96101 Rovaniemi
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A request for rectification and appeal

Applicants dissatisfied with the admissions decision may appeal to the Dean of the Faculty of Education. The appeal must be submitted in writing and indicate in detail the decision against which the appeal is submitted as well as the grounds for the appeal. The appeal must arrive at the Registrar of the University of Lapland within 14 days of the publication of the admission decision. Applicants dissatisfied with the decision of the Dean may appeal to the Administrative Court. Decisions made by the Administrative Court are not subject to appeal.

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