

Selection criteria for a study period abroad for TAMK students

The following criteria must be met by the student before exchange studies:

- The student's credit accumulation by the time of departure must be at least 60 credits, 30 credits for Master's Degrees.
- Degree programmes may have additional criteria of their own. Also, non-degree-programmes, such as North-South-South or China Programme, may have additional selection criteria.
- The student must not have partially completed courses/exams. If there are, but it is realistically possible for the student to complete them before leaving abroad, the exchange can be accepted conditionally. In order for a conditionally accepted exchange to happen, the partially completed courses/exams have to be passed before leaving abroad.
- The exchange studies must fit within the normal completion time of the degree. Also, the objectives of the studies or practical training abroad and the time for the exchange period must be in line with the studies at TAMK.
- The student completes the mandatory language assessment set before the exchange (for Erasmus+ only).
- The student is motivated and committed to their studies / training abroad.
- TAMK Degree Regulations also define as criteria the following: "TAMK sends students to exchange studies or trainee exchange only to those partner universities with which it has a valid partnership agreement"
- The student meets the language skills requirements.
- The final decision of accepting the exchange student will be made by the receiving university or enterprise offering the traineeship.

Language skills requirements

If the destination country is not English-speaking, but the teaching is in English: It is recommended that the student takes at least an elementary course in the language of the destination country before departure. In addition to the language studies offered by TAMK, the student is advised to look at those at Tampere University and folk high schools.

If the teaching language is other than English: The student has to master the language of study on B-level (B1 or preferably B2), of Common European Framework of Languages (Link to the European language levels - Self Assessment Grid). Also, language skills requirements of the destination have to be taken into consideration.