



Welcome to Åbo Akademi University

Congratulations on your admittance!





Agenda

- Our two campuses – Åbo & Vasa
- Åbo & Vasa in pictures
- Living and studying in Finland
- Housing
- Arrival





Our two campuses



■ Åbo – Turku

- Finland's oldest city
- Population of about 187 000
- Considered the best student city in Finland, with about 40 000 students
- The campus is located in the old part of the city

■ Vasa – Vaasa

- "The sunniest city in Finland"
- Population of about 67 000 - 13 000 students at six different universities
- The Vasa campus is situated in the "Academill" building which is an old mill renovated for the university's purpose.





Åbo & Vasa

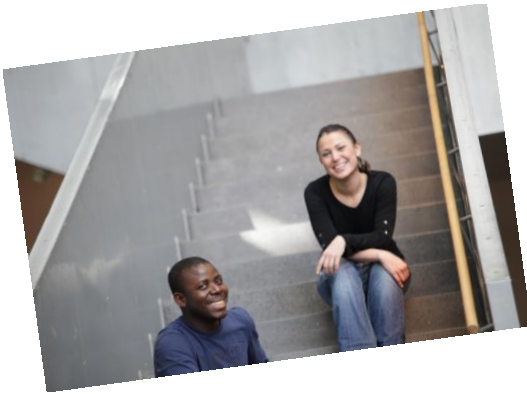


Living in Finland

- Finland is a land of contrast where untouched and mystical nature meets modern thinking and technological innovation
- A mix of urban culture and the nature
 - Åbo an old city, but considered to be the best student city with the nature just a short bike or bus ride away
 - Vasa lies in the Kvarken Archipelago, which is found on the Unesco World Heritage List
- Finland always features among the safest countries to live in
 - Peace and quiet, democracy and equality → a positive environment to live and study in
- One of the most corruption free countries in the world
- Four distinct seasons: Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn



Studying in Finland



The atmosphere at campus is cozy and familiar

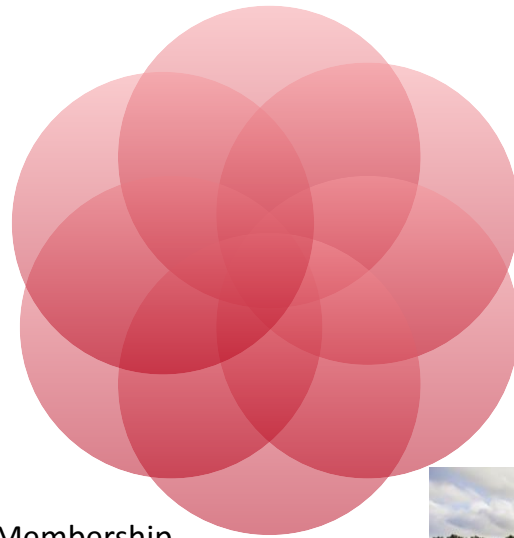
- enables good relations between students and staff members



Academic freedom

Free libraries → most of the course literature

Orientation course so everyone will have a good start



Student life – lots of student associations
(at least around 80 associations with different focus)

Student Union Membership

- Student lunch from only 2,60 €
- Student Health Career Services
- Discount on ticket prices on trains and long distance coaches
- Campus Sport



Housing



- Student housing both in Åbo and Vasa
- Åbo: [Student Village Foundation](#)
- Vasa: [Lärkan](#) or [VOAS Student Housing Foundation](#)
- Apply for housing online
- The application should be made well in advance
- Private market: www.oikotie.fi ,
www.vuokraovi.com

Student housing in Turku for degree students

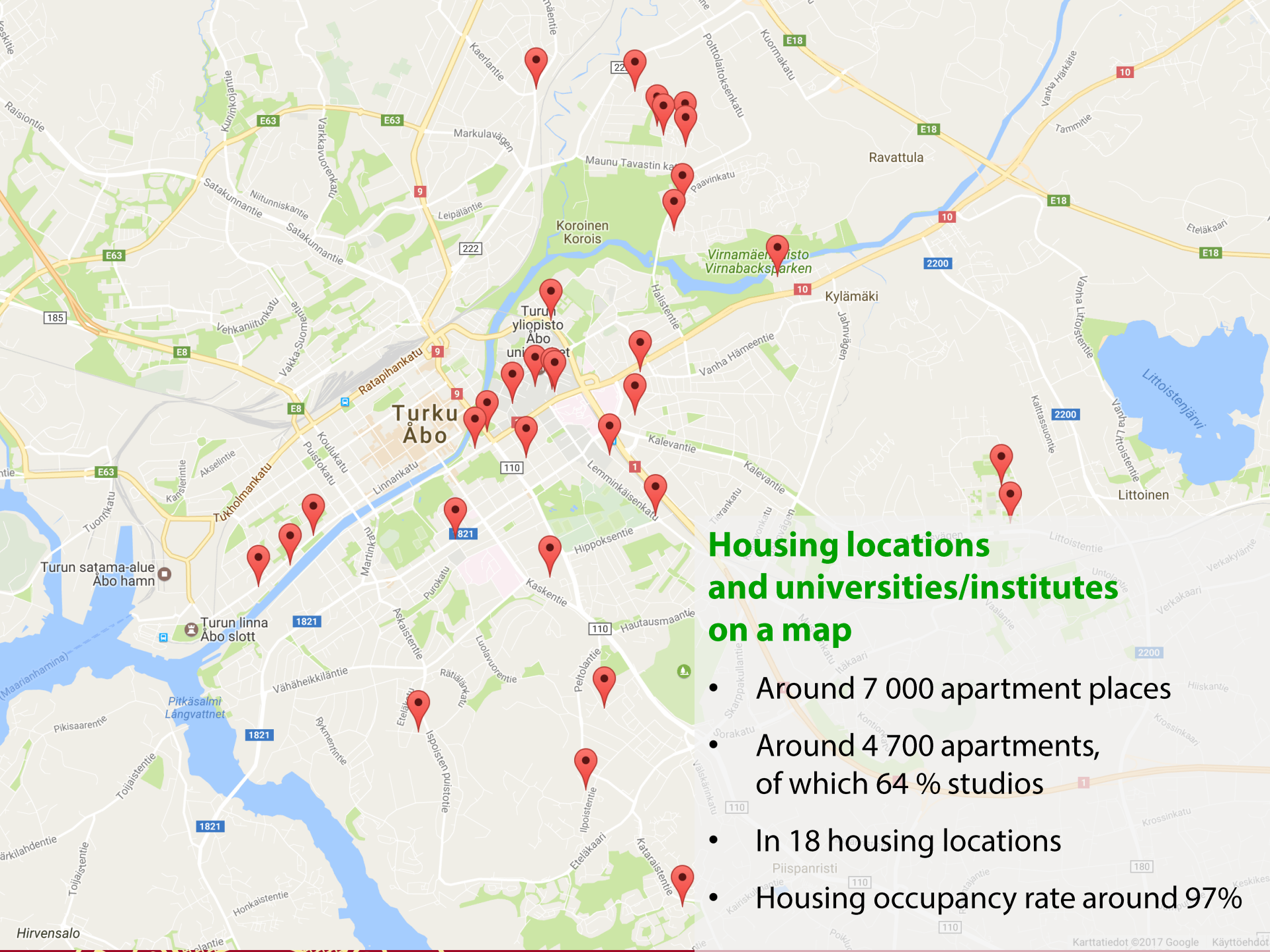


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Organization

- The Student Village Foundation of Turku (TYS) rents, builds, renovates and maintains student and youth housing in Turku
- TYS was founded in 1966 by the Student Union of Turku University
- Part of Turku City Group and public procurements but a separate organization
- In the area of Turku there are several universities/institutes and all full-time students can apply housing from TYS





Housing locations and universities/institutes on a map

- Around 7 000 apartment places
- Around 4 700 apartments, of which 64 % studios
- In 18 housing locations
- Housing occupancy rate around 97%



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#tysturku #tysasunnot
#tysauranhelmi

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Makuuhuone Auranhelmissä #tys-
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Ihanan kodikas asunto Auran-
helmissä #tysturku #tys ...

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Maartin ja Mikaelin asunto voitti
Turun kauneimma ...

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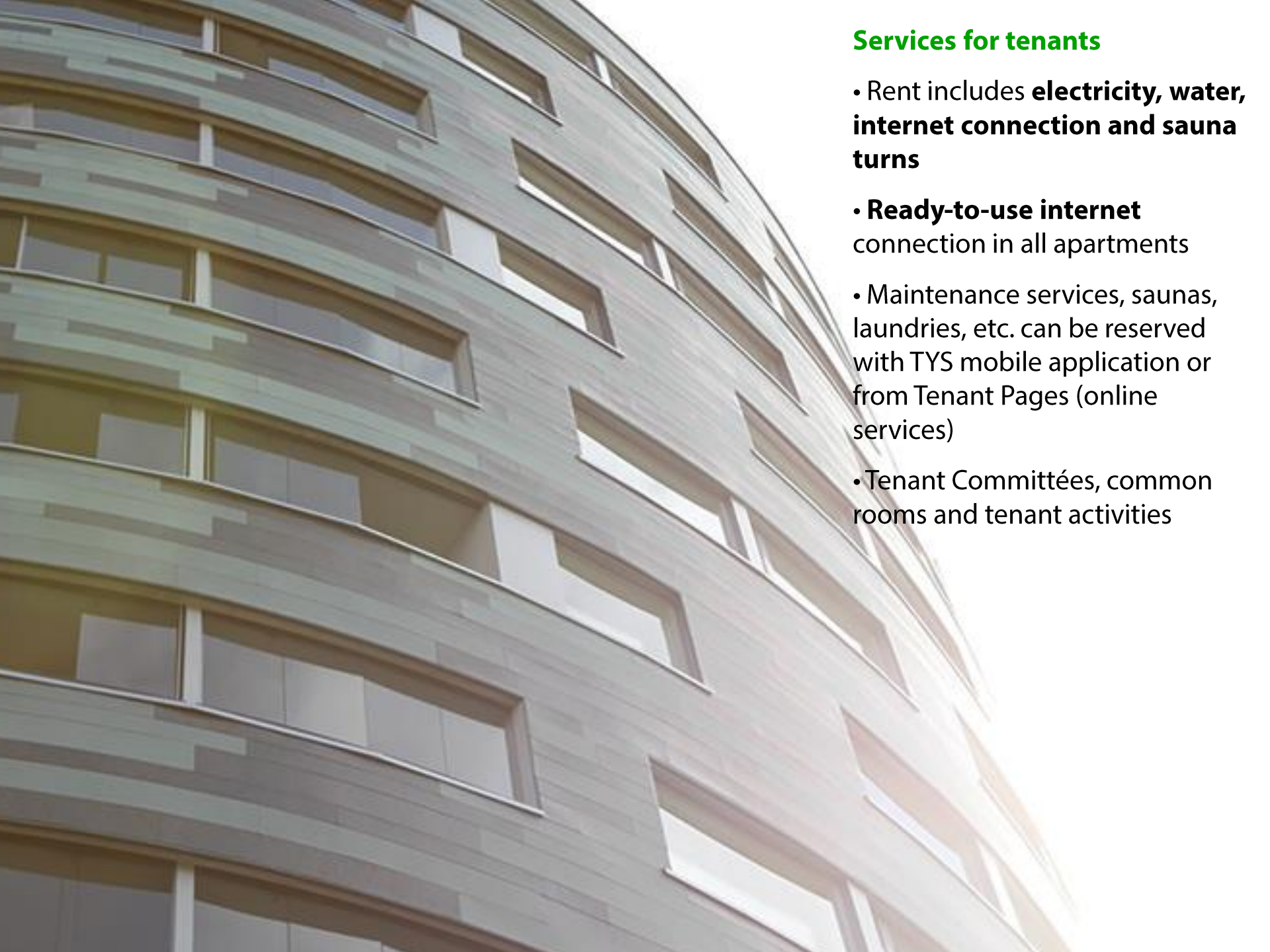
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Apartment types for degree student

- Studio apartments (unfurnished)
- Two-room apartments (unfurnished)
- Bigger family apartments (unfurnished)
- Shared apartments for 2-4 persons
 - own lockable bedroom
 - hallway, kitchen, bathroom shared
 - also with basic furniture (furnished)
- Small studio apartments with a common kitchen
 - only in the Student Village

NB! Apartments are usually unfurnished.

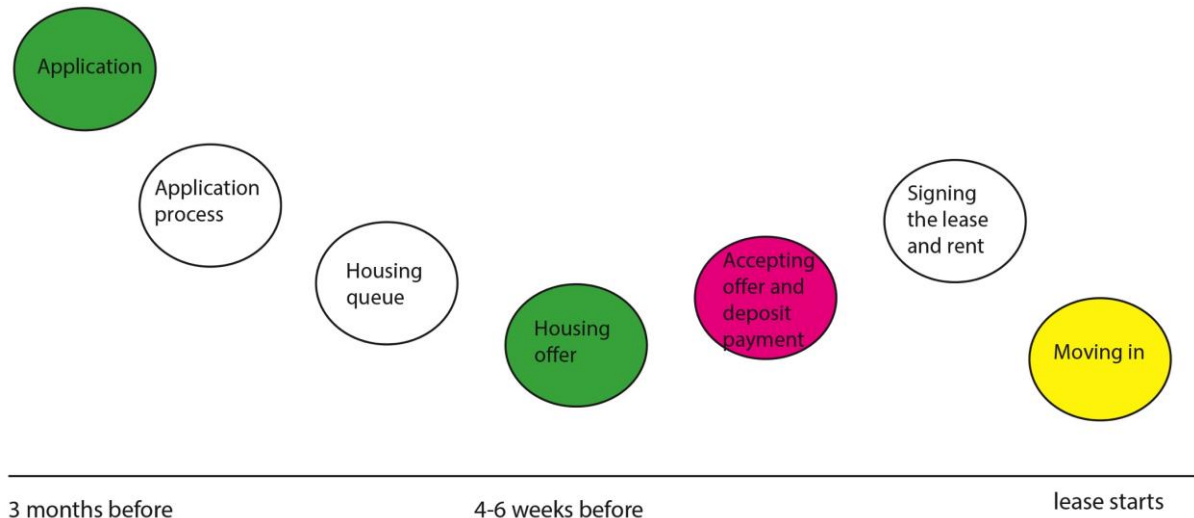


Services for tenants

- Rent includes **electricity, water, internet connection and sauna turns**
- **Ready-to-use internet** connection in all apartments
- Maintenance services, saunas, laundries, etc. can be reserved with TYS mobile application or from Tenant Pages (online services)
- Tenant Committées, common rooms and tenant activities

How to apply housing – practical tips

- You can apply housing online **3 months before** the need of an apartment (even if you don't have the acceptance letter yet). For autumn semester the application period has started on the 1st of May. More info about applying: <https://www.tys.fi/en/applicants/>
- Here you can find:
 - housing options** for degree students: <https://www.tys.fi/en/picturesvideos-housing-locations/> -
 - rents** and **plan drawings**: <http://asuntohaku.tys.fi>
 - application form**:
<https://hakemus.tampuuri.fi/tys/hakemus/hakulomake/hakulomake.aspx?Hakemustyyppi=1>
- Please note that the popular housing options have housing queues and the waiting list can be sometimes rather long. **Select several different locations/options** to your application form.
- After submitting the housing application, it will be processed and around 4-6 weeks before we know the available apartments/housing situation. In autumn the housing situation is the most difficult, as there are more students applying housing than we have available apartments.



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Housing – Vasa

- [Lärkan](#) or [VOAS Student Housing Foundation](#)
- Lärkan
 - 1,2 km from the university, close to the railway station and the city centre
 - Application period: first year students mid-June to end of July
 - Monthly rent 260-520 €
 - High speed Internet and water fee included in the rent
- VOAS
 - Application period: studies beginning in late August → submit application by 31 July
 - Monthly rent 230-350 €
 - including water, Internet and electricity
 - Both furnished and unfurnished rooms



Arrival



- Åbo
 - By air: Turku Airport or Helsinki-Vantaa airport
 - By bus: [Matkahuolto](#) or [Onnibus.com](#)
 - By train: [VR](#), throughout Finland and some journeys from Russia
 - By ferry: Viking Line and Silja Line
- Vasa
 - By air: Vaasa airport
 - By bus: [Matkahuolto](#) or [Onnibus.com](#)
 - By train: [VR](#), Helsinki – Vaasa: 3,5 hours
 - By ferry: [Wasaline](#)



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