

The scholarship holders contract the insurance themselves, but the payer of the scholarship is obliged to inform LPA about the scholarship. Scholarship holders are to apply for this obligatory insurance within three months after commencing the scholarship work. The insurance covers work pension and accidents.

For more information, please visit [www.mela.fi/en/grant-and-scholarship-recipients](http://www.mela.fi/en/grant-and-scholarship-recipients).

### *Pension Insurance for Scholarship Holders (voluntary)*

ÅA has contracted pension insurance for Scholarship Holders with the company Aktia Livförsäkring. The insurance applies to scholarship receivers of at least five months and who are given a letter of authority to join the insurance policy.

### *Accident Insurance*

Scholarship holders enrolled at ÅA are insured in the event of an accident in the same way as other students are. The insurance covers accidents in laboratory or field work or in other practical learning activity caused by circumstances characteristic of the teaching form in question.

## 3.4 Legal Advice

If you are a victim of a legal offence you should contact a person or an institution close to you, for example the Student's Lawyer, one of the offices mentioned below, or the Police Station where you can find information about reporting a crime. In acute situations, call the national emergency number 112.

### **Students' Lawyer**

Students can get legal advice free of charge from the student lawyer of the student unions in Åbo. You can turn to the legal counsellor in matters if inheritance, housing (e.g. tenancy agreements), taxation, employment etc. Please notice that writing or making contracts don't belong to the counsellor's work description, but they can give you useful legal advice. The lawyer is available during the academic year. Visit or

call for consultation during consultation hours only, every Tuesday between 18 and 19. Address: Student Union of the University of Turku (TYY), Yo-talo, Rektorsåkersgatan 4 A (ground floor), phone: +358 (0) 45 843 3428. Students in Vasa can call the lawyer during consultation hours.

### **Stadga Student Legal Advising**

Stadga is a student association run by law students at Åbo Akademi University. They offer legal advice the first Tuesday of the month, at Luckan, Auragatan 1, Åbo, from 16.00 to 18.00. Right of inheritance, work contracts and housing contracts is their main area of expertise, but potentially they can assist you with any matter related to the Finnish law. The service is free of charge for members of ÅAS.

### **The Finnish Ministry of Justice**

On the webpage of the Ministry of Justice ([www.om.fi](http://www.om.fi)) you can find general information about the legal system in Finland.

### **State Legal Advice**

You can get legal advice from any of the municipalities if you are of Finnish nationality, you are residing in Finland or the case is processed in Finland.

In Åbo this can be obtained from:

*Varsinais-Suomen Oikeusaputoimisto/  
Egentliga Finlands rättshjälpsbyrå*  
Humlegårdsgatan 1, 4th floor  
20100 Åbo

Phone: +358 (0) 29 566 0420 (switchboard)

e-mail: [turku.oikapu@oikeus.fi](mailto:turku.oikapu@oikeus.fi)

Open Mon-Fri 8.00-16.15

In Vasa this can be obtained from:

*Keski-Pohjanmaan ja Pohjanmaan/  
Mellersta Österbottens och Österbottens  
rättshjälpsbyrå*

Vasaesplanaden 20 B, 5th floor  
65100 Vasa

Phone: +358 (0)29 566 1240 (switchboard)

e-mail: [pohjanmaa.oikapu@oikeus.fi](mailto:pohjanmaa.oikapu@oikeus.fi)

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