Information for new students

Master’s programme in Biomedical Imaging

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Faculty of Science and Engineering, Åbo Akademi University
The Faculty of Science and Engineering

- Governing body: Faculty council

- Dean Prof. Tapio Salmi (chairs the council)

- Faculty Office
  - In the Axelia building (third floor), Biskopsgatan 8
  - Open Mon-Fri: 9-15
The Faculty Office
Student affairs personnel

Academic Affairs coordinator:
- Heidi Karlsson,
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Study Advisors:
- Simon Berg
- Jessica Lindroos
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Student Affairs Officers:
- Mary-Ann Hamberg-Ahola (course transcripts, certificate of enrollment)
- Maria Hertell-Jalava
Biomedical Imaging “personnel” at Åbo Akademi University

All subjects in Biosciences at ÅAU are found in Biocity, Artillerigatan 6, floors II-III.

- **Head of the Biomedical Imaging programme (BIMA):**
  Professor John Eriksson (ÅAU) / Diana Toivola (substitute) and Pekka Hänninen (UTU)

- **Programme coordinators:**
  Joanna Pylvänäinen, Laura Mairinoja

- **Teacher tutor:**
  Senior lecturer Diana Toivola / Annika Meinander (substitute)

- **Student tutors:**
  Niloofar Hashempour and Leon Riehakainen
Academic year, semesters, periods

- The **Academic year** starts 1.8 and ends 31.7

- The Academic year is divided into **two semesters: autumn and spring** and four periods, two in each semester:
  - Period I: weeks 36-43, autumn semester
  - Period II: weeks 44-51, autumn semester
  - Period III: weeks 2-11, spring semester
  - Period IV: weeks 12-21, spring semester
Lecture hours at ÅAU

- Lecture hours at ÅAU, if nothing else is mentioned, are:

  8-10 = 8.15-9.45
  10-12 = 10.15-11.45
  13-15 = 13.30-15.00
  15-17 = 15.15-16.45
Credits, cr

- All courses are measured in credits, cr (study points, ”sp”)

- A credit unit corresponds to the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)

- A full time study load for an academic year is 60 credits (the master’s degree, which is 120 cr, can be completed in two years)
Username and e-mail account at ÅAU

- Contact the ICT helpdesk in the ASA building, Fänriksgatan 3 B, helpdesk@abo.fi to get your ÅAU username and e-mail account activated

- You can also activate your username with Finnish bank codes through http://www.selfservice.abo.fi/
MinPlan – study planning tool

Electronic study planning tool www.abo.fi/minplan

- "Notice board"
- Course database
- The structure of your studies
- Course registration system
- Examination registration system
- The name of your tutor and teacher tutor

Always compare to and consult the degree structure presented in the Study Guide!
MinPlan – study plan

- Students make a study plan in the beginning of the studies:
  1. choose courses
  2. schedule courses (i.e. decide which courses you are going to take this year)
  3. send the plan to your teacher tutor Diana Toivola/Annika Meinander for approval

- At the end of the first year of study (May 2018), you update your plan and schedule next year’s courses (2018-2019) and send the plan to Diana for approval
MinPlan-session in computer class

- We will arrange a MinPlan-session in a computer class in the middle of September to go through MinPlan in detail.

- The MinPlan-session is arranged in the Biochemistry computer class III floor in Biocity. The date and time will be confirmed later!

- The study advisor, teacher tutor and the coordinator will also attend.

- This MinPlan-session is mandatory!
Courses from University of Turku (UTU)

- Many courses within the BioImaging programme are University of Turku (UTU) courses

- BIMA students will get UTU study right, UTU username and UTU password automatically

- The UTU courses are not automatically transferred to ÅAU. You must bring an official UTU transcript to the Faculty Office for transfer. We’ll transfer all courses listed in the Study Guide. Courses that are not listed there will be transferred after Diana Toivola’s approval.
Academic writing skills in English for masters students

- 923800.0 Academic writing skills in English for masters students, 3 cr

- Mandatory language course, requires course registration through MinPlan

- The course starts week 38 (start date 19.9) Period I (weeks 38-43) Tuesday and Thursday 17.15-18.45
Sources of information

- The Orientation course for new international students 29.8-1.9.2017

- Biomedical Imaging web pages: [www.abo.fi/bioimaging](http://www.abo.fi/bioimaging)

- The Study Guide 2017-2018: Hand out and

- Lecture dates and times: [http://www.bioimaging.fi/program/courses/](http://www.bioimaging.fi/program/courses/)

Sources of information

- Programme coordinators (Joanna, Laura)
- Teacher tutor (Diana/Annika) and other teachers
- Student Tutors (Niloofar, Leon)
- Study Advisors (Simon, Jessica)
- The Student Office and International Office in the Gripen building, Tavastgatan 13

Please read your Åbo Akademi email account (@abo.fi) regularly!
GOOD LUCK
with your studies!