

Membership

Membership of a student union is compulsory by law for all Finnish undergraduate students – and for those international students who are studying for a Finnish degree (bachelor's or master's). **Exchange students** studying in Finland for three months or more can join a student union if they want to, but it is not compulsory. The Student Union of Åbo Akademi University (ÅAS) is a public corporation completely independent of Åbo Akademi University. The role of ÅAS is to represent its members, to advance the position of students in society and provide them with services ranging from consultations with lawyers and experts to student traditions. The student unions in Finland form the National Union of Finnish University Students (FSF). **The membership fee at the Student Union of Åbo Akademi University is 69.00 euros for the academic year 2024 - 2025** (34.50 euros for fall semester, 34.50 euros for spring semester) and should be paid <u>prior</u> to registration at the University.

Membership benefits

FSF issues a national student card (FRANK: www.frank.fi) which all members of the Student Union can apply for after having paid the membership fee. By showing your validated student card (plastic or app), you will also receive discounts on lunches at the student restaurants, a significant discount on ticket prices on trains and long distance coaches, reduced rates at youth hostels and many other student discounts. In addition, you will of course be able to use the services of the Student Union of Åbo Akademi University. For more information on the membership benefits, please visit the Student Union website www.studentkaren.fi.

Becoming a member

In order to obtain the membership and a student card please use the invoice below and pay the fee. If you pay the membership fee at a foreign bank, please make sure that all the bank and service fees have been paid by you in full and have not been deducted from the membership fee! The archive code must be stated in the receipt! Please also make sure to save the receipt and send it to studinfo@abo.fi. After paying the fee you can register at the International Office at Åbo Akademi University. After registration, you should order your student card at www.frank.fi/en.

For more information or if you have any trouble, please visit the Student Union website www.studentkaren.fi or contact the Student Union tel. +358 2 215 4650, e-mail: kansli@studentkaren.fi or visit the Student Union office in Åbo or Vasa.

Welcome to the Student Union of Abo Akademi University!

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