

Polytechnic students numbered 132,500 in 2008

According to Statistics Finland, a total of 132,500 students attended polytechnic education leading to a degree in autumn 2008. This was 800 students less than in 2007. The number of new students was 37,000, which is one per cent more than one year previously. The numbers of students were highest in the fields of technology, transport and welfare, health and physical exercise.

The number of students attending education leading to a higher polytechnic degree was 4,500 in 2008, which is 1,100 students more than in 2007.

Examined by the number of students, the biggest polytechnics were the Metropolia Polytechnic, the Haaga-Helia Polytechnic and the Turku Polytechnic. The proportion of women of polytechnic students was 55 per cent.

New students and students in polytechnics by region in 2008

Region	New students		Students	
	Total	Women	Total	Women
Whole country	36,999	20,954	132,501	72,560
Continental Finland	36,904	20,925	132,118	72,432
Uusimaa	9,613	5,709	34,296	19,719
Itä-Uusimaa	427	306	1,457	1,068
Varsinais-Suomi	3,022	1,742	10,651	5,930
Satakunta	1,483	878	5,830	3,296
Kanta-Häme	1,546	911	5,488	3,076
Pirkanmaa	2,850	1,487	10,352	5,097
Päijät-Häme	1,475	902	5,318	3,145
Kymenlaakso	1,097	637	4,282	2,270
South Karelia	785	463	2,897	1,592
Etelä-Savo	1,495	934	4,929	2,877
Pohjois-Savo	1,887	1,050	6,578	3,581
North Karelia	1,147	629	3,939	2,090
Central Finland	1,839	978	6,777	3,543
South Ostrobothnia	1,339	788	4,718	2,547
Ostrobothnia	1,488	744	5,551	2,691
Central Ostrobothnia	491	250	1,814	943
North Ostrobothnia	2,541	1,298	9,098	4,551
Kainuu	570	284	2,009	1,090
Lapland	1,809	935	6,134	3,326
Åland	95	29	383	128
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