University students numbered 176,300 in 2007

According to Statistics Finland, a total of 176,300 students attended university education leading to a degree in 2007. This was 250 students less than in 2006. In 2007 the highest numbers of students were studying in the fields of science and technology, natural sciences and humanities. The proportion of women of all students attending education leading to a degree was 54 per cent and their proportion of new students was 57 per cent.

Of all students, 33 per cent were studying for a lower tertiary degree and 53 for a higher tertiary degree. A total of 14 per cent of all students were studying at the doctorate level of attending specialist training of doctors.

In 2007 the number of foreign students attending university education leading to a degree was 5,900, which is 500 more than in 2006. Women made up 42 per cent of all foreign students.

New students and total number of students in universities by region in 2007

Region	New students			Students		
	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women
Uusimaa	6,115	2,725	3,390	62,047	29,652	32,395
Varsinais-Suomi	2,279	870	1,409	22,317	8,960	13,357
Satakunta	418	186	232	2,277	1,088	1,189
Kanta-Häme	65	13	52	678	180	498
Pirkanmaa	2,475	1,222	1,253	26,085	13,983	12,102
Päijät-Häme	30	7	23	230	44	186
Kymenlaakso	53	13	40	441	101	340
South Karelia	793	541	252	5,793	4,089	1,704
Etelä-Savo	217	52	165	1,322	268	1,054
Pohjois-Savo	847	279	568	6,269	2,156	4,113
North Karelia	1,040	413	627	7,315	2,969	4,346
Central Finland	1,961	706	1,255	13,748	5,059	8,689
South Ostrobothnia	-	-	-	9	7	2
Ostrobothnia	976	400	576	7,238	3,029	4,209
North Ostrobothnia	1,612	726	886	15,143	7,863	7,280
Kainuu	99	28	71	646	184	462
Lapland	668	196	472	4,746	1,391	3,355
Total	19,648	8,377	11,271	176,304	81,023	95,281

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