



Program Benchmarking Course Finnish Education System

Sunday

14:00 – 16:30	(OPTIONAL) Cultural program: Meeting in front of the Chapel of Silence (the street address is Simonkatu 7 in the city center - map; https://goo.gl/maps/gE9MB4Px5btU6SQ59). Guided tour of Helsinki by HappyGuides (+358445020066)
16.30	(OPTIONAL) Meeting in the Central railway station (Inside, in front of <i>R-Kioski</i> , next to the ticket office and opposite to <i>Forex</i> (map: https://goo.gl/maps/5ueMLgVfyCu) and travel to the school together with your guide Jaana (+358505735273)
17:00 – 19:00	(OPTIONAL) Säveltie 5, 00720 Helsinki. Map; https://goo.gl/maps/Vp7cy2zmn3W8wh8y7). Visit to a multidisciplinary arts centre for children in Helsinki (mainly focused on teachers interested in arts, music and primary school teachers – limited places available, but there is an option for a non-guided visit to an Art school on Monday.

Monday

08.30	Meeting in the Central railway station (Inside, in front of <i>R-Kioski</i> , next to the ticket office and opposite to <i>Forex</i> (map: https://goo.gl/maps/5ueMLgVfyCu) and walk to Annatalo, (Annankatu 30, 00100 Helsinki, map; https://goo.gl/maps/fU37bJLkbVKxpDaG9), the venue of the day together with your guide Lena (+38640303107).
09.00 – 12:00	Finnish Lessons. Presentation by Arne Verhaegen, Educational expert and trainer at EduFuture, “The Finnish Education System – Less is More”. Questions & answers (Q&A). Venue: Auditorium Annantalo (Annankatu 30, 00100 Helsinki, map; https://goo.gl/maps/fU37bJLkbVKxpDaG9).
12.00 - 14.00	Lunch (own expense)



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14.00 – 16.00	The Core Curriculum and Finnish School Reform: Expert Lecture from Ritva Mickelsson (PhD candidate Eduleaders (member), principal, special needs teacher, and Mentor Equine-assisted social education practitioner®) about the National core curriculum and educational reforms in Finnish schools. Venue: Auditorium Annantalo (Annankatu 30, 00100 Helsinki, map; https://goo.gl/maps/fU37bJLkbVKxpDaG9).
16.00 – 17.00	Workshop about the desired outcomes of the day

Tuesday

08.00	Meeting in the Central railway station (Inside, in front of <i>R-Kioski</i> , next to the ticket office and opposite to <i>Forex</i> (map: https://goo.gl/maps/5ueMLgVfycu) and travel to the venue of the day together with your guide Lena (+38640303107).
09.00 -12.00	Visiting Lågstad Skola (grades 1-9) in Espoo (Espoonkatu 7, 02770 Espoo map: https://goo.gl/maps/tJBDPTMYkN3MnWM7). Welcome by principal, observation classes and discussion with principal, teachers and students about the everyday life in a Finnish school (being a teacher or a student in Finland, the use of ICT, integration of special needs students, collaborative projects, etc.).
12:00 – 13.00	Lunch (own expense or bring your own) in Lågstad Skola
13:00 – 15:00	Best Practice Market – Developing and sharing of best practices with colleagues from all over Europe
15:00 – 16:00	Travel back to Annantalo, (Annankatu 30, 00100 Helsinki, map; https://goo.gl/maps/fU37bJLkbVKxpDaG9), the closing venue of the day together with your guide Lena (+38640303107).
16:00 – 18:00	Leadership & Management: Lecture from principal and innovator Mikko Leppänen about leadership & management in school.



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Wednesday

08:00	Meeting in the Central railway station (Inside, in front of <i>R-Kioski</i> , next to the ticket office and opposite to <i>Forex</i> (map: https://goo.gl/maps/5ueMLgVfycu) and travel to the venue of the day together with Lena, your guide.
09.00 – 12.00 OPTION 1 Guide Arne	Visiting Lintulaaksu Koulu (grades 1-6) in Espoo (Linnuntie 13, 02660 Espoo. Map: https://goo.gl/maps/jMkvJVS5NCv2673y9). Welcome principal, observation classes and discussion with principal, teachers and students about the everyday life in a Finnish school (being a teacher or a student in Finland, the use of ICT, integration of special needs students, collaborative projects, etc.).
09.00 – 12.00 OPTION 2 Guide Lena	Visit to Mättlidens Upper Secondary and IB school in Espoo (Matinsyrjä 1, 02230 Espoo, map: https://goo.gl/maps/zASzt2FacLm24kWw9). Welcome principal, observation classes and discussion with principals, teachers and students about the everyday life in a Finnish school (being a teacher or a student in Finland, the use of ICT, integration of special needs students, collaborative projects, etc.).
12.00 - 14.00	(OPTIONAL) Lunch (own expense)
14.00 - 16.00	(OPTIONAL) Innovation and STEM: Visit to the Heureka Science Center – How can science can be integrated in the classroom. Visit of the Heureka Science Center by yourself (€20 per person extra costs).
19:00 – 21:00	(OPTIONAL) Dinner at own expense in Ravintola Zetor (https://www.raflaamo.fi/en/helsinki/zetor)

Thursday

08:00	Meeting in the Central railway station (Inside, in front of <i>R-Kioski</i> , next to the ticket office and opposite to <i>Forex</i> (map: https://goo.gl/maps/5ueMLgVfycu). Travel to to the venue of the day together with your guide Lena (Kievarinraitti 1, 02710 Espoo – map: https://goo.gl/maps/JkhTcSdc9bPgeyYH6).
9.00 – 12.00 OPTION 1	Visiting Viherkallion Koulu (grades 1-6) in Espoo (Kievarinraitti 1, 02710 Espoo – map: https://goo.gl/maps/JkhTcSdc9bPgeyYH6). Welcome principal, observation classes and discussion with principal, teachers and students about the everyday



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Guide Lena	life in a Finnish school (being a teacher in Finland, teacher teams, talents development, standing structures of innovation, etc.). Questions and answers.
09.00 – 12.00 OPTION 2 Guide Arne	Visit to Varia Vocational College in Vantaa, a multidisciplinary vocational school with around 17 different vocational programs (Tennistie 1, 01370 Vantaa. Map; https://goo.gl/maps/6vwLUqgt2RtRW6v9). Welcome by the international coordinator, guided tour around the school, observations and discussing about the everyday life in a vocational school in Finland (basic skills required in the workplace, practical skills acquired from on-the-job learning, etc).
12.00 - 13.30	Lunch (own expense)
13.30 – 15.00	Venue: Auditorium Annantalo (Annankatu 30, 00100 Helsinki, map; https://goo.gl/maps/fU37bJLkbVKxpDaG9). Closing ceremony of the course in Helsinki. Question and answer session, evaluation, networking, etc.
16.30 – 18.30	(optional) Transfer to Tallinn by boat

(OPTIONAL) Friday

08:15	Meeting at Freedom Square (map: https://goo.gl/maps/XcGWdyRjZkT2) in front of the yellow church and travelling together with your guide to School 21, a k-12 school in Tallinn focused on the use of technology in the classroom.
09:00 – 12:00	Visit school 21 (grades 1-12) in Tallinn (Raua 6, 10124 Tallinn, Estonia. Map; https://goo.gl/maps/LufkyNiXFvYgR2Pu9). Welcome by the principal, observation classes and discussion with teachers and students about the everyday life in an Estonian school (being a teacher in Estonia, use of technology and ICT in the classroom, student development, etc.). Questions and answers.
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch
13.30 – 14.30	Visit to Mektory – Guided tour at Mektory, the innovation hub of the university of Tallinn (https://www.ttu.ee/public/m/Mektory/What_is_Mektory.pdf)
14:30 – 17:00	Innovation and technology – Expert presentation from Merike Saar about the Estonian education system and the use of ICT and technology in Estonian Schools. Questions and answers.



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(OPTIONAL) Saturday

10:00 – 12:00

(OPTIONAL) Cultural program: Meeting at Freedom Square in front of the Yellow Church (map: <https://goo.gl/maps/XcGWdyRjZkT2>) Guided Tour of Tallinn by guide Julia Hamilton +372 5646 1909