



DIPLOMA SUPPLEMENT

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1 INFORMATION IDENTIFYING THE HOLDER OF THE QUALIFICATION

- 1.1 Family name(s) [REDACTED]
1.2 Given name(s) [REDACTED]
1.3 Date of birth [REDACTED]
1.4 Student identification number or code 1000205

2 INFORMATION IDENTIFYING THE QUALIFICATION

- 2.1 Name of qualification and title conferred *Sosiaali- ja terveystieteiden ammattikorkeakoulututkinto
Sosionomi (AMK), Bachelor of Social Services*
2.2 Main field(s) of study for the qualification *Social Services, Health and Sports
Degree Programme in Social Work*
2.3 Name and status of awarding institution *Seinäjoen ammattikorkeakoulu (Seinäjoki University of Applied
Sciences), state recognised polytechnic.
The quality assurance system of the institution has passed the
international audit conducted by the Finnish Higher Education
Evaluation Council. Further information : www.kka.fi.*
2.4 Name and status of institution administering studies *Not applicable*
2.5 Language(s) of instruction/examination *Finnish*

3 INFORMATION ON THE LEVEL OF THE QUALIFICATION

- 3.1 Level of qualification *Bachelor's degree (First-cycle polytechnic degree)
See 8.*
3.2 Official length of programme *The degree consists of 210 credits (3.5 years of full-time study)
Finnish credits are fully compatible with the ECTS.*
3.3 Access requirements *The Finnish Matriculation Examination gives general eligibility
for higher education. General eligibility is also given by Finnish
upper secondary vocational qualification. These qualifications
require at least 12 years of schooling. Equivalent foreign
qualifications also give general eligibility for higher education.
There is numerus clausus, i.e. restricted entry, to all fields of
study.
See 8.*

4 INFORMATION ON THE CONTENTS AND RESULTS GAINED

- 4.1 Mode of study *Full-time*
4.2 Programme requirements *Learning outcomes are available in the Course Catalogue.*

Studies leading to the degree comprise:

- 1) basic studies*
- 2) professional studies*
- 3) free-choice studies*
- 4) practical training*
- 5) a Bachelor's thesis, 15 credits*



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See transcript of records.

For aims and objectives of the qualification, see 8.

4.3 Programme details

See transcript of records

4.4 Grading scheme

*5 = Excellent
4 and 3 = Good
2 and 1 = Satisfactory
H = Passed
S = Completed
Not applicable*

4.5 Overall classification of the qualification

Not applicable

5 INFORMATION ON THE FUNCTION OF THE QUALIFICATION

5.1 Access to further study

*Eligible for second-cycle higher education studies.
As for work experience requirement, see 8.
The admissions decisions are made in the receiving higher education institution.*

5.2 Professional status

Under the Finnish legislation, a person who has taken Sosiaali- ja terveystieteiden ammattikorkeakoulututkinto is qualified for posts or positions in the public sector for which the qualification requirement is a first cycle higher education degree. In some cases, the qualification requirement also includes the completion of studies in certain specified fields of study.

The education gives students qualifications to work in flexible and multiple ways in tasks requiring expertise in the field of social work. It gives them the ability to organize and develop services and apply a client-oriented approach regarding the social questions of individuals, families and groups. The qualified workers will also have the capacity to work in consulting and educational tasks, furthermore in duties involving communication and research.

The students are prepared for diverse tasks in the field of social work: social services, client-based social work, community work, project work and tasks connected to planning, organizing and developing the services. Professional areas include child care and child protection, youth care, social welfare work, social insurance, elderly care, social work with handicapped persons, social work with drug abusers and social work with criminals. The degree programme prepares students for employment in the social field either within public welfare, in the private sector or in different organizations.

The degree falls under the Article 11 of the Directive 2005/36/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the recognition of professional qualifications, level d.



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- 6.1 Additional information
6.2 Further information sources

www.seamk.fi/english , *Seinäjoen ammattikorkeakoulu (Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences)*
www.minedu.fi , *Ministry of Education and Culture*
www.oph.fi/recognition , www.oph.fi/qualificationsframework
The Finnish National Board of Education, (The National Academic Recognition Information Centre (NARIC, the National Coordination Point for the European Qualifications Framework (EQF)
www.kka.fi , *The Finnish Higher Education Evaluation Council*

7 CERTIFICATION OF THE SUPPLEMENT

- 7.1 Date 24 May 2013
7.2 Signature

Dr. Asta Heikkilä
Dean

- 7.3 Capacity
7.4 Official stamp or seal



8 INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION SYSTEM

The description of the higher education system has been prepared by the Finnish National Board of Education and approved by the Ministry of Education and Culture.

The Finnish education system consists of basic education, general and vocational upper secondary education, higher education and adult education. The basic education consists of a nine-year compulsory school for all children from 7 to 16 years of age.

Post-compulsory education is given by general upper secondary schools and vocational institutions. The general upper secondary school provides a three-year general education curriculum, at the end of which the pupil takes the national Matriculation examination (ylioppilastutkinto/studentexamen). Vocational institutions provide three-year programmes, which lead to upper secondary vocational qualifications (ammattillinen perustutkinto/yrkesinriktad grundexamen).

General eligibility for higher education is given by the Matriculation examination and the upper secondary vocational qualification. These qualifications require at least 12 years of schooling. Equivalent foreign qualifications also give general eligibility for higher education.

The Finnish higher education system comprises universities (yliopisto/universitet) and polytechnics (ammattikorkeakoulu, AMK/yrkeshögskola, YH). All universities engage in both education and research and have the right to award doctorates. The polytechnics are multi-field institutions of professional higher education. Polytechnics engage in applied research and development. The polytechnics use the terms polytechnic or university of applied sciences when referring to themselves. This higher education system description uses the term polytechnic.

First and second cycle higher education studies are measured in credits (opintopiste/studiepoäng). Study courses are quantified according to the work load required. One year of studies is equivalent to 1600 hours of student work on average and is defined as 60 credits. The credit system complies with the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation



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System (ECTS).

8.1. University degrees

The Government Decree on University Degrees (794/2004) defines the objectives, extent and overall structure of degrees. The universities decide on the detailed contents and structure of the degrees they award. They also decide on their curricula and forms of instruction.

8.1.1. First-cycle university degree

The first-cycle university degree consists of at least 180 credits (three years of full-time study). The degree is called kandidaatti/kandidat in all fields of study except Law (oikeusnotaari/rättsnotarie) and Pharmacy (farmaseutti/farmaceut). The determined English translation for all these degrees is Bachelor's degree, the most common degrees being the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science.

Studies leading to the degree provide the student with: (1) knowledge of the fundamentals of the major and minor subjects or corresponding study entities or studies included in the degree programme and the prerequisites for following developments in the field; (2) knowledge and skills needed for scientific thinking and the use of scientific methods or knowledge and skills needed for artistic work; (3) knowledge and skills needed for studies leading to a higher university degree and for continuous learning; (4) a capacity for applying the acquired knowledge and skills to work; and (5) adequate language and communication skills.

Studies leading to the degree may include: basic and intermediate studies; language and communication studies; interdisciplinary programmes; other studies and work practice for professional development. The degree includes a Bachelor's thesis (6 – 10 credits).

8.1.2. Second-cycle university degree

The second-cycle university degree consists of at least 120 credits (two years of full-time study). The extent of studies required for a programme leading to the second cycle university degree which is geared towards foreign students is a minimum of 90 credits. The degree is usually called maisteri/magister. Other second-cycle degree titles are diplomi-insinööri/diplomingenjör (Technology), proviisori/provisor (Pharmacy) and arkkitehti/arkitekt (Architecture). The determined English translation for all these degrees is Master's degree, the most common degrees being the Master of Arts or Master of Science. The second-cycle university degree title in the fields of Medicine, Veterinary Medicine and Dentistry is lisensiaatti/licentiat, the English title being Licentiate. The admission requirement for the second-cycle university degree is a first-cycle degree.

In the fields of Medicine and Dentistry the university may arrange the education leading to the second-cycle university degree without including a first-cycle university degree in the education. In Medicine the degree consists of 360 credits (six years of full-time study) and in Dentistry the degree consists of 300 credits (five years of full-time study).

Studies leading to the second-cycle university degree provide the student with: (1) good overall knowledge of the major subject or a corresponding entity and conversance with the fundamentals of the minor subject or good knowledge of the advanced studies included in the degree programme; (2) knowledge and skills needed to apply scientific knowledge and scientific methods or knowledge and skills needed for independent and demanding artistic work; (3) knowledge and skills needed for independently operating as an expert and developer of the field; (4) knowledge and skills needed for scientific or artistic postgraduate education; and (5) good language and communication skills.

The studies leading to the second-cycle university degree may include: basic and intermediate studies and advanced



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studies; language and communication studies; interdisciplinary study programmes; other studies; and internship improving expertise. The degree includes a Master's thesis (20 – 40 credits).

8.2. Doctoral degrees

Students can apply for doctoral studies after the completion of a relevant second-cycle degree. The aim of doctoral studies is to provide student with an in-depth knowledge of their field of research and capabilities to produce novel scientific knowledge independently.

A pre-doctoral degree of lisensiaatti/licentiat (Licentiate) may be taken before the Doctor's degree and in general it takes two years of full-time study to complete.

The Doctor's degree takes approximately four years to complete after the second-cycle degree or two further years following the pre-doctoral degree. A student who has been admitted to complete the Doctor's degree must complete a given amount of studies, show independent and critical thinking in the field of research and write a Doctor's dissertation and defend it in public.

8.3. Polytechnic degrees

The government decree on polytechnics (352/2003 including amendments) defines the objectives, extent and overall structure of polytechnic degrees. The Ministry of Education confirms the degree programmes of polytechnics, and within the framework of these regulations, the polytechnics decide on the content and structure of their degrees in more detail. The polytechnics also decide on their annual curricula and forms of instruction.

8.3.1. First-cycle polytechnic degrees

The first-cycle polytechnic degree consists of 180, 210 or 240 credits (three to four years of full-time study) depending on the field of study. For specific reasons, the Ministry of Education may confirm the scope of the degree to exceed 240 credits. The first-cycle polytechnic degree is called ammattikorkeakoulututkinto/yrkeshögskoleexamen. The determined English translation for the degree is Bachelor's degree. The degree titles indicate the field of study, e.g. Bachelor of Engineering or Bachelor of Health Care.

Studies leading to the degree provide the student with (1) broad overall knowledge and skills with relevant theoretical background for working as expert of the field; (2) knowledge and skills needed for following and advancing developments in the field; (3) knowledge and skills needed for continuous learning; (4) adequate language and communication skills; and (5) knowledge and skills required in the field internationally.

The first-cycle polytechnic degree comprises basic and professional studies, elective studies, a practical training period and a Bachelor's thesis or a final project.

8.3.2. The second-cycle polytechnic degrees

The second-cycle polytechnic degree consists of 60 or 90 credits (a year or a year and a half of full-time study). The degree is called ylempi ammattikorkeakoulututkinto/högre yrkeshögskoleexamen. The determined English translation for the second-cycle polytechnic degree is Master's degree. The degree titles indicate the field of study, e.g. Master of Culture and Arts or Master of Business Administration. Eligibility for second-cycle polytechnic degrees is given by a relevant first-cycle degree with at least three years of relevant work or artistic experience.



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Studies leading to the degree provide the student with (1) broad and advanced knowledge and skills for developing the professional field as well as the theoretical skills for working in demanding expert and leadership positions in the field; (2) profound understanding of the field, its relation to work life and society at large as well as the knowledge and skills needed for following and analysing both theoretical and professional developments in the field; (3) capacity for life-long learning and continuous development of one's own expertise (4) good language and communication skills required in work life; and (5) knowledge and skills needed to function and communicate in the field internationally.

The second-cycle polytechnic degree comprises advanced professional studies, elective studies and a final thesis or a final project.

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Name of student 1000205 [REDACTED]

Degree programme **Degree Programme in Social Work** 210,00 cr
Completed 210,00 cr

<u>Study modules and study units</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Grade</u>	
BASIC STUDIES	58,00 cr		
Learning skills	8,00 cr		
Studying at the University of Applied Sciences	3,00 cr	H	Passed
Information skills	2,00 cr	H	Passed
Information technology	3,00 cr	4	Good
Language studies	6,00 cr		
English	3,00 cr	2	Satisfactory
Swedish	3,00 cr		
Written Swedish	1,50 cr	1	Satisfactory
Spoken Swedish	1,50 cr	2	Satisfactory
Finnish language and communication skills	6,00 cr		
Basics of written and oral communication	2,00 cr	4	Good
Oral communication	2,00 cr	4	Good
Academic writing	2,00 cr	3	Good
Professional development	9,00 cr		
Professional development	3,00 cr	H	Passed
Professional fields of social work and social services	3,00 cr	H	Passed
Ethics of social work	3,00 cr	4	Good
Social services providing social security	17,00 cr		
Finnish society and economy	3,00 cr	3	Good
Public, private and community-based social welfare services	3,00 cr	5	Excellent
Legislation and social welfare	3,00 cr	3	Good
Practical field period: Social services providing social security	8,00 cr	p1) H	Passed
Social welfare and social participation	12,00 cr		
Individual in society	6,00 cr	4	Good
Social, mental and health problems	6,00 cr	4	Good
PROFESSIONAL STUDIES	139,00 cr		
Alternative social sector options	26,00 cr		
Disability and handicap in the life course	8,00 cr	4	Good
Social services and social security benefits	2,00 cr	4	Good
Professional essay	4,00 cr	3	Good
Analysis of contemporary practices in social work	2,00 cr	H	Passed
Practical field period: Psychosocial social work methods	10,00 cr	p2) H	Passed
Psychosocial social work methods	20,00 cr		
Basics of social work	3,00 cr	4	Good
Psychosocial work	3,00 cr	4	Good
Family work	4,00 cr	4	Good
Case management	4,00 cr	3	Good
Social work with adults	3,00 cr	5	Excellent
Social rehabilitation	3,00 cr	4	Good
Community work and creative methods	26,00 cr		
Creative activities 1	4,00 cr	H	Passed



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Study modules and study units

	<u>Length</u>	<u>Grade</u>	
Creative activities 2	4,00 cr	H	Passed
Project work	3,00 cr	4	Good
Social work with groups	3,00 cr	4	Good
Community work	3,00 cr	3	Good
Practical field period: Community work and creative methods in social work	9,00 cr	p3) H	Passed
Organizing, managing and developing social services	27,00 cr		
Organizing social services	3,00 cr	4	Good
Development, quality management and evaluation skills	5,00 cr	5	Excellent
Management and leadership	4,00 cr	4	Good
Entrepreneurship in social services and health care	3,00 cr	H	Passed
Practical field period: Organizing, managing and developing social services	12,00 cr	p4) H	Passed
Empowerment methods in social work	15,00 cr		
Contemporary society in theoretical frameworks	3,00 cr	4	Good
Social work and multicultural groups	3,00 cr	1	Satisfactory
Critical and Radical Social Work	3,00 cr	4	Good
Practical field period: Empowerment methods in social work	6,00 cr	p5) H	Passed
Social research	25,00 cr		
People and community as source of information	2,00 cr	H	Passed
Qualitative research methods	3,00 cr	4	Good
Quantitative research methods	3,00 cr	3	Good
Action research	2,00 cr	4	Good
Thesis	15,00 cr	p6) 4	Good
OPTIONAL STUDIES	13,00 cr		
Basics of social care	2,00 cr	H	Passed
Crisis intervention in social work	2,00 cr	3	Good
Medical care	3,00 cr	H	Passed
Work, living and basic security, literature	3,00 cr	5	Excellent
Integration and risks of exclusion during adolescence, literature	3,00 cr	4	Good
Practical training			
Practical training	45,00 cr		
p1) Service center for the elderly people, Ilmajoki	8,00 cr		
p2) Work training center for mentally disabled, Seinäjoki	10,00 cr		
p3) Preventive work for substance addiction, Seinäjoki	9,00 cr		
p4) Activity center for people in mental health rehabilitation, Seinäjoki	12,00 cr		
p5) Work training center for people in mental health rehabilitation, Seinäjoki	6,00 cr		
Thesis			
p6) [REDACTED]	15,00 cr	4	Good



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The student has acquired the language skills in Swedish required of state officials functioning in a position requiring a higher education in a bilingual office according to the Act (424/2003, 6 §) with a grade of Satisfactory in written language skills and Satisfactory in spoken language skills. The student has also acquired the language skills in Swedish necessary for practicing the profession and for further professional development (Decree 352/2003, 8 §, 1). The student has gained such oral and written skills in the obligatory English language required by the degree programme that are necessary for practising the profession and for further professional development (Decree 352/2003, 8 §, 2). The student has received the school education in the Finnish language and completed the maturity test in the Finnish language.

Seinäjoki 24 May 2013

Päivi Rinne

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Head of Degree Programme

