Satakunta University of Applied Sciences
Admissions Criteria, Spring 2020
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Admission Criteria for Programmes Tuitioned in English 2020

Bachelor’s Degree Programmes

Application periods

Satakunta University of Applied Sciences (SAMK) has Bachelor’s degree programmes in two different application periods:

- Joint application to higher education: spring 2020, 8–22 January 2020 (the application period ends on 22 January 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Finnish time)
- Separate applications to SAMK:
  - SAMK Admission I, Spring 2020, 8–22 January 2020 (the application period ends on 22 January 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Finnish time) and
  - SAMK Admission II, Spring 2020, 11 March – 1 April 2020 (the application period ends on 1 April 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Finnish time)

Each programme is available only either in the joint application or in the separate applications. Read carefully from the programme descriptions, in which application you should apply to the programme that you prefer.

The difference between the application periods is that in the joint application you can apply to up to six different degree programmes in different universities and universities of applied sciences in Finland with one application. The results of the student selection are given at latest on 5 June, 2020.

In the separate applications you can apply to the degree programmes available in SAMK. You can choose the application period you prefer. In the Degree Programme of Nursing you can only go through the admission procedure once: you can have one try of the entrance examination and one admission result in spring 2020. The results are given from SAMK Admission I by 20 March, 2020, and from SAMK Admission II by 22 May, 2020.

If you’re offered a study place from these application periods or any application period of a Finnish higher education institution, you’re allowed to confirm only one study place for studies starting in Autumn 2020 from a Finnish university or university of applied sciences

Eligibility for Bachelor’s degree programmes

Provisions on eligibility for universities of applied sciences are contained in the Polytechnics Act (932/2014).

You can apply to a Bachelor’s degree programme if you have completed:

- the Finnish general upper secondary school syllabus and/or the matriculation examination;
- an International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma;
- a European Baccalaureate (EB) Diploma;
- Reifeprüfung (RP) Diploma;
• a Finnish vocational upper secondary qualification with a scope of 120 credit units or 180 credit points, or a comparable previous Finnish vocational qualification with a minimum scope of 80 credit units;
• a Finnish post-secondary or higher vocational level diploma;
• a Finnish vocational upper secondary qualification or a further or specialist vocational qualification as a competence-based qualification, or a comparable previous qualification; or
• foreign qualification that provides eligibility for higher education studies in the country in question.

A higher education degree does not confer eligibility to Bachelor’s degree programmes in SAMK.

SAMK doesn’t have discretionary admission, i.e. the possibility to apply without an eligible background education, to its degree programmes.

Proving eligibility

Applicants must have completed the qualification used in the application procedure in time for a copy of the certificate to reach the relevant university of applied sciences by the deadline specified in advance following the publication of admission results (see the Schedule Appendix).

Applicants with a Finnish qualification certificate need not submit copies of their certificates, as only the certificates of those admitted as students will be checked. However, this does not apply to applicants who have taken the Finnish matriculation examination prior to 1990, as they will need to submit copies of their certificates to the admissions offices of the relevant universities of applied sciences by the deadline specified in advance (see the Schedule Appendix).

In order to prove their eligibility, applicants with a non-Finnish qualification certificate must submit a copy of the final certificate used as the basis for application by the deadline specified in advance (see the Schedule Appendix) to the admissions office of the university of applied sciences marked as the first choice on their application form, which will then decide on each applicant’s eligibility for all UAS programmes they have selected. This is not applicable to applicants who complete their foreign qualification during or after the application period.

Those applying with an IB, EB or RP Diploma will need to submit certificate copies by a deadline specified in advance (see the Schedule Appendix).

In addition, each applicant must submit a copy of his or her qualification certificate translated into Finnish, Swedish or English by an official (authorised) translator if the original document is in none of these languages. Such translations must be signed and stamped by the translator. The translations must be submitted by the deadline specified in advance (see the Schedule Appendix) to the admissions offices of the relevant universities of applied sciences. Only final qualification certificates can be accepted; no provisional or temporary certificates will be accepted.

A person with refugee status or an asylum seeker may apply and be accepted to study in education just as any other eligible citizen of Finland or any other country.

If the applicant is a refugee, has status comparable to a refugee or is an asylum seeker, and he or she cannot thus verify his or her previous degree with relevant documentation, the higher education institution may invite the applicant to take an entrance exam or, if necessary, submit the application for academic assessment. The higher education institution of the degree programme will use the report requested from the applicant as basis for making the decision on whether the documentation on the previous degree is sufficient.

The applicant must have a decision by the authorities concerning his or her status (decision on asylum or residence permit on the basis of protection). The applicant must submit a copy of the relevant decision
within a previously notified time limit to the admissions services of all the higher education institutions where he or she is applying (see appendix with timetables).

In order to declare his or her status, an asylum seeker who has not yet been granted a decision may verify his or her status by presenting an identity card with his or her photograph granted by Migri and, when required by the degree programme, a fee-based (€20) pending application by Migri that states that the applicant is permitted to legally reside in Finland during the time when his or her case is being processed, i.e. until a lawful decision has been made on the case.

**Applying through discretionary admission**

Satakunta University of Applied Sciences doesn’t use discretionary admission for its degree programmes.

**Evidence of language proficiency as part of admissions**

**Finnish language test**
Satakunta University of Applied sciences doesn’t organise a Finnish language test or require result of any Finnish language test for admission.

**English language proficiency**
Good skills in English are required for success in degree programmes provided in English. In those programmes that use entrance exams, applicant’s language skills are measured in the entrance exam. Adequate results from accepted international English language tests give applicant extra point in student selected programmes.

**Accessible student admission – special arrangements for entrance examinations**

An applicant may submit a separate application to request the right to special arrangements for taking an entrance examination. The same application form is used by all higher education institutions, and it can be found on the website of each institution. The application should indicate the types of special arrangements being requested and the grounds for the request. The applicant should enclose copies of the certificates to which he or she makes appeal.

Please note: Documents verifying dyslexia must have been issued within the last 5 (five) years. In addition, documents verifying a permanent disability, illness or learning disability must have been issued within the last 5 (five) years. The period of validity of other documents will be decided case-by-case.

In cases where an issue entitling an applicant to special arrangements already exists during the application period, an application for special arrangements for entrance examinations must be submitted by the common deadline decided by the universities of applied sciences (see the Schedule Appendix). The applicant must submit a separate application to each university of applied sciences to which he or she has submitted an application. A university of applied sciences may provide additional instructions, for example related to two-stage admissions. The application should be submitted to the admissions offices of the relevant higher education institutions.

If an issue entitling an applicant to special arrangements emerges or is identified between the end of the application period and the entrance examination date, the applicant must submit an application for special arrangements to the admissions offices of each university of applied sciences arranging the entrance examinations that he or she intends to take without delay. A university of applied sciences may deny an applicant the right to special arrangements if such arrangements are impossible to implement, for example because of schedule-related reasons.
Decisions on special arrangements for entrance examinations are specific to each programme choice and a decision is only valid on a specific examination date. Procedures indicated by good governance must be followed when making the decisions. Any attachments to applications for special arrangements shall be secret.
Bachelor’s Degree Programmes in the joint application

The first application period of joint application to higher education in Finland takes place from 8 January to 22 January, 2020. The application period ends on 22 January, 2020, at 3.00 p.m. Finnish time.

Satakunta University of Applied Sciences has one Bachelor’s degree programme available in the joint application:

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<th>CAMPUS</th>
<th>APPLICATION PERIOD</th>
<th>STARTING PLACES</th>
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<tr>
<td>Degree Programme in Physiotherapy, Bachelor of Health Care, full-time studies</td>
<td>Pori</td>
<td>Joint application I: spring 2020</td>
<td>22</td>
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Admissions criteria in the joint application

In the joint application, SAMK uses only entrance examination points (selection method 1) in the student selection. Applicants are not given admission points by their previous school success or work experience.

If the criteria fail to produce a difference between tied applicants, SAMK admits all of the equally ranked applicants. SAMK may cancel admission if an applicant fails to submit qualification certificates by the specified deadline, or if an applicant has provided false information.

The maximum admission score is as follows:

**SELECTION METHOD: ENTRANCE EXAMINATION**

Degree Programme in Physiotherapy organizes entrance examination on **20-21 April 2020** (1-day exam for each applicant).

The examination cannot be replaced with any other entrance examination or test result, and the examination result doesn’t replace any other examination result. All eligible applicants are invited to the examination in Pori, Finland. The result is valid only in the application round of Spring 2020.

Entrance examination includes the following parts:

- A teacher’s interview, 25 points.
- A small group test. The following things are tested: working in a small group, co-operative skills, coordination and body awareness, 25 points.

The maximum score from the entrance exam is 70 points. The applicant is required to get at least 30 points from the examination to be eligible for student selection. The applicant is also required to get at least 8 points from each part of the exam and have his/her written and spoken English skills found adequate in the written part and in the interview.

**Student selection**

All eligible applicants are invited to the entrance examination in Pori, Finland.
Student selection is done in the order of points given from the entrance examination. Possible student selection for reserve places is also done in the order of points given from the entrance examination.

The applicant can get at most 70 points from the entrance examination, and the required point minimum to pass the test is 30 points. Applicant has to complete all parts of the examination acceptably.

Those applying to study in the field of Health Care and Social Services must have a sufficient good health status and functional capacity to be capable of completing practical assignments and work placement periods as part of the studies. Information about health requirements in this field is available on UAS websites and on the Opintopolku.fi (Studyinfo.fi) service.

Those applying to the field should bear in mind that:

- studying and working in a profession of this field require good mental balance;
- the field is not suitable for illegal drug users or for alcohol or legal drug abusers;
- conditions such as musculoskeletal diseases, chronic skin diseases, allergies and mental health disorders may lead to health issues during studies or later in working life;
- several operational units of social and health care treat patients that are exposed to infections, and work in those units requires that the staff’s immunisation is in order.

Satakunta University of Applied Sciences may cancel admission for the following reasons:

- an applicant fails to submit certificates by the deadline specified by the university of applied sciences
- an applicant has provided false information about his or her grades
- it is obvious that the student, in terms of his or her health status and functional capacity, does not meet the admissions criteria (Polytechnics Act 932/2014)
- an applicant has concealed the cancellation of his or her prior study entitlement (Polytechnics Act 932/2014).
Bachelor’s Degree Programmes in the separate applications

The separate applications of Satakunta University of Applied Sciences take place:

- SAMK Admission I, Spring 2020, 8–22 January 2020 (the application period ends on 22 January 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Finnish time) and
- SAMK Admission II, Spring 2020, 11 March – 1 April 2020 (the application period ends on 1 April 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Finnish time)

Satakunta University of Applied Sciences has eight Bachelor’s degree programmes tuitioned in English in the separate applications:

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<td>Degree Programme in International Business, Bachelor of Business Administration, full-time studies</td>
<td>Rauma</td>
<td>SAMK Admissions I &amp; II, Spring 2020</td>
<td>40 in total</td>
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<tr>
<td>Degree Programme in Industrial Management, Bachelor of Engineering, blended learning</td>
<td>Rauma</td>
<td>SAMK Admission II, Spring 2020</td>
<td>20</td>
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<tr>
<td>Degree Programme in Logistics, Bachelor of Engineering, blended learning</td>
<td>Rauma</td>
<td>SAMK Admission II, Spring 2020</td>
<td>20</td>
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<td>Degree Programme in Maritime Management/Sea Captain, Bachelor of Marine Technology, full-time studies</td>
<td>Rauma</td>
<td>SAMK Admissions I &amp; II, Spring 2020</td>
<td>25 in total</td>
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<tr>
<td>Degree Programme in International Tourism Management, Bachelor of Hospitality Management, full-time studies</td>
<td>Pori</td>
<td>SAMK Admissions I &amp; II, Spring 2020</td>
<td>30 in total</td>
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<tr>
<td>Degree Programme in Nursing, Bachelor of Health Care, full-time studies</td>
<td>Pori</td>
<td>SAMK Admissions I &amp; II, Spring 2020</td>
<td>30 in total</td>
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<td>Degree Programme in Artificial Intelligence, Bachelor of Business Administration, full-time studies</td>
<td>Pori</td>
<td>SAMK Admissions I &amp; II, Spring 2020</td>
<td>50 in total</td>
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<td>Degree Programme in Robotics, Bachelor of Engineering, full-time studies</td>
<td>Pori</td>
<td>SAMK Admissions I &amp; II, Spring 2020</td>
<td>50 in total</td>
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Student selection in the separate applications, Degree Programme in Nursing

The entrance examination consists of two parts:

1. Written exam
2. Online interview

Written exam measures applicant’s learning skills, mathematical skills, motivation and understanding of written English. The time for the written exam will be limited.

In the online interview, applicant will be interviewed through a video negotiation platform with his/her own computer, webcam, headset/microphone and Internet connection. Applicant’s skills of understanding and producing spoken English are measured. Applicant is given a time of 20 minutes for the interview by invitation – the applicant cannot change the date and the time of the interview.

The entrance will be instructed to eligible applicants by e-mail before the examination opens. There will be more detailed information in Studyinfo.fi about the examination.
Both parts of the entrance examination of the Degree Programme in Nursing are organized, and the directions are sent by e-mail according to the schedule below:

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<th>Application period</th>
<th>Instructions for the examination</th>
<th>Examination open period</th>
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<td>by 14 February, 2020</td>
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<tr>
<td>SAMK Admission II</td>
<td>by 17 April, 2020</td>
<td>In the end of April, 2020, detailed dates and times to be announced</td>
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Each applicant has only one try for the online entrance examination, so applicants of SAMK Admission I cannot apply in SAMK Admission II.

Special requirements for Degree Programme in Nursing

Those applying to study in the field of Health Care and Social Services must have a sufficient good health status and functional capacity to be capable of completing practical assignments and work placement periods as part of the studies. Information about health requirements in this field is available on UAS websites and on the Opintopolku.fi (Studyinfo.fi) service.

Those applying to the field should bear in mind that:

- studying and working in a profession of this field require good mental balance;
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- an applicant has provided false information about his or her grades
- it is obvious that the student, in terms of his or her health status and functional capacity, does not meet the admissions criteria (Polytechnics Act 932/2014)
- an applicant has concealed the cancellation of his or her prior study entitlement (Polytechnics Act 932/2014).

Student selection in the separate applications, Degree Programmes in Industrial Management and Logistics

Degree Programme in Industrial Management, Rauma
Degree Programme in Logistics, Rauma

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION COURSE

Degree Programmes in Industrial Management and Logistics have their own entrance examination course in SAMK Admission II in spring 2020. The degree programmes do not accept any other entrance examination results, and their entrance examination course is not accepted in any other degree programme in Satakunta University of Applied Sciences or in any other university.
The student selection of the degree programmes in Industrial Management and Logistics is completed with an online entrance examination course during spring 2020. Applicant can get up to 100 points from the course, and applicant is required to get at least 35 points to be available for selection. In addition, each task given within the course has to be returned by the given deadline. If applicant gets less than 35 points or if he/she doesn’t return all given tasks, he/she will be considered to have failed the course and can not be accepted to either degree programme.

The schedule for registering for and completing the entrance examination course (the exact dates and times are given at Studyinfo.fi):

• The enrolment period for the course starts at the address given in the programme descriptions at Studyinfo.fi on 11 March, 2020.
• The entrance examination course starts on 30 March, 2020.
• The application period of SAMK Admissions II: Wednesday 11 March, 2020 – Wednesday 1 April, 2020, at 3.00 p.m. Finnish time at http://studyinfo.fi.
• The enrolment period for the course ends on 15 April, 2020, at 3:00 p.m Finnish time.
• The entrance examination course ends on 30 May, 2020.
• The results of the student selection are given at latest on Wednesday 17 June, 2020.

The entrance examination course is organized on the e-learning environment provided by SAMK. The instructions for registering to the e-learning environment and logging in to the entrance examination course are sent to the e-mail address given during the course enrolment.

It’s recommended to enroll for the course so, that the applicant can start the course on Monday 30 March, 2020. It’s allowed to enroll for the course until 15 April, 2020, at 3.00 p.m. Finnish time, but it may be challenging to complete the course in shorter time than it’s been planned.

The entrance examination course is an online course of 3 ECTS credits belonging to the curricula of both degree programmes. The subject of the course is given to those who enroll for it. Applicants who are selected to the degree programme and who confirm their study place will have the course included to their degree studies. Other applicants who complete the course acceptably will receive a certificate of completed open university studies.

Students are not sent any reminders about applying in SAMK Admission II or enrolling for the entrance examination course. Enrolling for the course is not considered to be application or initiating application.

Student selection in the separate applications, other Bachelor’s degree programmes

Degree Programme in International Business, Rauma
Degree Programme in Maritime Management/Sea Captain, Rauma
Degree Programme in International Tourism Management, Pori
Degree Programme in Artificial Intelligence, Pori
Degree Programme in Robotics, Pori
SELECTION METHOD 1: FINNISH MATRICULATION CERTIFICATE AND IB, EB & RP COMPLETED IN FINLAND

Applicants with Finnish matriculation certificate will be selected with the points they receive from their grades. Points are given according to this table:

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<td>English, basic</td>
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<td>Mother tongue (Finnish/Swedish)</td>
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<td>Mathematics, advanced</td>
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<td>4</td>
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The points for International Baccalaureate, European Baccalaureate and Reifeprüfung completed in Finland are given according the attached Conversion Table of International Matriculation Exams.

Students are selected in the order of total points received from the grades. Maximum of total points is 18 points, and applicant is required to get at least 12 points to be available for student selection.

The points for the Finnish matriculation examination are given from results available by 20 May, 2020. Only students who have got the matriculation certificate by 29 May, 2020, can be selected with this method.

Results of the student selection

Results of the student selection are given by 29 May, 2020, for both admission periods.

SELECTION METHOD 2: PAPER SELECTION FOR APPLICANTS WITH FOREIGN CERTIFICATE

Applicants with foreign certificate will get a total score from their 2nd year or final certificate (upper secondary school, high school, vocational school) or its transcript of records, required English language test result and study probability coefficient.

Scoring the certificate

The score from their 2nd year certificate or final certificate or transcript of records will get a score from 0 to 5 according to a subjective evaluation of certificates of all foreign applicants who apply to the degree programme in the application round in question. In the evaluation the certificate type, GPA and single grades (especially English and mathematics) will be taken into account. Best applicants will receive 5 points, second best 4 points, and so on. If a certificate is suspected a fake, applicant will receive 0 points. If a certificate is from wrong level, i.e. not from upper secondary school, high school or vocational school, applicant will receive 0 points. Points are given from one certificate only.

Scoring the English language test result

Applicant gets extra 1 point from an adequate and valid IELTS or PTE Academic result. The extra point is given to applicants, who have either IELTS overall band score of at least 6.0 or PTE Academic overall score of at least 51.

Study probability coefficient

Applicant’s study probability coefficient is counted for the country the applicant lives in according to poverty rate (gross domestic product, GDP, per capita), corruption rank (Corruption Perception Index, CPI) and the
nature of previous residence permit decisions by Finnish Immigration Service for the country where the applicant lives in. At highest, applicant’s study probability coefficient is 1.0. The coefficient is brought down by 0.2 by each of the following factors:

- If according to the latest available figures of the International Monetary Fund, the country’s GDP per capita is found insufficient, the coefficient is brought down by 0.2.
- If according to the latest available ranks of the Transparency International, the country’s Corruption Perception Index is found too high, the coefficient is brought down by 0.2.
- If the latest 12 months statistics of students’ 1st time residence permit decisions of Finnish Immigration Service show that the share of negative decisions is too high, the coefficient is brought down by 0.2.

Thus, the study probability coefficient can be 1.0 at its highest and 0.4 at its lowest.

**Counting the final score**

The final score is counted by summing up the certificate score (max 5 points) and the language test score (max 1 point) and multiplying the sum by the study probability coefficient (1.0…0.4). The maximum final score is 6 points, and applicant is required to get at least 2.5 points to be available for student selection. Applicants are selected as students i.e. offered study places in the order of their final scores.

**Results of the student selection**

Results of the student selection are given by 28 February, 2020, for SAMK Admissions I, and by 15 May, 2020, for SAMK Admissions II.

If applicant has been selected as student based on his/her 2nd year certificate, the selection is conditional. Applicant selected as student is required to present certificates that prove his/her eligibility, by 15 July, 2020.

**SELECTION METHOD 3: ONLINE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION FOR APPLICANTS WITH FINNISH BACKGROUND EDUCATION**

The entrance examination consists of an online examination. This selection method is offered only to students with Finnish background education, who don’t get selected with their matriculation exam results (selection method 3).

To pass the online examination and to be available for student selection, the applicant is required to get at least 30 points from the maximum 100 points. The students are selected from those applicants who pass the examination, in the order of points received.

Online examination measures applicant’s learning skills, logical skills, mathematical skills and understanding of written English. There may be additional or substitutive parts for the online entrance exam of each programme. Each applicant has 2 hours to complete the exam after starting it.

The online entrance examination is organized so that the entrance exam is open from 25 May, 2020, at 6 p.m. to 27 May, 2020, at 6 p.m. for applicants of both admission periods. The instructions for taking the entrance exam are sent to applicants entitled to take the exam by 20 May, 2020. Results of the student selection are given by 8 June, 2020.

**DESIRED QUOTAS OF EACH SELECTION METHOD IN EACH PROGRAMME**
The desired quotas of intake for each degree programme are:

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<tr>
<td>Degree Programme in Maritime Management/Sea Captain, Bachelor of Marine Technology, full-time studies</td>
<td>40 %</td>
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<td>Degree Programme in International Tourism Management, Bachelor of Hospitality Management, full-time studies</td>
<td>30 %</td>
<td>50 %</td>
<td>20 %</td>
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<tr>
<td>Degree Programme in Artificial Intelligence, Bachelor of Business Administration, full-time studies</td>
<td>20 %</td>
<td>70 %</td>
<td>10 %</td>
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Special requirements for Degree Programme in Maritime Management/Sea Captain

**Medical certificate**

Any applicant admitted as a student of Maritime Management must submit a medical certificate issued by a seamen’s health centre to the university of applied sciences no later than 6 September 2020. The medical certificate should show that:

- the individual’s visual and auditory acuity and colour vision conform to the requirements laid down in the relevant Decree issued by the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health;
- the individual is fit for the intended duties in terms of his or her health status and functional capacity and does not have any disability or illness that would prevent or clearly complicate his or her work;
- the individual does not suffer from a disease that can be expected to worsen at work or endanger maritime safety or the health of others on board a vessel.

The university of applied sciences may cancel admission if an applicant fails to submit a medical certificate by the specified deadline, or if an applicant cannot be considered fit to study on a Seafaring programme based on the certificate provided.

**Cancellation of study right**

Seafaring programmes are governed by section 33 of the Polytechnics Act (932/2014), which states that a student’s study right may be cancelled in cases where studies involve requirements concerning customer or transport safety and the student has been found to be unsuitable for the studies because

- the student has repeatedly or seriously endangered the health or safety of another person during his or her studies, thus proving to be obviously unsuitable to perform practical assignments or work placements as part of his or her studies;
- it is obvious that the student, in terms of his or her health status and functional capacity, does not meet the admissions criteria;
- during the application phase, the student has concealed information on a decision on cancellation of study entitlement that could have prevented his or her admission as a student.
MASTER’S DEGREE PROGRAMMES

Satakunta University of Applied Sciences has these Master’s degree programmes tuitioned in English available in the separate application in spring 2020 (only SAMK Admission II):

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Application periods

Satakunta University of Applied Sciences (SAMK) has Master’s degree programmes in one application period:

- SAMK Admission II, Spring 2020, 11 March – 1 April 2020 (the application period ends on 1 April 2020 at 3:00 p.m.).

All eligible applicants are invited to take the online entrance examination, and the students are selected in the order of the entrance examination points. The online entrance examination is open for three days on 22–24 April, 2020. The results of the student selection are given by 15 May, 2020.

If you’re offered a study place from this or any application period of a Finnish higher education institution, you’re allowed to confirm only one study place for studies starting in Autumn 2020 from a Finnish university or university of applied sciences.

Eligibility for Master’s degree programmes

Eligibility for a UAS Master’s degree programme is conferred by an appropriate UAS Bachelor’s degree or another appropriate higher education degree and at least two years of subsequent work experience in a relevant field. As a relevant field is regarded both the field being applied to and the field of the previous higher education degree.
Educational requirements

Required higher education degrees for the Master’s Degree programmes in SAMK are:

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<td>1) a Finnish UAS Degree: Bachelor of Health Care/Social Services/Social Services and Health Care (e.g. Nursing, Physiotherapy, Rehabilitation, Elderly Care or Social Services) or 2) a corresponding non-Finnish higher education degree</td>
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<td>Degree Programme in Welfare Technology, Master of Engineering (60 ECTS), part-time studies</td>
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For each Master’s degree programme those Finnish professional higher level degrees and polytechnic degrees (in Finnish: ammatillisen korkea-asteen tutkinnot ja opistoasteen tutkinnot) are eligible which have a similar field with the eligible higher education degree. These degrees should have the graduation date in the year 2000 or earlier to be eligible.

Applicants must complete the degree used in the application procedure by the end of the application period. The scanned copy (PDF file) of the degree certificate should be attached to the application form. If a certificate is issued in a language other than Finnish, Swedish or English, the applicant must submit a copy of the certificate translated into Finnish, Swedish or English by an official (authorised) translator to the admissions office of SAMK either as an attachment of the application form or by e-mail to admissions@samk.fi.

If an applicant is a refugee or in a refugee-like situation and is unable to submit documentary evidence of his or her qualification, SAMK can invite the applicant to sit an entrance examination or take any advance assignment submitted by the specified deadline into account. The applicant must have an official decision attesting to his or her refugee status (a decision to grant asylum or a residence permit issued based on the need for protection). The applicant must submit a copy of this decision to the admissions office during the application period.

Work experience requirements

In order to be eligible, applicants must have 24 months (two years) of work experience in a relevant field from the date of award of the final degree certificate and obtained by 31 July, 2020. SAMK also accepts work
experience obtained after completion of a post-secondary or higher vocational level diploma in Finland (in any field of education) but prior to graduating for the higher education degree. In such cases, too, at least two years of work experience obtained in a relevant field is required.

Entrepreneurship in a relevant field will be accepted as work experience if an applicant can produce a certificate attesting that he or she is or has been covered under the statutory YEL or MYEL pension scheme. (YEL = statutory pension scheme for entrepreneurs; MYEL = statutory pension scheme for farmers, forest estate owners, fishers and reindeer herders and their family members). Enterprising activities abroad should be substantiated with comparable official documents.

Work experience is given in full months. When converting part-time work (work under 35 hours per week) into its full-time equivalent, 150 hours or 20 working days lasting at least 7 hours per day correspond to one month of work. Work experience does not have to be continuous or obtained with the same employer. The amount of work experience for simultaneous employment relationships may not exceed the amount awarded for full-time employment.

Work certificates should be attached to the application form.

**English language proficiency**

Excellent skills in English are required for success in degree programmes provided in English. The applicants’ language proficiency is assessed in the entrance examination.

**Submitting degree and work certificates**

Copies of the degree and work certificates are checked before the applicant is accepted to the degree programme. Original certificates are checked when the student starts his/her studies. If any of the certificates is found false or if the applicant has given false information about his/her degree, SAMK may cancel the admission.

Work experience must be verified with an employment certificate provided by the employer. An employment certificate must indicate details such as the exact start and end dates of employment, the employer’s contact information, work duties, as well as working hours for part-time work. If the employment continues, the applicant should request a temporary employment certificate from the employer.

If an original employment certificate is in a language other than Finnish, Swedish or English, the applicant must submit a copy of the certificate translated into Finnish, Swedish or English by an official (authorised) translator, bearing the translator’s name, signature and stamp, along with the copy of the original certificate to the admissions office of SAMK.
Admissions criteria and entrance examinations

Students are selected based on their success in the entrance examination.

Degree Programme in Rehabilitation

Degree Programme in Rehabilitation organizes its entrance examination during 22–24 April 2020. The examination cannot be replaced with any other entrance examination or test result, and the examination result doesn’t replace any other examination result. The result is valid only in the application round of Spring 2020.

The entrance examination is organized online. It consists of written exam based on given material and an instructed video presentation. For the written exam, participants are given pre-reading material on the examination platform beforehand. Applicant has one hour for answering the questions based on the pre-reading material in the written exam. The video presentation should be approximately three minutes long.

Applicant is required to have a computer, webcam and a reliable Internet connection for taking the exam. Detailed information about the entrance examination and instructions for completing the examination will be sent to eligible applicants by e-mail by 15 April, 2020.

In the entrance examination applicant is required to get at least 40 points out of the maximum 100 points to be eligible for student selection. Students are selected solely in the order of examination points. If there are applicants with the same examination score and if at least one of these applicants would be entitled for selection, all applicants with the same score are selected as students.

Degree Programme in Welfare Technology (all programmes)

Degree Programme in Welfare Technology organizes its entrance examination during 22–24 April 2020. The examination cannot be replaced with any other entrance examination or test result, and the examination result doesn’t replace any other examination result. The result is valid only in the application round of Spring 2020.

The entrance examination is organized online. It consists of written exam based on given material and an instructed video presentation. The written exam contains three different types of assignments. Minimum 40% of maximum points in each assignment is required for pass. All examination material is available at the examination platform. Applicant has three hours for reading the material and answering the questions in the written exam. The video presentation should be approximately three minutes long.

Applicant is required to have a computer, webcam and a reliable Internet connection for taking the exam. Detailed information about the entrance examination and instructions for completing the examination will be sent to eligible applicants by e-mail by 15 April, 2020.

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Accessible student admission – special arrangements for entrance examinations

Special arrangements are not available for the online entrance examinations of Master’s degree programmes.
**SCHEDULE APPENDIX**

**Deadlines for submitting certificates, appendices etc. in 2020**

**BACHELOR’S DEGREE PROGRAMMES – BOTH JOINT APPLICATION APPLICATION PERIOD I AND SAMK ADMISSIONS I & II**

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<td>2) Copy of the final certificate of applicants who complete an RP or EB diploma during the application period</td>
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