

Meet your tutors!

Hello you!

Congrats, you're now a physiotherapy student in SAMK!

This means that you are now part of one of those two classes:

- PH22 class (Physiotherapy 2022 - International group)
- FY22 (Fysioterapeutti 2022 - Suomalainen ryhmä)

And this also means that you will have 6 amazing tutors (us) from 2nd year international and Finnish physiotherapy classes, to help you start off your studies smoothly AND to show you the best places and parties in Pori.

You will also get a PowerPoint with key information and important advice about things you need to do before arriving here. Make sure you read it all; it was hell for many of us to do some administrative stuff while starting the studies, so if you do them before getting here it'll make your life a lot easier ;)

And last but not least, here's a WhatsApp group for you to connect with both Finnish and International class, and for us to send you information throughout your studies. You will then have your tutors' number, and you can ask us pretty much anything. We'll be there for you until you graduate; just remember we are also students :)

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Dusn4aLICK91s1lVFsLfLv>



Atte Ahonpää



- Country/city: Tampere/Pori, Finland
- Age: 21
- Fun fact: I am too good at beer pong.

Hello! My name is Atte I'm the youngest and the drunkest of the group. I'm also gonna be your head tutor. I come from Tampere but now I'm living in Pori which is the best place in the world (definitely not a lie). During my free time I like to party and do sports. I was a swimmer for 11 years and now I'm coaching children.

Things to know about me: Whatever you have on your mind you can come and talk to me, I will always be at the parties, and you can count on me for staying until the end, I'm very chill and easy going.

Gongrats for once more getting in to SAMK, we gonna have so much fun when you arrive here.

If you wanna contact me, here is my socials:

IG: attemikael

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Bastian Haber



- Country: Germany
- Age: 24
- Fun fact/something you like: I love board sports.

Hello, you can call me Basti. I am living in Finland for 3 years now, enjoying the nature and life as much as possible. Love the seemingly endless summer just as much as the endless winter. Physically active every day and love to go on hikes with my dog. If you need help with anything I am happy to just listen and support you. Insider information about good outdoor places needed? Just ask me!

Ada Filppa



- Country/city: Finland, Pori/Naantali
- Age: 22
- Fun fact/something you like: I love photography and wearing sunglasses no matter the weather!

Hi! My name is Ada. People usually call me just Ada or by my last name Filppa either one works. I'm the only one from the Finnish group. I grew up in Naantali and moved here in Pori last summer. I also previously lived in Dublin for half of a year and three years in Järvenpää when I was studying to become a youth instructor.

I spend my time making social media, riding horses and cooking breakfast and brunch to my friends (I guess I'm the mom friend?) I'm addicted to movies, fashion and sports. I'm always ready to go out to have fun and dance all night long!

If you need help with anything or a person to just hang out with, I'm here. Finnish or English no matter the language.

You can contact me with:

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Snapchat: @khtagadess

Tiktok: @adafilppa

Yalin Yildiz



- Country: The Netherlands
- Age: 24
- Fun fact/something you like: I met Santa Claus on the 19th of August 2021!

Terve! My name is Yalin. I am looking forward to meeting all of you during the new semester. We will have a lot of fun (also serious) times. I moved to Pori in the end of July to study physiotherapy at SAMK. The process of registering to Finland as someone from an EU country was totally new to me and I remember that it was a pain in the ***. I would like to help you with this kind of stuff and make your moving a little easier. You are welcome to ask me anything and I will see what I can do to help you. I like partying, being outdoors and all kind of sports! See you next semester!

Matias Varamäki



- Country: Finland
- Age: 25 (26 by the time you get here)
- Fun fact: I have visited 12 other countries, some multiple times

Hi, my name is Matias, and I'm the oldest of the bunch. I'm originally from Kurikka and I've also lived in Vaasa, but now I have settled here in Pori for my studies.

I like pretty much all kinds of sports, but mostly team-oriented ones such as ice hockey. I also love to travel and there are still many countries left on my bucket list. On my leisure time I like to party, go out and listen to metal and rap music. If you have any concerns, questions or just want to have a chat, feel free to do so! Let's make these upcoming years memorable!

Marylou Winter



- Country: France
- Age: 21
- Fun fact/something you like: Making some music :)

Hey you :) First of all, congrats ! You are the chosen one. You might not know this, but getting in Samk as a Physio is pretty hard; there's around 600 applicants every year for international, and only 30 spots !

Then a bit about myself; I'm from the south of France, and decided to leave the sun and warmth to discover the Finnish winter. If you're not Finnish, you'll find out soon enough that it's nice until you realise it lasts minimum 6 months. But otherwise, I enjoy being in Pori, the people I met here in SAMK are amazing; my first advice would be to make good friends to have people to talk to when the wintertime gets hard, or when you'll miss your home country.

I'm a very social person, love to meet new people and go out. I can't wait to meet you and getting to know you all :)

If you have any question or just wanna hang out, let me know ! I'm often going thrift shopping, going for walks and always happy to grab coffee :)

I wish you a great summer and I'll see you in September !

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