

Are you interested in Ice hockey Coaching?



Degree Programme in Sports and Leisure Management
Bachelor of sports and leisure, 210 credits
Special minor: Ice hockey coaching

Come to study in an international 3–3.5-year full-time undergraduate degree programme focusing in sport instruction and specializing in ice hockey coaching. The first two years of the studies include intensive studying at the Vierumäki Sports Institute, after which the student has a chance to utilize the information obtained in real-life working environment during the final 1–1.5 years of the practicum. Language of instruction is English enabling the students to work in an international environment.

Structure of the curriculum and competence areas

Competence areas	Basic studies 100 cr	Special studies: "Core of coaching" 50 cr	Elective studies 15 cr Bachelor's thesis 15 cr Work placement 30 cr
Human/ Athlete's development	Sport skills 30 cr Didactic skills 12 cr Humanbeing in sports 15 cr Health and wellbeing 14 cr	Athlete's development in sports 26 cr	
Interpersonal interaction	Learning and personal development 3 cr Interpersonal communication 20 cr	Leadership skills in sports 12 cr	
Organizational skills	Service and business skills 6 cr	Management skills in sports 12 cr	

Perspective from Finland

During the first two years, the students have an opportunity to learn-by-doing in different camps, seminars and tournaments organized in Vierumäki. Sports Institute of Finland is the education and training centre of the Finnish Ice Hockey Association, which offers a possibility for the students to be acquainted with the Finnish hockey from the grassroots level up to the men's National Team. Also, the co-operation with the local teams offers a chance for the students to apply their skills into practice while studying in Vierumäki.

And Abroad

Students enrolled in the programme from different parts of the world ensure international study atmosphere during the first two years in Vierumäki. Furthermore, the co-operation with the International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) provides the students an unique opportunity to do their work placement in one of its' member association and to take part in international educational seminars, camps and tournaments.

The International Ice Hockey Centre of Excellence

In 2003, The International Ice Hockey Centre of Excellence was established in Vierumäki for the purpose of distributing educational information needed for the consistently growing sport. The Centre co-operates with the International Ice Hockey Federation creating new educational materials, hosting international conferences, camps, and tournaments. As a part of the studies in the programme, the students will work for the International Ice Hockey Centre of Excellence in real projects enabling them to learn-by-doing in a practical working environment.

Cost of the studies

The Sport Institute of Finland co-operates with the Olympic Solidarity. This co-operation offers the enrolled students an opportunity to apply for a scholarship that will cover the studying expenses in Vierumäki. Applications for the Olympic Solidarity program "Scholarships for coaches" should be addressed to student's respective National Olympic Committee. Students are currently responsible only for their living and travel expenses, personal sports equipment, and required study material.

Eligibility and application

Eligibility for higher education and good command of English are required. Selection for the programme is based on the applicant's prior education, work experience in the sports and leisure industry, coaching experience especially in ice hockey, entrance examination and interview. **Application time for studies starting in 2010 between January 11th and February 12th, 2010.**

SPORT INSTITUTE OF FINLAND

Bachelor degree for sports and leisure management is organized in the facilities of Sport Institute of Finland. Vierumäki Sports Institute is the official training and education centre for Finnish Olympic Sports. The Institute is located in Heinola, 130 km north of Helsinki.

ON-LINE APPLICATION AND FURTHER INFORMATION:

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