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WELCOME TO DIAK

Our warmest congratulations on obtaining your place of study at Diak! This letter gives you important information about starting your studies. Please read it carefully.

Starting your studies

Studies in *Degree Programme in Social Services (DSS)* will start on Monday, 27 August 2018 at 10am at the Helsinki campus (Kyläsaarenpukuja 2, 00580 Helsinki). You will meet your student group at that time. You will also receive important information about starting your studies and studying at Diak.

Studies

Studies are conducted as daytime studies. They include contact teaching, independent study and studying in small groups as well as online on MoodleRooms. The studies of the group will progress, primarily, in accordance with a schedule that is phased according to the group's learning tasks. The studies will require individual tasks and cooperative work as well as interaction face-to-face and online. They also include practical training periods. The studies are designed to correspond to full-time studies.

Contact teaching weeks for the autumn semester 2018 are week 35 (Mon-Fri), 36 (Mon-Fri), 39 (Mon-Fri), 42 (Mon-Fri), 46 (Wed-Fri), 47 (Mon-Fri) and 50 (Mon-Fri). You can find a more detailed schedule on Diak's schedule tool Lukkarikone (<https://lukujarjestykset.diak.fi/>). Schedules for the autumn semester 2018 will be published in June during the week 24 (week starting on Monday 11 June). Search with your group code **A45DSS**.

Checking application data

If you did not submit copies of your educational certificates (the ones that you used in the joint application process) to Diak when you submitted your application, please submit the copies to the study office as soon as possible, by 10 July 2018 at 3pm, either by email or by post. The copies have to reach the study office by that time. If an applicant has provided false information and would not have been eligible for admission on the basis of correct information, Diak may reverse the decision of admission. In addition, if an applicant does not provide copies within the given time, Diak may reverse the decision of admission. The copies you provide will not be returned to you. Even if you register as non-attending, you must provide copies of your certificates.



Checking original certificates

Your admission is conditional until your certificates have been checked and copies have been compared to the original documents. During the first two weeks of studies, the **originals** of your educational certificates, which you used in the joint application process, will be compared to the copies you submit. **Take the original certificates with you on the first day of studies.** If you register as non-attending, the original certificates will be checked when you commence your studies. If you do not submit the original certificates for Diak to check, Diak may reverse the decision of admission.

Traffic connections

You can get quite close to the campus by trams 6 and 8 and buses 55 and 56. There is no parking available but there is plenty of room for bicycles. Kalasatama metro station is about 15 minutes' walk from the campus.

More information

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the study office. Preferably use the Helpdesk at <http://opintotoimisto.diak.fi>. You can also send an email at opintotoimisto@diak.fi or call the study office, tel. +358 29 469 6433. Please note that the study office and campus are closed from late June until early August so it is not possible to visit the study office or admissions office that time.

Student union

More information of the student union of Diaconia University of Applied Sciences, O'Diako, is available at <http://www.en.odiako.fi/>.

Kind regards,

Study guidance counsellors and student affairs assistants