

Education for student representatives acting in Aalto University administration

University administration in Finland and in Aalto University

- In Finland students have a strong, law-based representation in universities administration
- -In Aalto University the administration is more "flexible" than most other Finnish universities. This has ups and downs.
- Every student representative is a valuable assett working for better education of present and future students
- -as non-Finnish speaking student representatives you are "pioneers" and especially valuable to whole community

University administration is tripartite



What is a student representative?

- Student representative = halloped

How to be a student representative

- -representing fellow students requires information
- -> read the papers before a meeting
- -> talk to you fellow students and listen to them
- -be there (it is your duty now!)
- -> if you can't make it to a meeting, inform your deputy member

What is a good student representative?

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- -dare to open your mouth
- -talk to your fellow students not only before a meeting but also after it (informing others about decisions)
- -strenghten your knowledge-base

Pre-meetings and communication

In each school there is at least a person in charge of coordinating hallopeds and a mailing list

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BIZ-halloped@list.ayy.fi

CHEM-halloped@list.ayy.fi

ELEC-halloped@list.ayy.fi

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Documents affecting administration

Tutkintosääntö

Each school has it's own

Rules regarding studying

into.aalto.fi

AYY's policies, statements etc.

ayy.fi

Help in administration language

https://inside.aalto.fi/display/viestintajamarkkinointi/ /Aallon+kirjoitusohjeita+ja+sanastoja (Vocabulary of Aalto University. The page is in

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https://inside.ayy.fi/download/attachments/104531 86/Korkeakoulusanasto_SYL.pdf?version=1&m odificationDate=1350394338000 (vocabulary of higher education and university administration)

http://www.helsinki.fi/kksc/language.services/koko ussanasto.pdf (vocabulary of meetings in general)

Language policies

- The language of the administration is Finnish, BUT it does not mean that the language of the meetings could not be English.
- Aalto university is open to internationalisation and strives for internationalisation in it's strategy – no-one is going to shut down the pioneers of internationalisation!
- Be in contact with the secretaries of your committees, be in contact in advance with people presenting topics in the meetings
- Be brave, you're part of the university community and have the right to understand what's going on!
- Don't hesitate to contact other hallopeds/AYY in case of problems!

Questions & answers