



**Finland**

**International Social Policy  
and Social Service  
Delivery**

Semester(s) Available:  
Summer 2019:  
3 weeks

Minimum Credits:  
Six (6) for Summer 2019

Program Application Deadline(s):  
March 1, 2019 for Summer 2019

Scholarship Information:  
<http://bit.ly/EAScholarships>

Courses:  
SW470  
SW822  
SW890

Requirements:  
Minimum GPA 2.00  
Major - Social Work

Cost:  
Program Fee: \$2,650.00  
Estimated Additional Cost: \$3,735.00  
(Summer 2017)\*\*

Tuition is not included for most programs. See program's webpage for details.

\*\* IMPORTANT: This is last year's program fee and should be used as an estimate only when calculating costs for this program. The current program fee will be posted as soon as it is finalized.

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This short-term, graduate study abroad program is designed for students in social work and related fields. The program is 6 credit hours during the summer semester. It is a blended format that combines face-to-face class time, online course work, and two weeks of study abroad in Finland. In Finland, students visit a variety of social service agencies and governmental organizations and interact with Finnish students and faculty. Course work will compare Finland and U.S. social policy with a focus on the historical, economic, and governmental forces that shape policy and influence service provision across settings and populations in need.

We spend a week each in Helsinki and Tampere and take a day-trip to Estonia. Past itineraries have included visits to senior living communities, day programs for adults with disabilities, a prison, and drug rehabilitation facilities. We use all possible public transportation from buses and trains to subways and ferries. We've even had dinner in a castle, visited a public sauna, and dipped our toes in the Baltic. This is a great opportunity to learn about a Nordic model of social welfare and experience the Finnish culture.

More details about this program can be found at...  
<http://osa.isp.msu.edu/Programs/finlandpolicy.html>

This flyer is intended to provide an overview of this Education Abroad program. Interested students should visit the program's Web page (URL indicated above) for further details such as specific course and cost information. Program fees, dates, and arrangements are subject to change, due to unforeseen considerations.

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