

Job Shadowing at Vocational College Lt Seinäjoki, Finland

Job shadowing outline

- Experience firsthand the transformative potential of Finnish education principles and vocational training methods by participating in an immersive job shadowing program. Gain invaluable insights into student-centred learning, teacher professionalism, and equitable education while engaging in hands-on activities and interactions with educators and students. Join on this journey to deepen your understanding of vocational education and its role in shaping the workforce of tomorrow.

The aim of this job shadowing is to

- Foster Understanding: Deepen participants' comprehension of Finnish education principles, focusing on student-centred learning, teacher professionalism, and equitable education, through immersive experiences and interactions with educators and students.
- Experiential Learning: Provide participants with hands-on experiences in vocational training environments, particularly emphasising working with students with fewer opportunities, to enhance awareness and appreciation of diverse learning approaches and support systems.
- Vocational Insight: Enable participants to gain comprehensive knowledge of vocational colleges' programs, emphasising their unique hands-on training methods and alignment with industry needs, to better understand the role of vocational education in preparing students for the workforce.
- Facilitate Transition: Equip participants with insights into the transition from vocational education to higher education, including familiarity with preparatory education programs, their structure, curriculum, and support systems, to support informed decision-making and facilitate smoother transitions for students.

Activities

- Participants will be welcomed by Luovi Seinäjoki's international coordinator, who will provide an overview of the institution's mission, vision, and educational philosophy.
- The program includes a guided tour of the school's facilities, emphasising student-centred learning, teacher professionalism, and equitable education in the Finnish context.
- The experience extends to hands-on activities in students' working environments, such as cleaning and property maintenance, restaurant and catering, or logistics specialty study teams.

- The program also encompasses visits to 2-3 vocational colleges, providing insights into vocational programs, hands-on training, and the transition from vocational education to higher education.

Outcomes

- Increased understanding of Finnish education principles, with a focus on student-centred learning, teacher professionalism, and equitable education.
- Enhanced awareness of vocational training approaches, highlighted through hands-on experiences with students with fewer opportunities
- In-depth knowledge of vocational colleges' programs, emphasising their unique hands-on training methods and alignment with industry needs.
- Insights into the transition from vocational education to higher education,
- Familiarity with preparatory education programs, including their structure, curriculum, and support systems.