

## CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR POSTGRADUATE STATUS IN FINLAND!

Are you a citizen of EU, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway or Switzerland?

- If your answer is 'yes', you do not need a residence permit. For information on EU citizens' registrations please go to: <http://migri.fi/en/i-am-an-eu-citizen>
- If your answer is 'no' and you plan to study in Finland for more than three months: you will need a residence permit

**This letter is for all those students who need a residence permit.**

**What type of residence permit do you need? There are three different options:**

### 1. If you are coming to Finland for postgraduate studies (licentiate/doctor's degree)

- You hold at least a master's degree or a second-cycle degree which gives you access to doctoral programs
- You have been selected by a research organisation
- If you are in an employment relationship by your educational institution, you must be able to earn your living in Finland through gainful employment throughout the time you stay in Finland. Your gross salary must be at least € 1211 per month in 2019.
- If you are not in an employment relationship, you must have at least € 1,000 per month at your disposal for your living costs in Finland. You can secure your income with funds or even other types of income, such as a research scholarship.

You need a residence permit based on researcher, application form **OLE\_TUT**.

For more useful information go to: <http://migri.fi/en/researcher>  
<https://migri.fi/en/income-requirement>

### 2. If you are coming to Finland for postgraduate studies (licentiate/doctor's degree)

- you only have a bachelor's degree (a first-cycle degree), you cannot be granted a residence permit based on researcher even if you are conducting scientific research.
- you are employed by your educational institution and
- you receive a salary at least € 1211 in a month

You need a residence permit based on employment of another kind, application form **OLE\_TY5**

For more useful information go to: <https://migri.fi/en/work-in-the-field-of-science-culture-or-arts>  
<https://migri.fi/en/income-requirement>

### 3. If you are coming to Finland for postgraduate studies (licentiate/doctor's degree)

- you only have a bachelor's degree (a first-cycle degree) and
- you receive a scholarship from an official institution in Finland or abroad or you are funding your stay with your own funds (at least € 1000 in a month)

You need a residence permit based on other grounds, application form **OLE\_TY5**

For more useful information go to: <https://migri.fi/en/coming-to-finland-on-other-grounds>  
<https://migri.fi/en/income-requirement>