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JYVÄSKYLÄN YLIOPISTO  
UNIVERSITY OF JYVÄSKYLÄ

# FACTS

**The Centre for Multilingual Academic Communication**  
**Movi provides the communication and language studies included in the degrees of all faculties at the University of Jyväskylä (JYU).**

All JYU bachelor's degrees comprise studies in mother tongue (both written and speech communication), in Finland's second national language (i.e. Swedish or Finnish), and in one or two foreign languages.

# 16

## LANGUAGES

Movi provides contact teaching in 16 languages: Arabic, English, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Greek, Portuguese, French, Swedish, German, Slovak, Russian, Finnish Sign Language, and Finnish (Finnish as a second language, written communication and speech communication).

# 600

## COURSES

Movi organises about 600 yearly courses, with over 12,500 completions by students being recorded.

# 32000

## ECTS CREDITS

Around 32,000 ECTS credits are completed at Movi every year.

2014	31465
2015	32938
2016	34165
2017	34958
2018	33787

# A

In cooperation with the Department of Language and Communication Studies, Movi implements the basic studies in Japanese language and culture and in French language and culture, as well as the basic and intermediate studies in Slovak language and culture.

# B

In addition, Movi offers extensive modules on Latin American languages and culture as well as on Finnish as a second language.

# C

At Movi you can develop your multilingual intercultural competence and receive a certificate for it (MIC).

# D

Movi provides the opportunity to complete the official Chinese Proficiency Tests (HSK) of the People's Republic of China.

# E

In 2018, Movi, in cooperation with the Kennel Club, made JYU the first university in Finland to offer care and reading dog activities. During the first year, we reached over 700 students in different meetings with the dogs.



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FOR LANGUAGE  
AND CULTURAL  
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A TREND THAT IS  
VISIBLE IN MOVI'S  
ACTIVITIES AS  
WELL."**



**Peppi Taalas**, director

**Movi – the Centre for Multilingual Academic Communication** – develops and organises communication and language education that responds to the needs of both studies and the world of work. The courses are individually designed for bachelor's, master's and doctoral students, as well as for the staff, and they are free for everyone at JYU. Movi's mission includes the promotion of the university's internationalisation and the implementation of its language policy. In cooperation with faculties and departments, Movi promotes the development of students' solid multilingual communication skills and enhances the quality of degrees.

- Development of communication and language studies
- Language and communication expertise
- Translation and proofreading services
- Staff competence development





The aim of the University's staff training is to support international staff in learning Finnish. Knowing Finnish – even the basics – makes your work, integration into our community and all social interaction easier.

#### In the Finnish as a second language courses you study

- language learning strategies
- the unique features of Finnish as well as its situational and cultural use
- what to do in different Finnish and multilingual communication situations.

Schedules and registration for the communication and language studies included in bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees: [sisu.jyu.fi](https://sisu.jyu.fi)



Information on staff training on Intranet Uno – [uno.jyu.fi/en](https://uno.jyu.fi/en)



Movi has experience in teaching Finnish as a second language since the 1990's.



# EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Exchange students are welcome to take courses at the Centre for Multilingual Academic Communication. It is definitely easier and more interesting to live in Finland if you know a little bit of Finnish; so at least the Survival Finnish course is strongly recommended for all those with no previous skills in Finnish. Studying and learning through English may also require that you update your skills in academic English. Or what about studying a completely new language?

Exchange students are generally not required to take any language courses by the University of Jyväskylä, but their home university or the rules of the exchange programme may require such studies.



# MASTER'S DEGREE STUDENTS

In addition to the compulsory communication and language studies included in your degree, at Movi you can choose additional courses according to your individual learning needs and interests. Our teaching is based on the most recent research as well as on the needs of working life. Besides language courses, what about for example selecting courses related to multilingualism and intercultural communication in order to make the most out of your international experience in Jyväskylä?

By the master's level, you should consider how you could distinguish yourself with your interaction and language skills in a job application situation. If you are planning on a career in Finland, now is also the time to ensure that you have sufficient Finnish skills.



**Further information on language studies:**  
[movi.jyu.fi/en/courses/languages](https://movi.jyu.fi/en/courses/languages)



## DOCTORAL STUDENTS

- After completing a doctoral degree, you work as an expert in your discipline as well as in society.
- At the University of Jyväskylä, you have excellent opportunities to develop your research expertise and career path also by expanding your academic communication skills, both in English and Finnish.
- The Movi courses designed for doctoral students support you at the various stages of your postgraduate studies – right from the first steps to the public examination of your dissertation.

**i** Further information on language studies for doctoral students:  
[movi.jyu.fi/en/courses/doctoral](https://movi.jyu.fi/en/courses/doctoral)

### COURSE EXAMPLE:

#### **Defence of Dissertation Day**

This course provides support to doctoral students in meeting the communication challenges surrounding the doctoral dissertation defence process. We will discuss and work on different forms of publicising one's doctoral research findings. We will also attend to the defence day procedures, such as engaging in a debate with the opponent at the public defence ceremony or delivering speeches at the defence celebration.

## STAFF TRAINING

Movi offers a range of courses to support the interaction competence of all JYU staff.

- The courses develop Finnish and English written communication and spoken interaction in the workplace.
- International staff have an excellent opportunity to develop their Finnish skills.
- The courses are designed to make it easy to participate while working.

**i** Find out more about staff training on intranet Uno.

**Each One Teach One (EOTO)** is a pair work programme coordinated by Movi. The participants teach each other their own mother tongue or school language while also learning their partner's language. Movi's teachers guide the participants and meet them at least twice during the programme.

**Teaching Academic Content through English (TACE)** is a staff training course with a focus on teaching in a foreign language in multilingual and multicultural contexts. The studies are part of JYU's university pedagogy education.





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## STUDENT WELLBEING

- Accessibility and student wellbeing are important to everyone at Movi. This is visible in the large selection of courses that promote studying and wellbeing.
- The care and reading dogs of the Kennel Club started their “work” on the campus in autumn 2018. This Knowhau programme has proved to be popular and is now expanding: more staff members are joining the team of voluntary Kennel Club instructors in Jyväskylä.

**i** Find out more about our training courses as well as the care and reading dogs at [jyu.fi/knowhau/en](https://jyu.fi/knowhau/en)





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