

# Student Union of the University of Jyväskylä

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**Student Union JYY** 

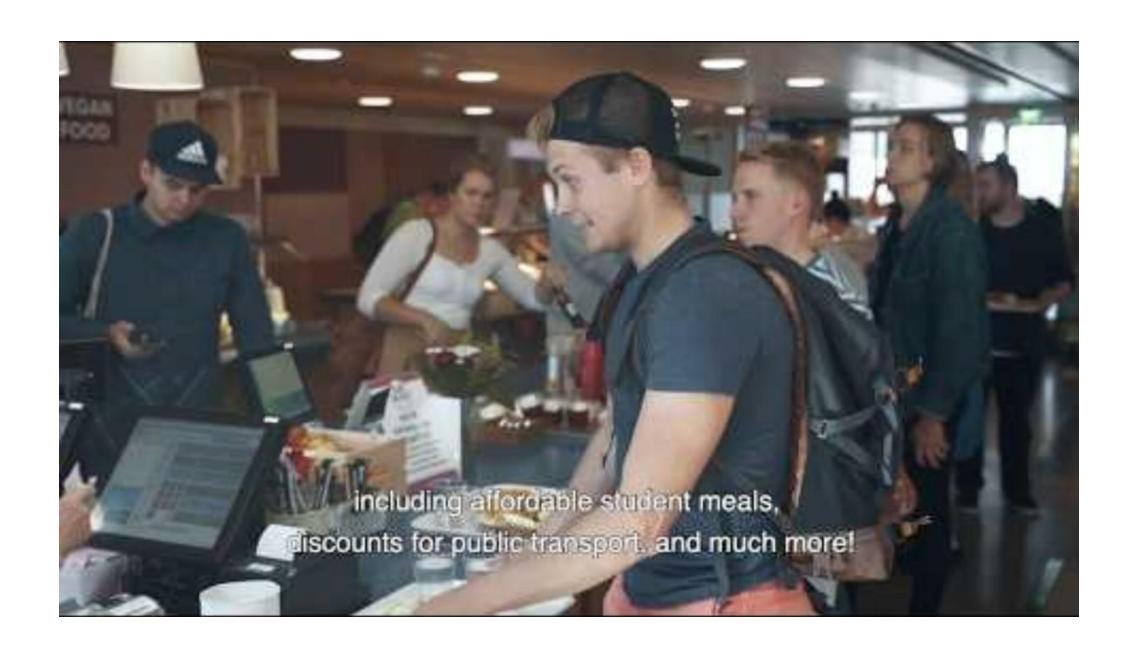
## What is the Student Union?

- The Student Union of the University of Jyväskylä (JYY for short) is the Student Union for all university students here in Jyväskylä
- Politically and religiously independent advocacy organization, for students by students
- Joining JYY is mandatory for degree students and voluntary but highly recommended for exchange, doctoral, and visiting students
- Around 14 000 members
- Over 40 full-time employees and dozens of people in positions of trust

JYY = Student Union

JYU = University of Jyväskylä





## Championing Students in Jyväskylä

- Aim is to make student life in Jyväskylä the best in Finland
- Provides assistance and support to students
  - Engages in **lobbying** for students' rights as the representative of all students
  - Gives counseling and advice in issues related to academic, social, and international affairs
  - Meets regularly with university leadership, political decision-makers, and others to offer opinions and support in student matters
  - Works closely with various subject and hobby associations



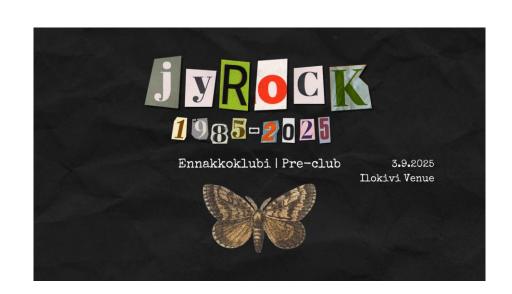
## **Making Student Life Better**

- Organizes various events and activities
- The right to obtain a Slice student card
  - Wide variety of benefits and discounts: travel on busses and trains, restaurants, culture, shops, services etc.
- Ilokivi restaurant, Ilokivi Venue
- Opinkivi sauna and jacuzzi hot tub
- Borrow a cargo bike and other items
- Volunteering opportunities



# **Upcoming events**

- 27.8. Opening Fair
- 30.8. Ilokivi Queer Night
- 2.9. Speed Friending by JYY
- 3.9. Jyrock Pre-Club 1985-2025
- 17.-18.10. Jyrock





## JYY membership

Membership requires paying a membership fee

#### **Exchange and degree students:**

- 76,00 €/academic year
- 48 €/autumn semester

#### **Doctoral students:**

- limited benefits (no discount on meals or on longdistance travels (VR/Matkahuolto)
- 66 €/academic year, 44 €/autumn semester
- Payment instructions can be found on <u>JYY's</u>
  website. A receipt of the payment must be sent to
  Student Services for registration via <u>HelpJYU</u>.





## **Student card Slice**

- As a member of the Student Union, you can download a student card
  - Functions as proof of student-status in Finland
  - Entitles to a wide range of benefits and services
- The easiest way to activate your student card is to download the Slice student card app on your phone.
  The student card is free-of-charge.
  - Go to slice.fi/jyy and fill out the open fields with personal information and add a profile picture
  - "Email address which is known at your education institution" can be checked from Sisu > my profile > personal information > email
  - After filling out the information, the student receives an email with login credentials within a few hours
  - You can now download Slice.fi –app from app store
- If you cannot download the Slice app, you can get a physical student card (costs 19,90€)
  - Register as Slice user on slice.fi/jyy and go to <u>Kide.app</u> to order your card. Your card will be delivered to your home in 2-3 weeks.

#### Student card will only start functioning if

- you have paid the membership fee of the Student Union and sent the receipt to the Student Services
- your study right has begun

Be patient – it may take a while for the membership payment to register and the login credentials to reach you!

#### No student card (yet)?

- download a certificate of student status from the course registration system Sisu
- discounts in campus restaurants before your student card is ready – do note, however, that the certificate doesn't work in trains or busses!
- works until mid-September



JYY advocacy in practice



## Students' rights

- JYY oversees the fulfillment of the students' rights
- If necessary, JYY's specialists can contact the university staff anonymously for you
- Examples:
  - Right to know the goals and requirements of each course in advance
  - Right to receive grades promptly
  - Right to well-grounded evaluation
  - Right to retake any exam
  - Right to equality and special needs services
  - And more!



## **Zero tolerance for harassment**

- Students have the right to a safe learning environment
- Everyone is responsible in creating and maintaining a safe environment
- Interfere if you witness any inappropriate behaviour
- Contact our harassment contact people if you experience or witness inappropriate behaviour: <a href="mailto:hairinta@jyy.fi">hairinta@jyy.fi</a>





