

# University of Lapland



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- ❑ Northernmost university in the European Union: located at the Arctic Circle in Rovaniemi, the capital of Lapland
- ❑ 4 Faculties: Art and Design, Education, Law, Social Sciences + Arctic Centre
- ❑ Focus on Arctic issues and well-being of northern communities

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- ❑ Mission: produce new knowledge and competence from the arctic perspective to ensure prosperity and well-being in the area
- ❑ Main campus has been awarded with the WWF Green Office certificate
- ❑ PhD students can join different UArctic activities
- ❑ University of Lapland hosts the International Secretariat of the University of Arctic (UArctic) and played an important role in its development
- ❑ UArctic is a network of universities, colleges, research institutes, and other organizations involved in education and research in and about the North: <https://www.uarctic.org/>



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# Doctoral Education at University of Lapland

## 1. Discipline-specific doctoral programme:

- Faculty of Art and Design
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Social Sciences

## 2. Cross-disciplinary program: The Arctic in a Changing World

- How to balance the diverse interests and how can human life in the Arctic become an example of agency and adaptability in changing conditions?. Selected themes:
  - Communities, Inclusion and Welfare
  - Governing Transitions in the Arctic: Environment, Law and Politics
  - Art, Design and Service Innovation.



# General Program Structure

Doctoral dissertation <b>180 ECTS</b>	Discipline-specific and faculty-specific studies	<b>20 ECTS</b>
	Philosophy of research and research skills (Doctoral School)	<b>20 ECTS</b>
	Thematic, multi- disciplinary studies of the doctoral programme (Doctoral School)	<b>20 ECTS</b>

- ❑ **“Philosophy of research”** builds expertise towards independently and critically applying research methods.
  - ❑ Four modules:
    1. Critical thinking and argumentation
    2. Research methods
    3. Orientation and researcher's skills
    4. Ethics.
- ❑ **“Thematic studies”** offer a multidisciplinary knowledge base.

*In the field-specific doctoral programme, the structure can differ from this because of field-specific requirements.*

# Applying

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## Application deadlines

6–28 February 2024 by 15:00 (local Finnish time)

1–22 October 2024 by 15:00 (local Finnish time)

## How to apply?

1. Contact the professor of your academic field
2. Write your research plan
3. Make your personal study plan
4. Apply online

# Student life: practical issues



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- ❑ Housing can be applied through the local student housing foundation Domus Arctica: <https://www.das.fi/en>
- ❑ Finnish courses are available at Open University free of charge
- ❑ Easier to get an appointment at the Rovaniemi immigration office
- ❑ Wide range of opportunities for winter sports: Ounasvaara ski resort is a part of the city: <https://ounasvaara.fi/>