THE STUDENT UNION

OF ÅBO AKADEMI UNIVERSITY





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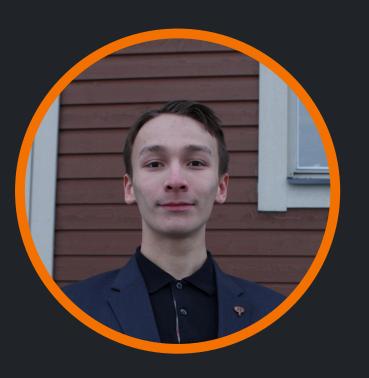
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Service Expert in Vasa,
Harrassment Contact Person
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Service Expert in Åbo,
Real Estate Coordinator
NORA MÖLLER

WHAT DO YOU GET FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP?





HELP AND SUPPORT

- No problem is too small and no question needs to go unaswered
- Problems with a course, lecturer, grading or support services
 - Students' Rights Expert: Ellen Ijäs
 - hs_karen@abo.fi

- Harrassment, discrimination or inappropriate treatment in studies or student life
 - Harrassment Contact Persons:
 Amanda Ehn & Ellen Ijäs
 - trakasseriombud@studentkaren.fi
 - Professional secrecy!





RIGHT TO STUDENT CARD

- Benefits and student discounts
 - VR, Matkahuolto etc.
 - Movies, theater, stores
 - Student Lunch

Digital or physical

- Frank, Tuudo, Kide etc.
- Physical cards require a sticker
 - Get it from the Student Union offices in Åbo and Vasa







ADVOCACY WORK

- We work to ensure students have a great time during their studies
- We regularily meet with
 - Rector
 - Deans
 - Politicians

- Concrete examples of advocacy work:
 - Municipal Election
 - AAU's buildings
 - Lunch break





STUDENT LUNCH

- Is a part of the student benefits
- ÅAS lunch restaurants Kårkaféerna:
 - Arken
 - Asa
 - Aurum
 - Kåren

- 2,95 € for ordinary lunch when you show your student card
- Also late lunch in Aurum
- If you do not have a student card yet:
 - Show the receipt for the Student
 Union membership fee + ID





STUDENT CULTURE, Åbo







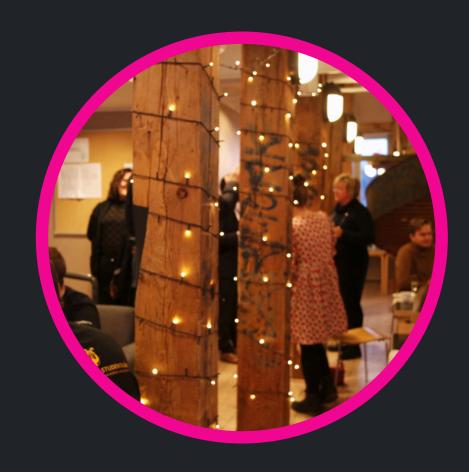






STUDENT CULTURE, Vasa













STARTING PACKAGE, Åbo

- Starting packages with a few essentials:
 - Pillow, blanket, utensils, glass, flatware...
- Offered by all the Student Unions in Åbo, organised by TYY

- Price 70 € (of these 50 € are a deposit, which you will get back if you return all the items clean and in good condition)
- More information:
 - https://www.tyy.fi/fi/starting-packagestorage





STARTING PACKAGE, Vasa

- Starting packages include essentials:
 - Pillow, blanket, utensils, glass, flatware...
- More information:
- https://studentkaren.fi/en/students /service/starting-package/

- Price 80 € (of these 60€ are a deposit, which you will get back if you return all the items clean and in good condition)
- Can be rented for maximum of twelve months



WHERE IS THE STUDENT UNION? ÅBO & VASA





KAREN

- The Student Union office at Kåren (Tavastgatan 22)
- Up the stairs and the door on your left
 - Limited accessibility (stairs)

Service Point

- Get a free calendar (mainly in Swedish),
 buy overall patches, get a student card sticker, ask questions etc.
- Open during September: Mon-Thurs kl.
 12 p.m.-3 p.m.





HAVTORNEN

- The Student Union Office in Havtornen (Strandgatan 2)
- 4th floor
 - Limited accessibility, but there is an elevator

- Service Point
 - Get a free calendar (mainly in Swedish), buy overall patches, get a student card sticker, ask questions etc.
 - Open Monday and Thursday 12 p.m.–
 3 p.m.

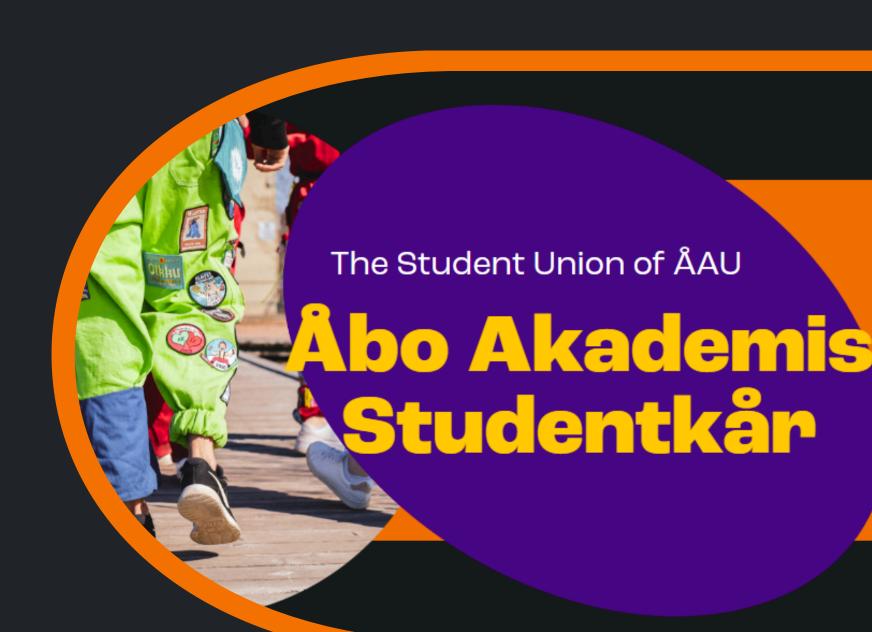




KEEP UPDATED

- Read the Newsletter sent to the abo-e-mail every week!
- Information from the Student Union, associations and collaborators etc.

- Follow us on social media:
- Instagram: @aastudentkar
- Facebook: <u>Åbo Akademis Studentkår</u>
 <u>ÅAS</u>
- More information and contact information can be found at:
 - www.studentkaren.fi



QUESTIONS OR ANYTHING ELSE?



THANK

YOU

FEEL FREE TO
CONTACT US!



https://studentkaren.fi/en/contact/contactinformation/