

The background of the slide is a scenic photograph of a church tower with a green copper roof and a cross on top, situated behind a line of trees with vibrant yellow autumn foliage. In the foreground, a calm river reflects the sky and trees. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds. A stone wall runs along the riverbank.

International House Turku

Welcome to Turku!

Orientation Week 2026



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- 2017 Moved to Finland from UK
- 2018 MDP Futures Studies at the University of Turku
- 2021 Started working for the City of Turku





International House Turku

- The starting point for all internationals living in Turku!
- We offer advice and events in multiple languages to support your integration.
- We are part of the City of Turku and all our activities are free of charge!





International House Turku Services

- Core services
 - Multilingual Advice and Guidance Service (14 languages)
 - **Soft-landing Service**
 - Housing Counselling
 - Social and Health Counseling
- Services through projects
 - **International Student Support Service (Purje)**
 - Mentoring for non-EU newcomers
 - Education and Activities for Immigrant women
- <https://www.turku.fi/en/integration-services>





International Student Support service

- **Who is the service for?**
 - All international students currently studying (or about to start their studies) in Southwest Finland
- **What does the service offer?**
 - Personalised 1:1 guidance in-person or online
 - Support for getting started in Turku, difficult situations during your studies as well as thinking about future plans after graduation.
- <https://www.turku.fi/en/integration-services/international-student-support-service>



Soft-landing Service

- **Who is the service for?**
 - Individuals who have recently moved (or are in the process of moving) to Turku
- **What does the service offer?**
 - Guidance on settling-in and taking your next steps.
 - A personalised action plan mapping out your first weeks in Turku.
- <https://www.turku.fi/en/integration-services/soft-landing-service>



Developing your integration roadmap

Settling in

Migri, DVV, Housing, Student healthcare, family support

Networking

Making friends, finding hobbies, connecting with professionals in your field

Language learning

Courses, discussion groups, apps, self-study. In Finnish or Swedish!

Working life

Internships, writing a CV, post-graduation plans. Which companies to contact (and how to approach them)



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Piispisperjantai: International Coffee Mornings



- Meet our team as well as other internationals living, studying and working in Turku!
- Date: the last Friday of the month
- Location: Vimma Activity Centre
- [Join Piispisperjantai: International Coffee Morning | Turku.fi](https://turku.fi/en/Join-Piispisperjantai-International-Coffee-Morning)





Photo: Markku Liukkonen

Turku Spouse Programme



- Launching September 2026!
 - 4.9. Walking tour of Turku City Centre
 - 10.9. Welcome info session for newcomers
- A new community for international spouses of students and employees, including information sessions, workshops and networking events.
- <https://www.turku.fi/en/integration-services/spouse-program>





Newcomer's Guide

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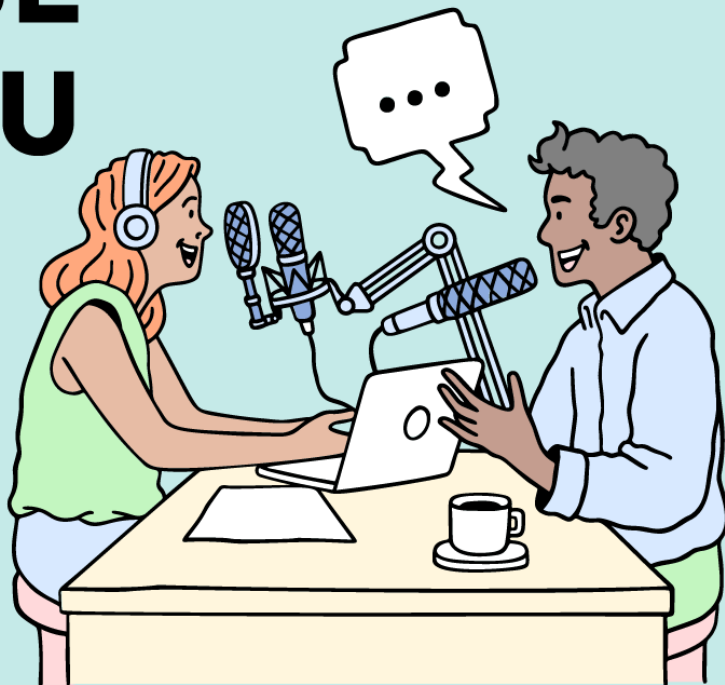


Turku Newcomer's Guide

- "We're building Turku for everyone to feel at home and thrive!"
 - Piia Elo, Mayor of Turku
- Download now!
 - <https://www.turku.fi/en/integration-services/newcomers-guide>



INTERNATIONAL HOUSE TURKU



International House Turku Podcast

- Your guide to living, working and studying in Turku!
- <https://open.spotify.com/show/0upTndrlGm4XTXUZKnc5dy>
- <https://www.turku.fi/en/integration-services/ihtpodcast>



Everyday living ▾ Free-time ▾ Work and business ▾ Developing our city ▾ City and decision-making ▾

Libraries



Swimming Halls



Föli Public Transport



Senior wristband



Turku Employment Services



Maps



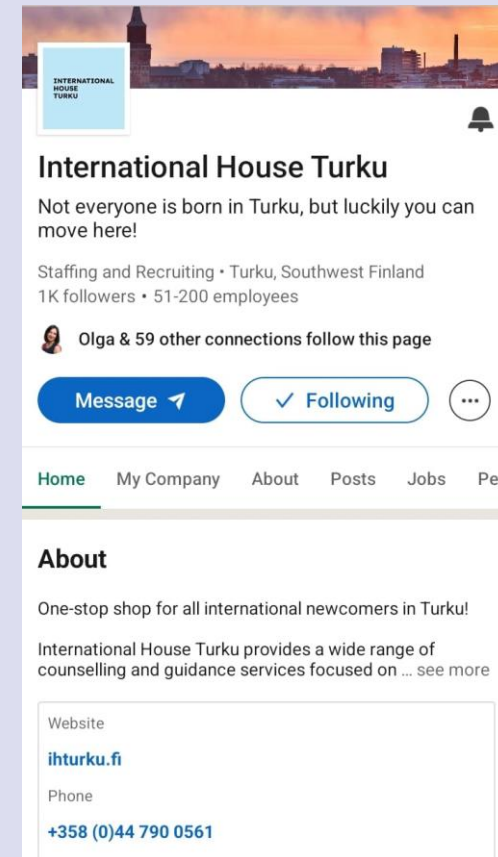
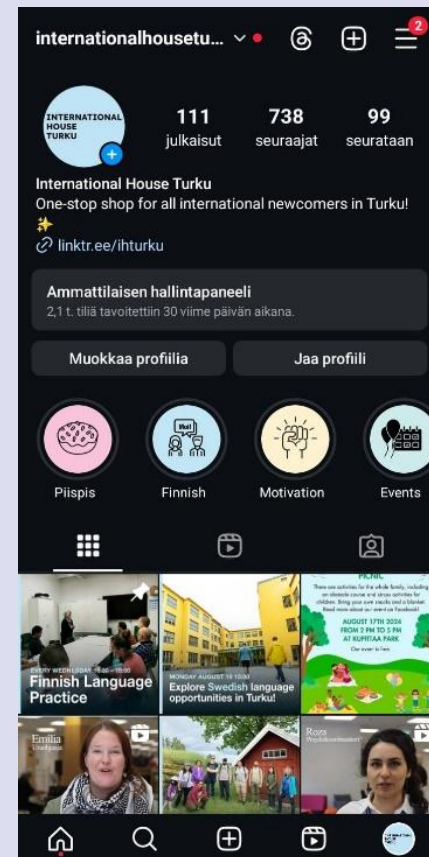
Integration Services



Work and holiday periods of the school year



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Contact us!

- <https://www.turku.fi/en/integration-services>
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Questions?



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taakse,
emme ole
menossa
sinne.**



**Nyt, ikuisesti,
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