



SEINÄJOEN YLIOPISTOKESKUS  
*University Consortium of Seinäjoki*

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# UCS

- since 1981 -

There has been university activity at Seinäjoki ever since 1981, when the University of Tampere arrived on the scene. Then came the University of Helsinki, the Sibelius Academy, the University of Vaasa and Tampere University of Technology. These five universities constitute the University Consortium of Seinäjoki (UCS), which also includes Epanet research co-operation. In 2003 the Consortium's service unit was set up to intensify and develop co-operation.

The mission of the University Consortium of Seinäjoki is to accomplish university research, education and services to society in co-operation with other actors in the region.

University consortia are a cooperation innovation enabling universities to fulfil their regional functions. There are six such consortia in Finland, located in Kokkola, Pori, Lahti, Mikkeli and Kajaani in addition to Seinäjoki.

## RESEARCH

The research fields represented in the University Consortium of Seinäjoki include applications of information and communication technology (ICT), business expertise, regions and well-being, likewise foodstuffs and skills technology. There are 15 research professors and some 60 researchers. Research is focused on new and expanding areas in such a way that it is firmly linked to business life and its innovation systems. The goal of research is to strengthen the area's expertise and intensify cooperation between producers and consumers.

## EDUCATION GEARED TO DEGREES

In selected fields of research master's and postgraduate programmes are offered for adults already in working life. This is a response to educational needs at both regional and national levels. The postgraduate programmes enhance the scientific expertise of people in working life and are offered in computer sciences, technology and music. Eduepanet projects support many kinds of further education. Working life oriented, university continuing education and research and development activities are considerable.

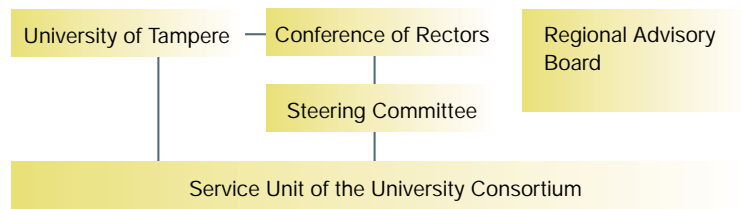
## RESEARCH AND LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

The University Consortium's premises, Frami, constitute a unique environment with state-of-the-art technology for research learning, education and working.

## ORGANISATION

The service unit of the Consortium includes a research director, a secretary for education and a departmental secretary.

### MINISTRY OF EDUCATION



## UNIVERSITY CONSORTIUM OF SEINÄJOKI FACTS AND FIGURE

Operations began	1981
Number of personnel	130
Research professors	15
Postgraduate students	170
Students on M.A. and M.Sc.(Eng.) courses	55
Total number of students	4200

## THE UNIVERSITY CONSORTIUM OF SEINÄJOKI, INCEPTION OF OPERATIONS AND FUNCTIONS OF INSTITUTIONS IN SEINÄJOKI

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	<b>University of Vaasa, 1998</b> - Seinäjoki Unit - Department of Management - Department of Marketing - Department of Electrical Engineering and Industrial Management  <a href="http://www.uvasa.fi">www.uvasa.fi</a>	<b>Tampere University of Technology, 2002</b> - Seinäjoki Unit - Digital Media Institute (DMI) - Institute of Machine design - Institute of Materials Science - Institute of Structural Engineering - Institute of Production Engineering  <a href="http://www.tut.fi">www.tut.fi</a>	<b>University Consortium of Seinäjoki, 2003</b> Service unit Kampusranta 9 C, Frami 60320 SEINÄJOKI Tel +358 (0)6 421 1471 Fax +358 (0)6 429 1935  <a href="http://www.uco.fi">www.uco.fi</a>
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