

GATEWAY TO LIFELONG LEARNING IN FINLAND

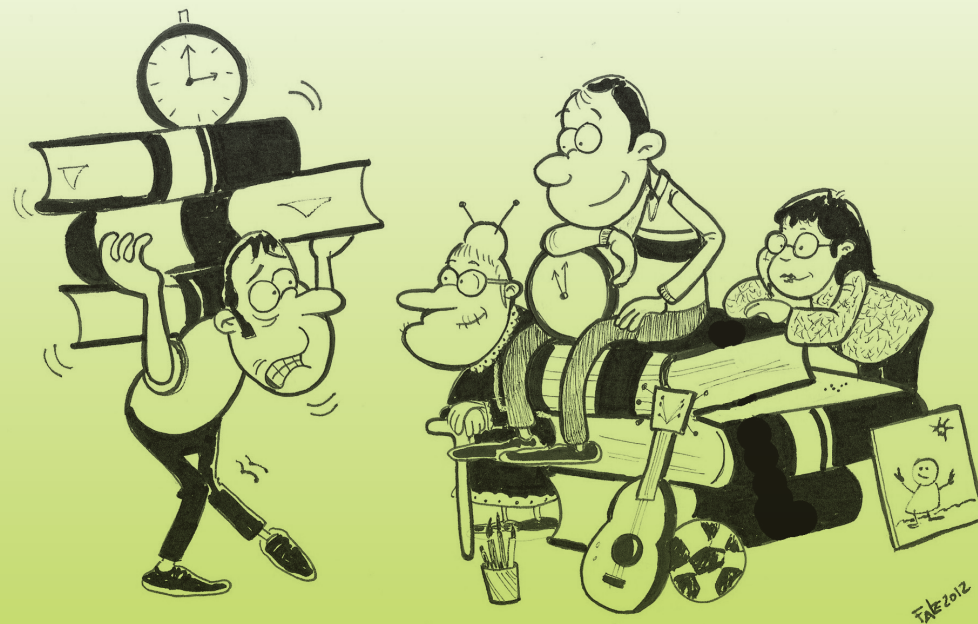
Study Centres – learning
taken to organisations
www.opintokeskukset.fi

Knowledge, participation and
dialogue – new dimensions
from Folk High Schools
www.kansanopistot.fi

Adult Education Centres
– practical and creative
skills for your life
www.ktol.fi

Summer Universities – university
studies – open for all
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and exercise
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**WHAT'S THE POINT
OF STUDYING
WITHOUT GETTING
A DEGREE?**

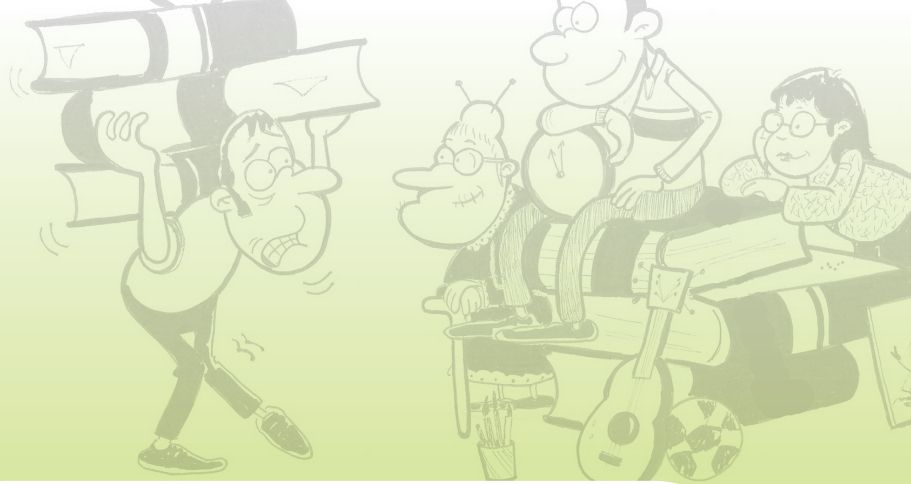


EQUALITY AND WELLBEING THROUGH LIFELONG LEARNING

Learning is much more than training oneself for employment. It can also mean stepping outside the demands of daily life. We learn for fun. We learn to grow. We learn to know ourselves better.

In Finland non-formal adult education is based on the ideal of equal learning opportunities. It is a fundamental part of Finnish culture.

An essential feature is the voluntary nature of participation and use of learner-based methods. One in five Finns studies this way.



Studies are open to everyone. Studying is about learning together in a group, at your own pace, often for the price of a restaurant meal.

You have multiple choices: Finnish language and society, active citizenship, sports, arts and crafts. And much more.

There are about 340 non-formal adult education institutes in Finland. They are divided into five categories: Adult Education Centres, Folk High Schools, Study Centres, Summer Universities and Sports Institutes.

