

Instructions for the Registration of a Foreigner at the DVV (Digital and Population Data Services Agency)

All the new international students should register with the local DVV Office
in order to get

-**the Finnish Personal Identity Code**, henkilötunnus (Needed for all official matters in Finland to identify everybody, for example for the UEF data base, for opening a bank account, for getting a medical prescription, ect.)

-**your postal address** in Joensuu registered (Packages and letters can be delivered only if your address is registered.)

-**the Municipality of Residence**, kotikuntaoikeus (For non-EU citizens staying in Finland for at least a year. This gives you a possibility to use the local public health care.)

How to do the registration?

1. **Fill out the online form:** [As a foreigner in Finland | Digital and population data services agency](#)
Attach the following documents to the form:
 - Official ID / passport
 - Study certificate (NB – not the same as Letter of acceptance)
 - Residence permit, or registration certificate of an EU citizen if you have one of these
2. **Visit the local DVV Office** (address: Kauppakatu 40, Joensuu city centre, [Service locations | Digital and population data services agency](#)) and request the registration of a foreign student in the Population Information System.

Bring the original documents with you for verification when visiting the office.

You can visit the DVV in Joensuu without making a personal appointment on the following dates **between 9 am and 3.30 pm**:

- Tuesday 2 Sept
- Thursday 4 Sept
- Thursday 11 Sept
- Thursday 23 Sept
- Thursday 30 Sept

If you miss these appointments, please make a personal appointment: [Joensuu | Digital and population data services agency](#): **open without appointment at 9.00-12.00 on Wednesdays or you can book and appointment:**

[Tervetuloa — Digi- ja väestötietovirasto \(vihta.com\)](#)

More information: [As a foreigner in Finland | Digital and population data services agency](#)

3. After receiving the Personal Identity Code, please **inform the Student and Learning Services about it** either by visiting the office or sending an email. You can visit the office and present the identity card or another document that displays the identity code. If you prefer sending an email, please **send it to opintorekisteri@uef.fi from your own UEF email address.**