

Freshman Guide 2025



Oulun Teekkariyhdistys OTY



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Freshman director's greetings



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Hello there and congratulations on your study place! Welcome to study technology in Oulu! This marks the beginning of an amazing and unique freshman year on your path toward becoming a Teekkari. In the upcoming academic year, you will get to know your new hometown Oulu, your fellow students, university life and us, who are already eagerly waiting for the arrival of the new freshmen! The purpose of this magazine is to guide you at the start of your studies, so you'll know what kind of community is here to support and help you through your first academic year. So, take a good look at the contents of this magazine to avoid being completely lost when faced with tricky questions.

Starting university can feel really exciting and you may feel like you're drowning in the flood of information at the beginning, but you're not alone in this situation. It's a good idea to begin digesting everything in small pieces by actively taking part in your group tutoring sessions. So there's no need to worry, because here you'll be welcomed with open arms by a wonderful group of students ready to introduce you to student life!

When you first step into the world of university, you'll be welcomed by your own tutor. Tutors guide you at the start of your studies, introduce you to student life and answer any questions you might have. Don't hesitate to ask them about anything that comes to mind! They can tell you about Teekkari traditions, student cafeterias, getting a bus card, course registrations and even how to fill out an application for Kela. During your freshman year, you'll also get to know your own guild, whose purpose is to represent students' interests both in academics and during free time. The guilds organize all kinds of activities outside of studies, so the upcoming year will definitely not be boring! In addition to the tutors, each of the eight technology guilds has freshman representatives and assistant representatives, who are also happy to help with everyday questions. Together with the freshman director (me) and the freshman helper (Roope), we form the Freshman Section. Freshman Section's main purpose is to take care of freshman orientation and organize a variety of amazing events for you!

In your first year of studies, you are not yet a Teekkari, you become one through various traditions. At the start of your freshman year, you will receive a freshman pass, in which you collect points throughout the year. This pass is your key to becoming a Teekkari and joining traditions that have continued for decades! If before the Oulu Teekkaris' Wappu celebration you have collected enough freshman points in your pass and have demonstrated your suitability to receive the title of 'Teekkari', you will be able to take a dip in the natural water at Åström Park on Wappu Eve and drown away your freshman status. You'll then receive your Teekkari cap on Wappu morning during the capping ceremony, after which you may wear it proudly throughout your studies. Remember to order your Teekkari cap in time so that it's ready for the ceremony. Your tutor will be sure to guide you with that as well. You become part of decades-long traditions and the unique Tupsuperhe ("Tassel family")!

In student life, you'll come across all kinds of events. Especially at the beginning of your freshman year, it's worth joining as many as you can with an open mind. That's where you'll get to know your fellow students and make new friends. Alongside all the fun, it's also important to focus on your studies and your well-being! The first few weeks can feel quite overwhelming with information and events coming from every direction, so remember to take breaks and rest! You don't need to remember everything right away, so no worries. That's exactly why me, Roope, the other members of the freshman section and the tutors are here for you! Don't hesitate to reach out, we're always happy to help.

We want to wish you an amazing and unforgettable freshman year, and we hope to get to know you as much as possible through all the events!

Freshman helper's greetings

Morjesta pöytään!

Welcome and congratulations on your study place at the University of Oulu. You're starting a unique and unforgettable journey, and your freshman year will be full of excitement, new people, events, and learning how things work. It may feel overwhelming at first, but don't worry, no one expects you to understand everything right away.

University life requires more independence than high school, but you're not alone. Asking questions and learning together are important parts of the experience. The freshman pass encourages you to explore student life through fun events and challenges. Fuksi guides and assistants are there to help you throughout the year. You are not alone, and you belong here. Take the leap, join in, and enjoy every moment of this one-of-a-kind freshman year!

Your small group and tutor will be your first support network, helping you with both studies and student life. Your guild also plays a key role by organizing events and representing students' interests.



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Superfreshmen's 2025 greetings

Hi and a huge congratulations on your study place!

Whether it's your first time stepping into the world of university or you're already an experienced student, your freshman year is sure to be an amazing experience. Especially at the beginning, it can feel like new and exciting things are coming at you from every direction, and it's hard to keep up. In those moments, it's best to jump in bravely and let the current carry you along!

We students are a diverse bunch, and so are the events: there are formal dinners, themed parties, scavenger hunts, and just casual hangouts—so there's definitely something for everyone. Especially at freshman events, it's worth joining from the very beginning to explore and get to know student culture. That's where you'll meet new people and start building the networks everyone always talks about.

Events aren't the only place to build those networks, you'll also meet new people in your courses. University studies are more independent than, for example, high school, so it's important to stay on top of them right from the start. If something feels challenging, you can always ask tutors and more experienced student mentors for advice with a low barrier to reach out. You can also often get peer support from your coursemates when working on assignments.

Studies and events can balance each other out, and even though combining them can sometimes feel exhausting, it's absolutely worth it. It's also important to take good care of your hydration and sleep. Water and your own bed are excellent options for that. Freshman year usually only happens once, so make the most of it - dive in boldly and start filling up your freshman pass!



International Committee



Hi! I'm Kukka, a fourth-year student studying Civil Engineering and this year I'm working as the International Affairs Manager of OTY. Together with our committee, I organize events and take care of international matters for the engineering guilds. You can spot me by my colorful "peacock" overalls and the special international manager's hood attached to them. See you at the events!

What's up everyone. My name is Aatu and I'm currently working as an international affairs manager for Ympäristörakentajakilta, civil- and environmental engineering guild. I enjoy interacting with different cultures and backgrounds on and off campus and that's what inspired me to apply for this position. Also I will be international student tutor for few lucky ones during this semester. Feel free to dap me up if you see me on the hallway



Hello, my name is Salla! You can recognize me from the clacking my mug makes when I walk or just resort to looking at this picture. I'm the International affairs manager of the Process guild who has one precious knot in their Teekkari cap. Scouting is my way of life and there I've gotten to work internationally. That was such an amazing experience for me and inspired me to work as an international affairs manager. I'm also working as a Kummi student for exchange students this fall and next spring. If you have any questions for me, feel free to ask!

Hello, I am Tuomas Uusitalo. I am from Konekilta which is guild of Mechanical engineering students. I study 5th year now there. I was couple years ago as Kummi for exchange students, which was interesting experience, and I enjoy to talk with foreign people a lot. Also I always like to do something new and interesting. This is my second year as International afraid manager. Like I said I was Kummi a.k.a. a tutor to exchange students. But other things in guild I haven't done. I have been outside of my guild in other hobby group's board couple times. So welcome to Oulu!



Hi. I am Eetu from SIK and this is my second year at Oulu Uni. I already have a degree in IT-engineering from OAMK. I've worked as a tester with 5G and fiber-optic cables. I have lived in Norway as a child and know six languages and have always been interested in different cultures. My interests revolve around gaming, music and arts and I recently joined a tribute band for The Cure 🎸 I'm also an amateur actor. I'm infected with queerness, neurodivergence and left-handedness so if you are also infected, please ask about my bunnies 🐰 🐰

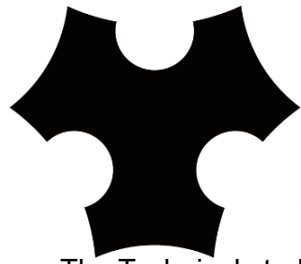


Oh hi, I am Mark! I am starting my third year here as a computer science bachelor, so I am a part of OTIT, a guild for all the CS students. Concurrently serving as the international affairs manager there. I came to Finland quite some time ago already and did high school here; it was IB :'. I enjoy doing sports, and at the moment I am exploring the realm of kickboxing. The creative process has always attracted me too, be it music, drawing, or coding. C++ is superior, did you know?! I warmly welcome you, and I am eager to meet all the freshmen starting their studies now!

I am Miska, an international tutor at OPTIEM, starting my third year of Industrial Engineering and Management studies. In my free time, I enjoy aviation-related things and also fly small planes myself. Additionally, I love to travel around the world and explore new, interesting places. That's why, besides university, you can often find me at the airport.



Hello all! My name is Saara, and I'm the international affairs manager of OLTO - the guild of biomedical engineering students. I'm starting my second year of studies in the biomedical engineering bachelors' program 😊 This year I'm also tutoring our new bachelors' freshmen and acting as our guild's communications manager. See you soon! If you have questions, you can contact me in telegram: @stressedsarppa



TECHNICAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION OF OULU

The Technical students association of Oulu (Oulun Teekkariyhdistys ry) serves as the coordinating body for all Teekkari guilds, essentially acting as an "umbrella guild." OTY's role is to organize events for all Teekkari students, maintain collaboration with other Teekkari communities in Finland, engage with students from other fields and faculties, and connect with our professional organization, TEK.

After paying OTY's lifetime membership fee, you'll receive various benefits from your membership. As a sign of membership, you'll get a membership sticker, which gives you discounts on, among other things, entrance fees to events organized by OTY. Membership also gives you the opportunity to order the Oulu Teekkari cap.

In Kaijonharju stands the Teekkaritalo (Teekkarihouse), built as a result of OTY's building project. The house was completed in 1993 thanks to numerous material and financial donations, as well as an immeasurable amount of volunteer work. Even though the house is fully operational, it still requires

maintenance, which is handled by Teekkarilupi operating under OTY. The house is also rented out to external parties, but there's always space available for student gatherings, since that's what it was built for. OTY's office is located on the upper floor of the Teekkaritalo.

In addition to the board, the Oulu Teekkari Association also includes various committees, such as the Freshman Section organizing events for freshmen, the WappuComitea preparing for Wappu, IA Committee handling all international affairs, TeKoLupi handling academic matters, and the Event and Culture Committee (TeKuToKu). If you're interested in association activities, don't hesitate to join us!

During the semester, OTY holds office hours at the Teekkaritalo on Mondays from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. More detailed information about office hours is provided on OTY's website and via email.

Website:
www.oty.fi

Telegram:
t.me/otyinfo

Instagram:
[oulunteekkariyhdistys](https://www.instagram.com/oulunteekkariyhdistys)

Facebook:
[Oulun Teekkariyhdistys](https://www.facebook.com/OulunTeekkariyhdistys)

Member's magazine:
Teksuutimet

OTY is

- An association with over 4,000 members
- The umbrella organization for seven Teekkari guilds and OLTO

OTY organizes

- Oulu Teekkari Wappu
- Cultural events for Teekkari students
- Leisure activities

Additionally, OTY

- Owns the Teekkaritalo
- Coordinates overall and Teekkari cap orders
- Cherishes Oulu Teekkari traditions



The Student Union of the University of Oulu

Subject societies and roof guilds

OLuT
Kaski
Finanssi
Humanistinen Kilta
OLK
OHLK
Terveystieteiden Kilta
OLTO



OTY's committees

Alumni committee
Freshman Section
JoTKu
IA Committee
TeKoLupi
TeKuToKu
TYrSK
Sports Division
Leisure division
WappuComitea

Arkkitehtikilta
Ympäristörakentajakilta
Prosessikilta
Konekilta
Sähköinsinöörilikilta
Oulun Tietoteekkarit
OPTIEM
OLTO



OULUN ARKKITEHTIKILTA

Studying architecture

The Architecture Unit is located at the Linnanmaa campus, alongside other technical fields, at the main campus of the University of Oulu. First-year students have their own drawing studio, located next to the second-year studio. In the drawing studio, architecture students can choose their own personal desk, where they can store their belongings and work. The Architecture Unit also offers other study spaces, such as computer labs and an art room. Working in the same space with other freshmen is rewarding, and there is always someone to take a break with or ask for help.

The architecture community in Oulu is relatively small, but very active and close-knit. We have our own Guild House, and at the weekly guild nights, you can get to know students from the older year groups. You can also spot them at the university's guild room, brewing coffee. Feel free to approach older students anytime, as they are happy to help and encourage you through the courses.

Founded: October 1959

Admittance amount: about 50 bachelors and 15 masters

Overall color: painters white

Guild magazine: Alkkari

Guild Website: www.oulunarkkitehtikilta.net

Instagram: oulunarkkitehtikilta

Guild Freshman point: Kiltatalotalkoot (Guild house work)

Guild room location: In Agora, between Konekatu and Tekniikankatu



Guild

The Oulu Architecture Guild was founded in 1959, making us the oldest guild among the Oulu Teekkari guilds! We collaborate frequently with other Teekkari guilds, and Teekkaris have plenty of events throughout the year. There are also interdisciplinary events, bringing together different faculties and student organizations, so you definitely won't get bored in terms of activities. Our own guild also organizes plenty of entertainment. The Oulu Architecture Guild's Guild House is located in Pikisaari, near the city center. The log-structured house was originally built in the 1800s in the city center and was later moved to its current location by the guild. All members of the guild are welcome at the Guild House, and sometimes, such as during Wappu, all students are invited.

Events

Some of our guild's interdisciplinary events include the Barbaariset Bakkanaalit, Makia-appro, and the release party for the Wappu magazine, Oöpinen. Within the guild, we occasionally organize events such as sittings and excursions—visits to various destinations. Every month, we have a guild weekend, during which the Guild House is open to guild members all weekend. The guild also has sports sessions twice a week.

Your freshman year will surely be memorable and event-rich! Welcome <3

Freshman representative:
Eevi Pelkonen
@eevipelkonen

Freshman Shepherd:
Kauri Haasmaa
@kaurihaasmaa



OULUN YLIOPISTON YMPÄRISTÖRAKENTAJAKILTA RY

Hey freshman!

Huge congratulations on getting accepted and a warm welcome to Oulu!

Oulun yliopiston Ympäristö- ja Rakentajakilta ry, or more commonly YRK, is a guild for both environmental engineering and construction and civil engineering students. Our guild was founded on the basis of Rakentajakilta ry in 1959, so we are the second oldest Teekkari guild in Oulu. A total of 169 freshmen begin their studies in our degree programs this year; a total of 104 in bachelor's, 40 in the master's and 20 in the international program.

Studies

Construction and civil engineering students choose structural design, civil engineering or mining engineering as their field of study in the bachelor's phase. During the masters, you can also focus on construction health. Environmental engineering students, on the other hand, choose sustainable energy systems, industrial environmental engineering or water and environmental engineering as their field of study in the masters phase. Both of our guild's degree programs are excellent future fields and their employment prospects are excellent.

Founded: 4.12.1959

Admittance amount: 109 + 40 (masters)

Overall color: blue-red-yellow

Guild magazine: Nakertaja

Guild website: www.ymparistorakentajakilta.net

Instagram: ymparistorakentajakilta

TikTok: yrkoulu

Guild freshman point: Fuksijalis
(Freshman football)

Guild room location: Catacombs, behind
the green coat racks

How to recognize us?

We are easy to recognize from our three-color overalls, which have blue, red and yellow. In addition, our Teekkari caps are decorated with a cockade depicting our guild's logo. In addition to colorful overalls, we can be recognized by the hand-pulled red sauna. During Wappu, the YRK -calendar is also published by the calendar committee. The freshman helpers of the YRK freshman team can be recognized by their colorful vests and the freshman manager from their wonderful cape.

YRK Guild room

Our guild room is located right in the heart of the university, i.e. behind the green coat racks (near the central lobby). In the guild room you can, for example, advance your studies, meet new people, take a nap, sip coffee or just hang out in good company. The atmosphere is warm, although we can't guarantee the quality of conversation. In addition, all upcoming events of the current month appear on the calendar on the guild's wall, which will of course also be announced on our guild's media channels. You are always welcome to visit our guild room when there is a suitable slot in your day for it!



From work clothes to evening gowns 15

At the beginning of the academic year, we organize the Akateemiset Alkajaiset together with Oulun tuotantotalousteekkarit (Industrial management guild, Optiem) and a little later in the fall the Pultsariapprot with Sähköinsinöörikielto (Electrical engineering guild, SIK). At the Raksasitsit organized by our guild, you can channel your inner construction worker spirit and put on construction clothes. In addition, together with Optiem, we organize ValeWappu, where guilds get to compete in an elephant ball tournament. We are also involved in organizing a Wine and song evening with Optiem and Prosessikielto. A couple of times a year we have the YRK-SIK days with our guild room neighbor SIK, when the door between our guild rooms is opened. In addition to these events, our guild organizes, for example, sitsit, excursions, company visits and leisure activities for its members.

Where can I get to learn more??!

Come and have a look at our guild's wonderful new website, and also Instagram and TikTok publications. In addition to pictures, you can find more information about our guild, contact information and study materials on our website. Your freshman year will certainly be very memorable and at the same time pass by in a blur. So make the most of it! Autumn, and the whole year, is full of events that are really worth participating in, because unique experiences, new friends and, of course, much-coveted freshman points await you. It's worth it to go out and try new things! In addition to the freshman committee, your own tutor is already looking forward to the beginning of autumn and will guide you to the beginning of university life. It's completely natural to be nervous about a new situation, but you're not alone! There are a lot of us here and we are here for all you freshmen! So don't hesitate to ask if something bothers you - there are no stupid questions.

We wish you the best freshman year! Wonderful, we'll see you soon! <3

Freshman helper: Aletta
Hoikkaniemi @alettahoi

Freshman manager: Pekka
Pyörälä @jpyorala

Freshman helper: Katariina
Koutonen @kastehelmii



OULUN YLIOPISTON PROSESSIKILTA RY

Hello there! Massive congratulations on getting accepted, and welcome to Oulu!

Oulun yliopiston Prosessikilta ry, more commonly known as Prose, is the student guild for students of process engineering and mining and enrichment engineering. Prosessikilta is the third oldest Teekkari guild in Oulu, which was founded a whopping 64 years ago. Although our guild already has a bit of age, it is still very youthful and boldly pushing forward.

You recognize a student from Prose from the crowd by the already slightly darkened "pure white" overalls and from the "Kaikki Virtaa" ("Everything Flows") arrow, which decorates every one of our student's cockades on the Teekkari cap.

Studies

Process engineering studies consist of a bachelor's degree and from the master's phase, from which one graduates with a master's degree in engineering. The Bachelor's phase includes basic and subject studies, which deal with the basics of process engineering, mathematics, chemistry, physics, Swedish and English, as well as various natural phenomena, getting to know the topics of advanced studies and on-the-job training. The master's phase includes the advanced studies of your choice according to specialization. The fields of study are chemical engineering, automation technology, bioproduct and bioprocess technology and process metallurgy.



Founded: 13.3.1961

Admittance amount: 70

Overall color: Pure white

Guild magazine: Porle

Guild website: www.prosessikilta.fi

Instagram: prosessikilta

Guild freshman point: Kiltistalkoot
(Guild room cleaning)

Guild room location: Along Prosessikatu,
from the V1 stairwell to the catacombs

Guild room

It's easy to find Prose members in droves on weekdays in our guild room, which can be found along the Prosessikäytävä in the basement of the V1 staircase. In our guild room you will find the largest intact TV in the Teekkari guilds, a foosball table, several board games, a kitchen, and sofas so comfortable that they sometimes feel difficult to get up from. On the side of the back room there is a dart board and a bigger table and chairs for studying. It's worth coming to the guild room between lectures to get to know other students and drink a cup of coffee, if not two.

Events

Our guild organizes two big events during the year - MallasAppro in the fall and Kirkkovenesoudut in the spring.

Mallasappro, more commonly known as Mappro, is one of the biggest student events in Oulu. The event organized in October gathers students from all over Finland to tour the bars in the city center.

Kirkkovenesoudut, more commonly known as Soudut, are organized as part of Teekkari Wappu. University subject organizations and local companies participate in the rowing to compete for the dominance of Oulujoki. After the rowing, the day continues in the city center with Jälkisoudut.

In addition to these, our guild organizes many other events and activities during the year, both among guild members and with other guilds. We organize, among other things, theme parties, sports events, skiing trips, sport trials, excursions (i.e. company visits), parties, company evenings and much else!

Freshman minion:
Alisa Annunen @alisaannunen

Freshman representative:
Alina Joensuu @alinajoensuu

What else?

There's a lot going on in our guild, so it is worth following our social media and information channel right from the get go, so you will be informed about everything possible!

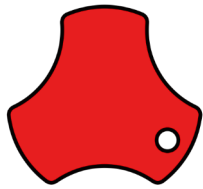
It's worth talking to older students about summer jobs, because they are happy to tell you more. There is a good buzz in the guild room during the winter regarding summer jobs and at the same time you can hear really valuable advice and tips for summer jobs.

Upcoming fall

Freshman year is a unique year and we encourage you to make the most of it. Student events offer a good counterweight to studies and make it possible to meet new people, getting to know each other and creating lifelong friendships. Have the best and most memorable year of your life!

Wishing you a fun and eventful freshman year! – Alina and Alisa





OULUN YLIOPISTON KONEINSINÖÖRIKILTA

Hello freshman!

Welcome to the Kone (Mechanical Engineering) pages! This year, you'll be welcomed by Freshman Director Artturi and Freshman Shepherd Eetu. The Mechanical Engineering Guild of the University of Oulu, known as Konekilta - or more briefly (and loudly) KONE - is the guild for friends wearing bright red overalls. You can recognize its members not only by these overalls, but also by the large cockade on their Teekkari cap and their eye-catching vehicles!

You'll easily run into Kone members at events throughout the year and around the university, as we are one of the largest guilds.

Studies

It's easy to assume that Mechanical Engineering is all about working on cars and wearing gasoline-scented sneakers, but there's much more to our guild! There are more specializations than you can count on one hand: Automotive and Construction Machinery Engineering, Mechanical Design, Production Technology, Technical Mechanics, Materials Engineering, and Mechatronics & Machine Diagnostics.

During the first year, the focus is on basic studies, which are the same for everyone. These include introductory courses in mathematics, statics and strength of materials. You can tackle these together in the guild's study room KO155, located at the top of the guildroom stairs.

After the basic studies, in the second year, you choose your specialization for the remainder of your studies—but remember, you're never alone! Each specialization has its own courses, but there are also shared courses that continue well into the later years of your studies.

Founded: 27.9.1965

Admittance amount: 110

Overall color: Red

Guild magazine: Kampiakseli

Guild website: www.konekilta.fi

Instagram: konekilta

Guild freshman point: Laskiaisen järjestely (Organizing Laskiainen)

Guild room location: Along Tekniikankatu near 2S-door in the catacombs

Vehicles

As mentioned earlier, and as you will likely notice, it's not uncommon to come across an unusual red vehicle or two in Oulu's student scene. The vehicles of Kone are prized treasures of our guild, including our oldest member, the fire truck Ykä (-28), the Land Rovers Mellakka and Korppu, and a Jawa motorcycle. It's possible to ride in any of these - just ask the driver if you're even a little interested!

In addition to motorized friends, Kone members also get around the university corridors on red scooters, the largest and loudest of which is Lauri. You can't miss it.

Events

Kone members aren't just seen at general events—throughout the year, Konekilta also organizes its own events, which are naturally some of the best of the year!

The biggest and most traditional event is Kone's Laskiainen, held annually on Shrove Tuesday. Kone freshmen earn a "Shrove Tuesday Organization" point for their freshman pass during this event. In addition to Laskiainen, Kone also hosts the Shrove Tuesday Pub Crawl, affectionately called L'approt.

We also organize all kinds of other events, such as parties, pub crawls, excursions, and more, often together with other student associations. A great example is the large autumn scavenger hunt, Orientteerinki, organized together with OAMK's engineering students.

Events are an excellent way to meet new people, have fun with friends, or just spend time socially. Beyond the freshman points and memories, they also create connections that expand your network even further. So make the most of your time as a student!

Guild Room

The guild room is our guild's own living room, located in the basement at the end of the mechanical engineering corridor. For guild members, it's like a home on campus, where you can hang out together between lectures and labs. Spending time at the guild room is a little everyday luxury—you can have morning coffee with friends, catch up on news, sew patches on your overalls, work on assignments, or even play Mario Kart!

Freshman shepherd: Eetu Lassila @elassila

Freshman director: Artturi Kettula @arakettula

In Conclusion

First-year studies are challenging—few manage them without help. However, guild members are there to support you every step of the way, so it's worth getting to know others, attending events, and above all, having fun!

The freshman year concludes at Wappu, when freshmen are "reborn" as Teekkaris and get to wear the bright white Teekkari caps. Freshman year only happens once, so make it unforgettable!

As your freshman director, shepherd, and tutors, we are always ready to answer your burning questions, so don't hesitate to ask for help if you need it. We are here for you!

Finally, as an extra note, our guild's website has a photo gallery, more information about the guild, and a comprehensive amount of study material.





SÄHKÖINSINÖÖRIKILTA

Hello new freshman and electrical congratulations for the beginning of your university career!

Oulu University Sähköinsinööri ry, or SIK in trendy terms, is the student organization for electrical and telecommunications engineering students.

The color of our overalls is electric blue and the Teekkari cap is decorated with a lightning cockade. Other hallmarks of SIK are, among others: NeverSki skis that can be driven by three, prams tuned with a subwoofer and car entertainment technology, or Möykkävaunut.

If you notice the Norwegian flag flying, don't worry about the invasion of Norway, the person waving the flag is the freshman representative of our guild, who only has something to say to freshmen.

Guild room

Our guild room, which has served many electrical Teekkaris, can be found in the caches of the catacombs of Fysiikankatu. At the guild room you can relax with the pleasure produced by loud speakers, and you can play video games with our entertainment equipment; even racing, to feel like Kalle Rovankerä. In the guild room, you can find math help and other fellow students studying in the same field. At the guild room coffee is always brewing and in the fridge you can find a cold drink to enjoy while studying. Other ways to spend time at the guild room: dart board, table tennis, reading magazines, hanging out with friends and studying.

Founded: 7.10.1965

Admittance amount: 85

Overall color: Electric blue

Guild magazine: Sinssi

Guild website: www.sik.fi

Instagram: sik_oulu

Guild freshman point: Kiltistalkoot
(Guild room cleaning)

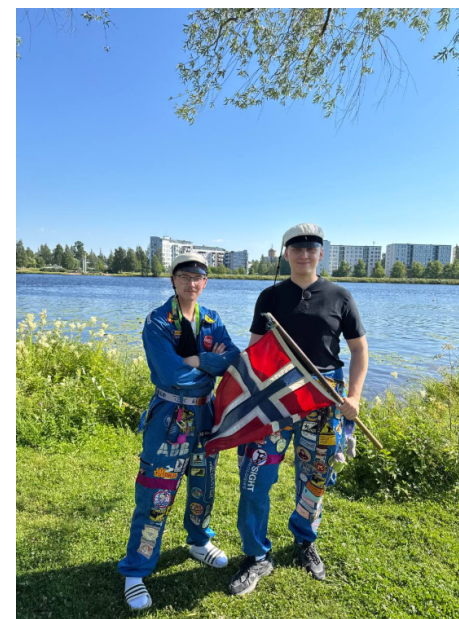
Guild room location: On Fysiikankatu in the catacombs near J2 door

Electronics club

The electronics club gathers every Monday next to Fab Lab to make the most marvelous contraptions. Anyone is able to join the club and what's best is that it's completely free for everyone! You can also do your own little projects with the tools and components found at the club that are free to use. (Important! This is the place where you can make yourself the coolest LED lighting overall patch!)

Sinssi

In the guild magazine, you can read the hottest student tips and reviews of the time, as well as many other articles that are only limited by your imagination. The magazine is published four times a year on average, and you can create your own storyboard there yourself, for example by writing and publishing your articles!



Events and excursions

SIK organizes a variety of events for freshmen and other students. In the autumn the most interesting events for freshmen are the freshman excursion (bus/party trip to a mystery location) and freshman sitsit that are traditionally organized with Arkkitehtikilta (architecture guild). SIK in collaboration with other Teekkari guilds also organizes ympärihiidot and pultsariaprot. The year's and also your entire life's most electrical party can be found at sähköpäivät that are organized with the sister guilds from Aalto, Vaasa, Tampere and Lappeenranta. This year sähköpäivät are held in Lappeenranta!

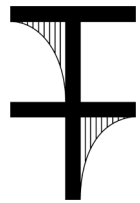
End notes

Freshman year is a really unique year in your life, so make the most of it! In the freshman pass that will be distributed to you, the most important Teekkari events are listed, and it is worth collecting notes from tutors and freshman managers throughout the year. If something's bothering you about events, studies or life, you can always ask your tutors, freshman representative and assistant for help with any problems. You will also make friends from students of different years and guilds, because the Teekkari community will always hold. Courage, curiosity and a bit of craziness are good merits here and everyone is accepted as you are. On Wappu, put your Teekkari caps on and let everyone know!

Sähköinsinööriilta wishes you the best freshman year!

Freshman shepherd:
Juho Törmänen @jtormanen

Freshman representative:
Matti Damski @Dam_sk1



OULUN TIETOTEEKKARIT

Hi new CSE freshmen!

Congratulations on your study place and welcome to the ranks of Oulun Tietoteekkarit! Oulun Tietoteekkarit ry or OTiT, as we like to call it, is the student guild for computer science and engineering students. We offer a community, events, culture, and a way to connect with like-minded people. Welcome aboard, this is where it all begins!

Guild Room

Our guild room is located along Kauppakatu, in the catacombs of the university. You'll find it by entering through the door marked by the OTiT sign and heading down the stairs – right in front of you, you'll see an orange door that opens up to reveal our headquarters. The guild room is divided into two parts: the front room and the back room. In the front room, you'll find various game consoles, a computer, board games, and a pool table. It's a great place for gaming, watching cat videos, or engaging in debates over a cup of coffee. The back room has sofas and tables and offers a quiet space for studying alone or with others. You can also meet older guild members there who share life wisdom and sometimes give sensible coding tips. The guild room also has snacks, and you can enjoy a cup of coffee there. The board is constantly working to make the guild room cozier so it can serve our members even better. The space is designed for guild members – whether you're coming to work on a group project, play games, or just relax after a lecture, you are always welcome in the guild room!

Founded: 26.9.1988

Annual intake: 100 + 33 (DICE)

Overall color: Black

Guild magazine: Terminaali

Guild website: www.otit.fi

Instagram: @ouluntietoteekkarit

Freshman points activity: Participation in one subcontest of OTiT Tournament is Tournaments

Guild room location: In the catacombs along Kauppakatu

Events

Throughout the year, our guild organizes various events, both just for guild members and in collaboration with other student organizations. The most important events for freshmen in the fall are the freshman excursion and the freshman sittning, and we highly recommend checking them out! These events aim to introduce you to the Teekkari culture. In the fall, our guild also organizes the Guild Room Tour, where you'll get to see the atmosphere and spaces where other student organizations spend their time. This is also a great opportunity to buy overall patches! After the Guild Room Tour, the vibe continues with the City Tour, where the group explores Oulu's pubs. Another important event in the fall is our guild's PikkuWappu, where you'll get a taste of the upcoming Wappu festivities!

In January, the OTiT – Tournaments is Tournaments begins and runs for the entire year. Guild members compete in various games and sports – from kyykkä and billiards to PC and console games. Points are awarded at each tournament, and at the end of the year, the winner is crowned the OTiT TitaaniTeekkari. Freshmen gain freshman points for participating, and winners receive prizes, fame, and glory. In the spring, the traditional Humanöörisittning will take place, allowing you to test what you learned during the freshman sittning, and the freshman excursion will extend into a longer KotiMaanPitkä excursion towards Otaniemi and the traditional Titeenien taistot among all of Finland's computer science and engineering students!

Getting Involved

If you're interested in guild activities, it's a good idea to chat with this year's active members in the fall and join the guild's mingle night. In the annual election meeting held every fall, any guild member can run for a position! Our guild has both officer and board positions available, and many of these roles are perfect for freshmen. We're eager to welcome new and enthusiastic individuals into our activities! In these roles, you'll easily get to know new people, learn new skills, and network around the university.

In Conclusion

We want to remind you that your fresher year is unique – and you (usually) only get one! You'll get the most out of it by joining in bravely, trying new things, meeting new people, and enjoying everything the guild and student life have to offer. You'll make memories you won't experience in the same way again – and don't forget to study too! The year will fly by in the blink of an eye and end with Wappu, and before you know it, you'll be wearing the black-and-white tassel cap with pride.

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OPTIEM - OULUN TUOTANTOTALOUSTEEKKARIT

Hello there, new freshers!

Optiem is the guild for students in Industrial Engineering and Management. The name Optiem comes from "Oulu Presents The Industrial Engineering and Management." Our guild, Optiem, is the smallest and youngest of the Teekkari guilds after the Medical Technology students in Oulu, but we have a long history in the Teekkari community, dating back to 1991. Our guild has a fantastic sense of community, and our members actively participate in various Teekkari events

Guild Room

The guild room serves as a second home for our members, where you can spend your time however you like, whether it's between lectures or late at night. The guild room has board games, a pool table, and the largest TV among all the guild rooms. Besides guild members, all Teekkaris and freshers are welcome to come and ask about the latest happenings, buy overall patches, or play games. When you arrive at our guild room, you'll probably find Jetpunk or Contexto games already in progress, so feel free to join in!

Events

Optiem organizes a wide range of events, and the autumn party season kicks off explosively with the Akateemiset Alkajaiset, which our guild organizes together with the Environmental and Civil Engineering Guild. You definitely don't want to miss these parties! In the spring semester, we will also collaborate with YRK to host the popular ValeWappu. Additionally, we organize company visits (excursions), sauna evenings, movie nights, gaming nights, sitsit, sports sessions, and anything else our members might wish for.

Founded: 20.5.1991

Admittance amount: 51

Overall color: Mint green

Guild magazine: Laatta

Guild website: www.optiem.fi

Instagram: optiemry

Freshman points activity: Annual OPTIEM Feedback day

Guild room location: Along Prosessikatu, From the V1 stairwell to the catacombs

Sports

Optiem members are generally enthusiastic about sports. Our guild, in collaboration with YRK and Prose, offers weekly sports sessions for our members. The members get to decide what to play during these sessions, and they have been very popular. We also welcome competitive challenges from other Teekkaris, as our guild has a strong competitive spirit! This is evident through our internal competitions, such as Pooliem (billiards), Sähliem (floorball), Pokeriem (poker), and Beachiem (beach volleyball). Optiem regularly organizes sports trials, and our members have had the chance to try out karting, fencing, and paintball. We also engage in e-sports through traditional gaming nights.

Laatta

Our guild magazine, Laatta, is published at least four times a year! A great way to get to know our guild, our members, and our amazing events is to read Laatta, which is also published for every Teekkari guild. You'll surely find something to smile—or even laugh—about in every issue.

Studies

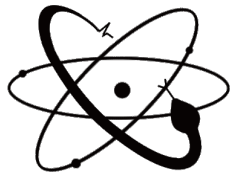
So, what do we actually study in industrial engineering and management? Simply put, the studies combine commercial and technical aspects. For instance, the basic course in project management and the basic course in production economics are popular among students from other fields as well, providing a foundation for terms and models related to industrial engineering. In the project management course, you can also earn a project management certification. If you have any questions about your studies, feel free to ask our academic affairs manager, Mari, whose contact information (along with that of all other active members) can be found on Optiem's website.

Our small and tight-knit guild takes care of its freshers through Freshman Manager Enni and Freshman Assistant Aurora. You can come to us with any questions, whether you're a guild member or a fellow Teekkari freshman in need of help. Congratulations to every future Teekkari, and we'll see you at the autumn events!



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OULUN LÄÄKETIETEEN TEKNIIKAN OPISKELIJAT RY

Hi to all freshmen!

Oulun lääketieteen tekniikan opiskelijat ry a.k.a OLTO is a subject organization founded in 1993, whose task is to act as a connecting link for students interested in medical technology at the University of Oulu. The guild has more than 800 members, who represent an exceptionally wide range of students and graduates from almost all faculties of the University of Oulu. The members of the guild are united by their interest in applying their knowledge to medical technology applications and deepening their studies already in medical technology.

OLTO differs from other guilds, as any student of the University of Oulu can become a member. Joining is free and takes place on OLTO's website.

In addition to Teekkari students, there are also others who study in our guild, but you can recognize the medical technology students from the crowd, because they have the right to wear a Teekkari cap with an OLTO cockade after joining Oulun Teekkariyhdistys (Technical Students Association of Oulu). Or at least it used to be like this, because now in the fall the new OLTO bachelor's program starts. In this case, you, dear freshmen, have the right to proudly wear the OLTO cockade on your Teekkari cap after the Wappu cap ceremony.

OLTO organizes many great events for its members, such as bar parties, sitsit and Christmas parties. In addition, excursions are organized during the year, such as RekomBIOnaatio, where biotechnology students from all over Finland gather to network with each other in good company.

Founded: 17.11.1993

Admittance amount: 40

Overall color: white and baby blue

Guild website: www.olto.fi

Instagram: oltokilta

Guild freshman point: Osallistuminen OLTO:n alumnipäivään (Joining OLTO's alumni day)

Guild room location: On the 2nd floor above restaurant Foobar on the ATK katu

As mentioned earlier, OLTO has a bachelors program. And this bachelors phase starts right now after a long break! Let's hold on to our socks, because this year they might be spinning with excitement of everything new and wonderful. The courses in the bachelors phase include plenty of courses common to all freshmen, and we get to really go deeper in the studies of the OLTO DI line. Those studying on the DI line graduate with a master's in engineering in medical technology, and those studying on the master's line graduate as masters in health sciences. The education leading to the degree of Master of Science in Engineering focuses on medical signal and image processing, machine learning and measurement and analysis of medical data. The education leading to the master's degree in health sciences, on the other hand, focuses on biomechanics, medical imaging and health technology applications.

Freshman helper:
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Freshman representative:
Christian Hellberg @chellberg

**Ps. vi*tu mähä sanoin, että en
veä enää kertaakaan!**



You can apply for master's programs after you have completed a lower university degree or a university of applied sciences degree suitable for the field. Bachelor's degrees in almost all fields of technology are suitable basics, and you can get the most out of OLTO when you study this beautiful field from a freshman. It is also possible to study medical technology as a minor in many fields. There are many companies in the field of medical technology in Oulu, and perhaps the most famous of these are Oura Health and Polar. In addition, a lot of research in the field is also carried out in Oulu.

In early fall, OLTO's freshman info will be organized, which will tell more about the guild's activities and medical technology studies in more detail. Everyone is welcome to the info, from our own freshmen to people who are interested in medical technology. See you there!

And last, but not least, our own introduction. We are Lauri and Christian, OLTO's representatives in the Freshmen Committee of OTY. We make sure that OLTO's freshmen and students in the DI phase are given appropriate freshman upbringing. We organize events for freshmen and make sure that you have fun while studying medical technology. Let's make this a good year!

As a tip for the coming year: Get fully involved in the guild's activities, freshman activities and be active. Freshman year only comes once and as a freshman it's great to make new acquaintances across guild boundaries. It is advisable to balance your studies with hobbies, so that the basic courses do not seem so difficult. Ps. check out the hobby activities under OYY and go to the slopes with us.

Best regards, Christian and Lauri

Teekkari cap

When Teekkari in Oulu graduates, the nodes will be opened in the Diploma Conderment Ceremony. A knotless Cap is thus a sign of graduation.

Each guild has its own cap cockade worn at the front of the cap. From the Oulu Teekkari cap, you can also see which guild the Teekkari belongs to, and thus what they study. The cap must never be worn without the front cockade, and only one cockade from the guild of the wearer's membership should be displayed.

Caps become individualized through knots, the cockade, and natural patina, but any other modifications are forbidden. An exception exists: most engineering guilds, as well as OTY, have separately approved board and position cockades. These cockades are placed either on the tip above the tassel cord or on the front, replacing the standard guild cockade. The most common position cockade is the board cockade, shaped like the guild logo and worn on the tip as a pin. Current and former board members of the guild wear it.

The Teekkari cap may be worn during the summer season from the declaration of Teekkari Wappu on Wappu Eve until the last day of September, when the permission to wear the cap - called the cap permit - expires at the Cap descension. To wear the cap during the winter season, a separate cap permit must be applied for. This permit is usually applied for by the event organizer, but you can also apply for it yourself. Instructions for the application can be found on OTY's website, and the permit is granted by the OTY board.

Before you can proudly wear the Teekkari cap on Wappu morning at 5:00 AM on May 1st, you will use a freshman cap, which serves as a practice cap during your freshman year...

The Teekkari cap holds a status among Teekkari students comparable to that of the Finnish flag in Finland. Tassel caps (Tupsulakit) have served as a symbol of Teekkari identity since 1893. The Oulu Teekkari cap differs significantly from caps in other Teekkari locations, as it is modeled after the Sámi's "Four Winds" hat. Consequently, the Oulu Teekkari cap uniquely features a small drop on the cap from which the tassel cord begins. Traditions related to the cap also vary between different Teekkari locations. The cap should be worn according to the rules of its local area. The use of the Oulu Teekkari cap is recorded in OTY's Cap Act and regulations, which can be found on OTY's website. Let's go over the most important points regarding the use of our cap.

A knot will be tied to the tassel rope of the cap in honor of every Teekkari Wappu spent in Oulu. It is thus possible to deduce Teekkari's annual course from the knots in the rope. The tassel rope can only hold 4 knots, so a slipknot is tied after the fifth Wappu. After that the years aren't been counted and many use just the impression "Nth year".



Freshman cap

To ensure that you know how to wear the Teekkari cap correctly on Wappu morning and are familiar with the traditions associated with it, you, as a freshman, must practice wearing the cap using a freshman cap! The freshman cap is a precursor to the Teekkari cap and should be worn with the same dignity as the official cap. It is not a "shame" or initiation cap, but an honest practice cap for everyone to learn the proper use of the Teekkari cap.

The freshman cap may only be worn at events that have a cap permit, and all the same rules that apply to the Teekkari cap also apply to it. Be careful, for example, not to let knots form in the tassel cord.

Unlike the Teekkari cap, the freshman cap can only be obtained on one specific day. Freshman caps are distributed at the Freshman Capping Ceremony at the end of September, which precedes the Cap descension. If you started your studies in January, it is still possible to get a freshman cap by contacting a member of the Freshman Section. Be attentive, as acquiring the freshman cap also allows you to earn several freshman points.

The Oulu freshman cap has a long-standing tradition. In 1977, a strike by the workers at Wahlman, the manufacturer of Teekkari caps, coincided with Wappu, preventing that year's freshmen from receiving their Teekkari caps on Wappu morning. As a temporary solution, the new Teekkari students wore white Miranol caps with a woolen tassel instead of the official cap. Since then, similar painter's caps have served as freshman caps. Nowadays, the color of the freshman caps has changed to blue, as white painter's caps are no longer widely produced.

Over time, traditions have developed around the freshman cap. One of the newest is the ceremonial burning of the freshman caps at the Teekkaritalo on Wappu evening. The ashes are collected and placed in Kuivasjärvi by OTY's Superfreshman after Wappu concludes. The freshman cap does not have a separate cockade; instead, the guild symbol is drawn on the front of the cap. Likewise, when serving on the guild board, the board symbol may be drawn on the right side of the freshman cap, where the board cockade would normally be on the Teekkari cap's tip.

The separate freshman cap is specifically an Oulu tradition. In other Teekkari locations, freshmen spend their first year either without a cap or wearing a customized student cap (YO-lakki). The Freshman Capping Ceremony itself is a traditional Oulu event.



Freshman pass and points

The freshman pass is a cardboard construction, a true marvel of engineering, in which freshman points are collected across nine different categories from a variety of events, tasks, and activities. Each freshman receives their pass from their small-group instructor at the start of the autumn. The pass must be assembled correctly and kept intact—do not wash it in a washing machine! Also, try to avoid losing the pass; it's a good idea to leave it at home when going out to parties or events.

Assembling the Freshman Pass

Cut along the dotted lines to create three pieces of cardboard. The largest piece has eight slots. Insert the piece labeled “1. Merit” into the slots on one edge of the largest piece, alternating from different sides of the strips so that page 1 ends up on top of page 3. Insert the second piece into the opposite edge, starting on the opposite side from the previous insertion, so that page 6 ends up underneath page 4. Now you have your own 12-page freshman pass!

What Are Freshman Points?

Freshmen collect points on their passes to earn their Teekkari cap on the first Wappu. To do this, you must gather 32 freshman points and participate in the freshman swims. Different events give different point values according to the pass's color coding: the top section gives 3 points, the next two sections 2 points each, and the remaining sections 1 point each, except for the “joker” section, which can give a maximum of 3 points. Point collection starts in the autumn and continues until the Wappu Eve. Opportunities to earn points decrease as events pass, so it's wise to be active right from the start.

Only a freshman who wakes up just before Wappu can still, as a last resort, earn points by helping with Wappu preparations or other small tasks offered by the guilds, but you shouldn't rely entirely on these for collecting points. The number of points you collect directly affects the guild's internal swimming order on Waatto (Wappu Eve). Across all Teekkari guilds, there is also a competition for who collects the most freshman points—the winner earns the prestigious title of Superfreshman on Wappu.

Requirements for Receiving the Teekkari Cap

You become a student of technology the moment you accept your study place and step through the university's front doors, but the Teekkari cap—and the title of Teekkari that comes with it—is awarded no earlier than Wappu morning. The Teekkari title comes with the responsibility of knowing Teekkari traditions. For this reason, you must collect at least 32 freshman points on your pass, with 4 points per column in the first eight columns. The ninth column is optional. Collecting freshman points is easy and mostly fun, so it's worth being active!

If You Don't Have Enough Points

If you haven't collected enough points or don't complete the swim, you can still receive your cap at the Mother's Day capping ceremony. This can also happen if, for some reason, you accidentally oversleep the night before Wappu and aren't at Rauhala courtyard to pick up your cap at 4:00 AM on Wappu morning. Remember, though, that freshman points, the Teekkari cap, and the Teekkari title are meant to be pursued with a positive attitude and joy, not with furrowed brows!

Freshman Points

Freshman points are awarded either at the event itself or afterwards, provided there is a Teekkari witness or supporting evidence (e.g., a video or photo). So-called “good-guy points” are not granted.

Joker Points

Tasks marked in the “joker” section are only suggestions for earning points, with the number of points indicated in parentheses next to the task. Multiple events can be used to fill the joker section, up to a total of 3 points. Joker points cannot be applied to any other sections except those marked as jokers.

How Many Points Must Be Collected?

You must collect at least 4 freshman points in each of the first 8 columns of the freshman pass (the 9th column is optional), for a total of 32 points. Once you have collected enough points, you may participate in the swim on Waatto to “drown your freshmanhood,” after which you are entitled to receive your Teekkari cap on Wappu morning.

If anything is unclear, contact the Freshman Section or your freshman director at fuksiohjaaja@oty.fi

Who can award Freshman points?

Maximum 3-point awarding authority:

- OTY Board
- Freshman Section
- Chairpersons of Teekkari guilds
- TeekkariLupi Board

Maximum 2-point awarding authority:

- Small-group instructors
- Boards of Teekkari guilds

NOTE! Freshmen serving on boards do not have the authority to award points!

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1. Merits	2. Teekkari culture	3. Association action	4. Guild action	5. Parties	6. Sports
3p – PK1 / PlasSom Pass the course Calculus I or Plastic Design during autumn semester.	3p – Sitsit Take part in a sitsit of some Teekkari guild.	3p – Teekkari cap order Order a Teekkari cap for yourself	3p – Using the freshman cap Use the freshman cap when it is allowed. You'll get one point for each event. Max 3 points.	3p Freshman orienteering Take part in the freshman orienteering organized by OTY.	3p – Snow sculpting competition Active attendance in the sculpting of the snow sculpture of your guild.
2p – 20 ECTS Gather 20 ECTS from the Faculty of Technology or from the Faculty of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering	2p – Jayna Do a jäynä by for example taking part in the jäynä competitions.	2p – Guild active Be a board member or other elected official of your guild or OTY.	2p – Article for the Guild Magazine A handwritten article or drawn illustration for your guild's magazine, OTY's Teksuuttimet or the Wappu magazine Ööpinen.	2p – Cap descension Take part in the Cap descension (Lakinlaskijaiset) on the last day of September.	2p – Freshman sport competitions Take part in the competition organized by OTY.
2p – Freshman singing night Take part in a freshman singing night organized by OTY.	1-2p Singing marathon 1p Take part in the event, 1p take part in the lyrics competition.	2p – OTY meeting Attend from start to finish in a board or association meeting of OTY.	2p – Guilds own Freshman point of your own guild	2p – Picojoule Take part in the pre-Christmas party organized by OTY.	2p – Sled racing Take part in the sled racing at Laskiainen.
1p – Teekkaritraditionseminar Take part in the seminar organized by OTY. Usually on the same day as Teekkari tradition day.	1p – Speksi Watch a speksi or take part in PahkiSpeksi.	1p – Teekkari sticker Use the Teekkari sticker for a discount.	1p – Wappuinfo Take part in Wappuinfo of your own guild.	1p – PikkuWappu Take part in the event. It takes place in December and is been organized by OTiT.	1p – Kyykkä Take part in some official Kyykkä competition in Oulu or in the World Championship in Tampere.
1p – Teekkari overalls Purchase the overalls of your guild and use them.	1p – Singing exam Sing Teekkarihymni, guild song of your guild and a third song of your own choosing (chosen from Laulukalu or Kalunjatke) from foreign memory alone or with a friend(s).	1p – Member of TEK Join to be a member of the union Tekniikan Akateemiset. Membership for students is free.	1p – Freshman info Take part in Freshman info of your own guild. In urgent cases, info from another guild is also acceptable.	1p – Afterski of Laskiainen Take part in the afterski party at Laskiainen organized by Kone.	1p – Jog Participation in the Teekkari jog, which is usually held on Mondays.
1p – Tutoring Participates actively in tutoring sessions (specific requirements are defined by the freshman committee members of their own guild).	1p – Freshman cap Get the freshman cap on the event before the Cap descension.	1p – Gathering event Take part in a gathering event (kähmintäsauna) where guild actives tell about how is it like working in the guild.	1p – Guildroom cleaning Take part in the cleaning of your guildroom twice.	1p – Kaamoksen Kaatajaiset Take part in the event organized by SIK.	1p – OTYmpics Take part in the event organized by OTY.
1p – Correctly assembled pass Assemble your freshman pass correctly and fill in the quest of your own guild (killan oma).	1p – Day of Otto Take part in the activities of day of Otto.	1p – Other society action Take part in the activities of some interest society within OYY.	1p – Board meeting Attend the board meeting of our guild from start to finish.	1p – ValeWappu Take part in the event organized by OPTIEM and YRK.	1p – Ympärihiidot Ski in the event called Ympärihiidot organized by SIK.

7. Connecting	8. Yhteinen hyvä	9. Hippalot
3p – Freshman excursion Take part in the freshman excursion of your guild.	3p – Annual meeting Attend from start to finish in your guild or OTY's annual meeting where they elect the board members and officials for the next year.	3p – Annual celebration Take part as a guest or as an organizer in the annual celebration of some Teekkari association.
2p – Other bussiness visit Visit a business but not in the freshman excursion.	2p Teekkaritalo communal work Take part in the communal work for Teekkaritalo.	2p – Freshman picnic Take part in the freshman picnic organized by OTY.
2p – Guildroom crawl Take part in this event organized by OTiT getting to know the guild rooms of other guilds.	2p Tempaus Take part in a tempaus.	2p – Pre-Christmas party Take part in the pre-Christmas party of your guild.
1p – OTY member night Take part in the member night organized by OTY.	1p PESTI career day Take part organizing the PESTI career day.	1p – Barbaariset Bakkanaalit Take part in this event organized by the Architecture guild.
1p – Internation Affairs Take part in an international event. For example international sitsit or the Teekkari culture info.	1p Abiturient day Take part in organizing the abiturient day.	1p – Appro Take part in the events Makia-appro or Mallas-Appro.
1p – Slumber party Take part in this non-alcoholic event for freshmen.	1p Party organizing Take part in organizing a party for an association. For example sell tickets or be a waiter.	1p – Akateemiset Alkajaiset Take part in this event organized by OPTIEM and YRK.
1p – Home cooking course Take part in the course organized by OTY.	1p Business orientation Take part in a workshop or a seminar which is preparing you for seeking a job.	1p – Un-Teekkari party Take part in a party which is organized other than a Teekkari association.

About being a Teekkari

Even though the behavior of senior student mentors can sometimes seem wild and intense, that doesn't mean Teekkari students have the right to act however they want. This is something every freshman should take to heart.

Being a Teekkari is a special status in itself. Teekkari students are usually seen as those who sing all sorts of unusual songs, engage in Teekkari humor—such as pranks—party hard, and occasionally make some noise. The flip side of this stereotype is that Teekkari students are often portrayed as drinking excessively, singing obscene songs, making a mess, vomiting, engaging in vandalism, and stealing traffic signs. This is obviously not a reputation worth promoting, so freshmen should learn to take responsibility for their own behavior, and if necessary, that of their friends. Especially when in public wearing tassel caps and overalls, you should consider the image you are presenting on behalf of your group. What you do without your “official attire” is basically your own business, as long as you don't claim to be a Teekkari. However, don't tell authorities, for example, that you're a mathematician if it's not true.

Here are some key points to remember:

Respect for the Cap:

There is a Lakkilaki (Cap law) and Lakkiasetus (Cap degree), which every Teekkari must know, and which freshmen should learn. As a freshman, you can practice wearing the cap using your freshman cap. You should also learn the history of the Oulu Teekkari cap, so you can answer questions such as: Why is your cap different from other Teekkari caps? Why are there knots in the tassel cord?

Respect for the Environment:

It is more economical to return empty bottles to the store than to throw them at traffic signs. Individuals running barefoot from the nearest sauna may injure themselves on glass shards. Even preschoolers know that trash goes in the bin, so this should not be too much to expect from a Teekkari—or a freshman.

Knowing Your Limits:

A Teekkari should know their own limits when it comes to alcohol and understand when, if ever, it might be okay to push them. Even after nine long drinks, you don't “own” 60% of the people at the bar, and a dance partner is for dancing—not for leaning on while drunk.

Polite and Respectful Behavior Toward Everyone (and Animals):

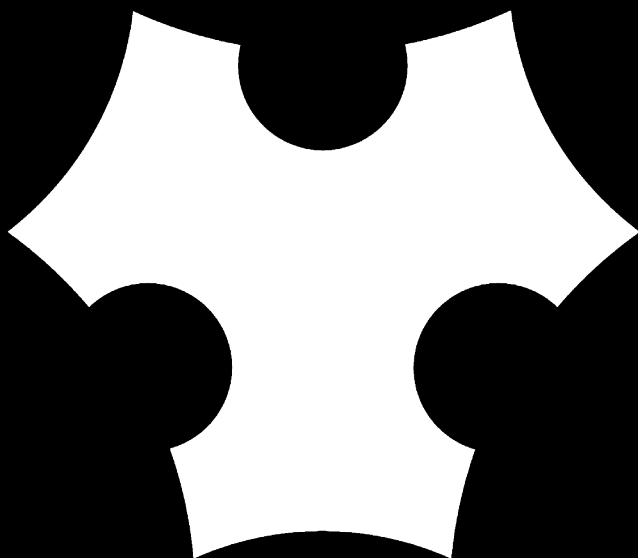
This includes the bouncer who might drag you out by the collar—treat everyone with respect.

Clean Appearance and Clothing:

Occasional showers are always a plus (swimming in Laanaoja does not count as a shower). A fresh scent can even improve your success rate with the opposite sex. If you need to kick your overalls to check if someone is inside, it's probably time for a little tidying up.

Teekkari students have many long-standing and cherished traditions that every Teekkari should know. It's also helpful to understand what senior students mean when they talk about “jäynät” and “tempaukset”. Of course, sauna culture is also part of Teekkari life, although Teekkari students cannot claim to have invented that tradition.





Teekkarihymn

Yö kuin kaamos Pohjoisen on pimiä,
Takajoukko nukkuu vain, nukkuu vain.

Tarhapöllön ääni kimiä,
Kuuluu pappilasta päin, kuuluu päin.

Ja taas ja siis ja
Yks, kaks, kolme, neljä, viis.