

Pre-task: Master's Degree Programme in Rehabilitation

The student selection for this degree programme beginning in autumn 2021 is solely based on a pre-task. The pre-task consists of two parts:

Part 1: Motivation video

Part 2: Written task (essay)

Minimum score for a passed result: 40/100 points.

Application form on Studyinfo.fi:

To be considered in student selection for the programme, you are also required to submit the application form on Studyinfo.fi service during the application period and meet the eligibility requirement for the studies. The supplementary application period is:

- **2 - 5 August 2021** (by 3 pm Finnish time, UTC +3)

Deadline for submitting the pre-task is **Wed 11 August 2021 3 pm** Finnish time (UTC +3).

Please submit a link to the motivation video and the essay document (in word or pdf format) all in one submission to <https://asiointi.xamk.fi/lomakkeet/1219/lomake.html>.

PART 1. MOTIVATION VIDEO.

Record a 2-4 min video for example with your smartphone, where you describe the following things:

1. Tell first briefly, **who you are**: your name, most relevant education and work history.
2. **What motivates you** to apply to this programme, what skills and knowledge do you expect to build during the studies and how does the degree support your professional development, your career plans and your working field or your employer?
3. **Describe your competence as a student** in higher education web-based studies and show your spoken communication competence in English.
4. **Studies on the side of work** are demanding especially regarding the use of time. The required time from the student is about 2400 hours (90 cr, 1,5 - 2,5 yrs). The studies also require you to participate online-lessons for two days approximately once a month. How will you organize that time for the studies and when are you planning to graduate?
5. **Master's Thesis**. The Master's Degree in Rehabilitation requires writing a work-driven development work (i.e. master's thesis). The weight of a master's thesis is 30 credits that is one third of the degree. What kind of master's thesis have you planned to do? What topics could your employer offer?

Annex: Instructions for creating a video and sending it

You can make the video with the device of your choice (e.g. mobile phone, tablet, digital camera or computer). Upload your video on YouTube as **an unlisted video (not public or private)**. See instructions for uploading your video on YouTube and for modifying the privacy settings at <https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/57407?hl=en>.

Ensure that the **video is available for watching until 31 October 2021**. Note! We need to be able to watch the video directly from the link you have provided (without the need of uploading the actual video file).

PART 2. WRITTEN TASK (ESSAY)

Write an essay based on this material: <https://www.who.int/disabilities/care/KeyForHealth21stCentury.pdf?ua=1>.

Use the material as a source for your essay and a stimulator of your thoughts. Choose a limited theme from the material, which you can relate to a work situation or the process of change or development in your work or organization. This allows you to take advantage of your own experience and view them with theoretical knowledge.

Based on the material, write an essay (maximum 2 A4 pages in font size 12, line spacing 1.5).

The essay should address your strengths and challenges as a developer of the work in the field of rehabilitation. Edit the title to fit your text.

General guidelines for writing an essay: An essay is a writing on a self-selected limited topic and is based on written sources. The presentation of the essay is reflective and comparative, and the text should proceed logically. It combines one's own thinking and the literature used as a source. The writer seems to be discussing with the original text. An exhaustive description of the subject is not required. What is essential is to say and personalize the topic, which distinguishes the essay from the abstract.