

# Welcome Letter

## Hello new GD student!

If you're reading this, you have been accepted to the Degree Programme of Game Design. You're here because we want the best, and you are it!

You are about to start your 4-year long quest to become the Game Design master. It is dangerous to go alone and sometimes finding the right castle can be difficult. So here, have some tutors. We are ready to assist you whenever a wild problem appears. We're here to lend you a helping hand, so you can turn to us with any bug you might have. Whether it be about school, knowing your way around the local area, everyday life, a dragon or a portal to another dimension, we will always come to your rescue!

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You are welcome to join the XAMK **GD-family Discord** as well, don't be shy! It's a great place to get to you know future classmates or ask questions from other peers or us tutors. Don't hesitate to join a channel to talk if you see somebody in there!

You can find lots of useful information, friends or just someone to chat with. Initially when you join introduce yourselves in the introductions channel and mention you are a starting student and your group name (you can find this below).

<https://discord.gg/8j5U97C> — Student Discord Link

Your future group name: **XAMK GDKV23KM**

If you are not from around Kouvola and would like someone to show you around the city or the campus please contact any of the tutors.



We can't wait to meet you in January, and remember: the right student at the right place can make all the difference in the world.

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# Greetings from the Tutors

## “Roll with it! “

I am **Antti** (but you can call me **Andy** if that is easier to pronounce). I am a fourth year GD student and I live near the campus so if there's ever help you might need around the school let me know! I'm crazy into 3d modeling and level design which I hope to make my career on.

Outside the school I spill my time between walking, cycling, and reading, a wide assortment of games (RPG's being the favorite) or leading a group of my friends towards their certain doom on Dungeons and Dragons as their (ever so unpredictable) Dungeon Master.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the gateway to your new life, don't hesitate to say hello!



## ” Wake me up when you need me. ”

I'm **Joni Suojanen** and I'm a fourth-year blended studies student. I love Game development and Asset modeling. You can't see me around the campus all the time due to my blended studies, but just call me over or send me a message and I'll be there to help around. I live near the campus and I'm a heavy coffee user.

I enjoy competitive and cooperative puzzle games and participating game jams from time to time. Feel free to join!

Can't wait to show you around! Welcome to the GD family.



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## “My attitude is what makes me special”



I'm **Nina Nylander** and I was born in Thailand and raised in Finland. I used live in Loimaa, which is a small place far far away and moved to Kouvola to study arts. I am fourth year student at GD and I like character designing, games and sleeping. I play on Playstation and PC but nowadays I spent most of my time on PC playing lots of variety games. Like most of the gamers I have a typical problem; having large amount of games in the library and I still feel like I have nothing to play.

I also like coffee. Maybe too much. I usually can be spotted having coffee and headphones.

I'm looking forward to meeting you all. Let's make these years count and live like there is no tomorrow!

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