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General upper secondary education providers
General upper secondary schools

Period of validity from 20 March, 2025 until further notice

Provisions on which the authority to issue the regulation is based:
Sections 12(1), 12(2), 27(5), 31(2), 32(2), 37(5), 39(4) and 40(3) of the Act on General Upper Secondary Education (714/2018)
Sections 13(3) and 24(1) of Student Welfare Act (1287/2013)

REGULATION ON NATIONAL CORE CURRICULUM FOR ENGLISH-LANGUAGE GENERAL UPPER SECONDARY EDUCATION 2025

Finnish National Agency for Education has determined the National core curriculum for general upper secondary education 2025, which is the national core curriculum for English-language general upper secondary education for young people according to the appendix

The national core curriculum for English-language general upper secondary education 2025 corresponds in content to the existing Finnish- and Swedish-language national core curriculum for general upper secondary education 2019 and is an accurate translation of the latter.

The provider of general upper secondary education must, in accordance with Section 12 of the Act on General Upper Secondary Education, adopt a local English-language curriculum based on the national core curriculum for English-language general upper secondary education before applying to the Ministry of Education and Culture for an authorisation to provide English-language education as referred to in Section 3 of the Act on General Upper Secondary Education. English-language general upper secondary education may commence no earlier than 1 August 2026.

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APPENDIX

National core curriculum for general upper secondary education 2025, the national core curriculum for English-language general upper secondary education intended for young people