SEINÄJOKI/SOUTH OSTROBOTHNIA, SEINÄJOKI UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES, SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY AND MASTER DEGREES IN ICT

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Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences

School of Engineering



Seinäjoki

- The heart of Southern Ostrobothnia, which is a province with about 220 000 inhabitants
- The modern town with about 36 000 inhabitants (55000 in year 2009)
- Offers many cultural and outdoor activities:
 Seinäjoki Tango Festival (Tangomarkkinat)
- Famous about its Cultural Centre designed by world-famous architect Mr Alvar Aalto



Seinäjoki

- communications by rail, road and air
- youthful, thanks to the large number of schools and educational institutions
- a town of entrepreneurship and services



More information (www.seinajoki.fi)



Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences

- Run by the federation of the municipalities
- 22 undergraduate programmes and 4 postgraduate programmes (one in English)
- Four (4) faculties in Seinäjoki and four (4) in neighbouring areas
- Over 4600 full time students
- Yearly about 700 graduates
- ECTS credits are in use
- Diploma Supplement is given to all the graduates
- About 20 % of applicants are selected in annually







http://www.frami.fi/

Location of Faculties of Seinäjoki University of Applied

Sciences

School of Agriculture and Forestry, Ilmajoki and Ähtäri School of Engineering, Seinäjoki Business School, Seinäjoki The Finnish School of SME Business Administration, Kauhava School of Food Management, Kauhajoki School of Health Care and Social Work, Seinäjoki School of Culture and Design, Seinäjoki

School of Culture and Design, Seinäjoki & Jurva





SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

- 700+ students
 80+ staff members
- > Operates at four different sites
 - Mechanical Engineering, Information Technology, Business Information Technology, Automation Technology at Frami Building
 - Biotechnology and Food Engineering, Foodwest Building
 - Wood Technology, Construction Engineering, Automotive and **Transportation Engineering**
 - Wood Technology and Construction **Engineering Laboratory**







SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Degree programs

- Automation Technology
- Automotive and Transportation Engineering
- Biotechnology and Food Processing
- Business Information Technology (BBA)
- Construction Engineering
- Information Technology
- Mechanical and Production Engineering
- Wood Technology
- Master degrees:
- Construction Engineering
- Information System Competence

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Information Systems Management, 90 ECTS

- The background of the students is a Bachelor degree either in business or engineering and three years of work life experience in industry
- customized with the individual and SME company backgrounds of each student
- WebEx has been very reliable and easy to use- with normal difficulties of any conferencing system (like Marratech or Adobe Connect)

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Master Degree Programme in Information Systems Competence, 90 ECTS



25 ECTS Information System Competence in SMEs/Organizations (Core Competence)

Development Competence in SMEs/Organizations (Supporting Core Compentence)

10 ECTS Elective studies

25 ECTS

30 ECTS

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Master Thesis

Distributed resourcing with online learning tools in TIJO degree program

- For the TIJO master degree the study groups consist typically of 12-15 students. Half of these students are online, while the other half sits in a classroom in Frami
- For the students WebEx provides the study material (in Moodle or web), whiteboard, chat, and interactive A/V view of the classroom
- Besides the virtual online learning the students are collected to 'in vivo'meetings in Seinäjoki from time to time
- For the present 2nd year students one intensive course in Semantic web was held in FH Wuerzburg - Schweinfurt, Germany by Prof. B. Breutmann during September 2007



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Conclusions

- The student's different backgrounds make the degree both difficult and interesting: difficult to coordinate and design and interesting, as the students have a strong experience in global high technology industry already
- For the multi scientific aspect, also the different groups of students having different courses could be used mutually as CASEs of PBL based study

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http://ttwin.techno.uwasa.fi/bsou_portal/

More conclusions

- For the BSN/BSOU this degree provides an example of conducting shared courses (the teacher could be equally distance based as the students!) online. This should be easier to execute continuously than Intensive Program IPs
- some possible technical approaches of e-learning that would be needed to really benefit from the BSN partnerships in the future prospects of the wider BSN/BSOU/Baltic Sea International Campus BSIC networks



"Mikä ristus ny o, ku ei aharista"...

Next KMO conference in Vaasa 24-25.6.2008 (Vaasa University of Applied Sciences)...

