

OTAVAN OPISTO

FINLAND



NORDIC LEARNING CENTER INNOVATION PARTNERS



PRODUCT

- Online Comprehensive and Online Upper Secondary School,
- Upper Secondary School,
- Preparatory Education for General Upper Secondary Education,
- Comprehensive School Programme for Students with Immigrant Backgrounds,
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- Otava Academy
- and additionally, Otava Folk High School is involved in a number of projects in pedagogy, information and communications technology, and social media with partners from Finland and abroad.

TARGET GROUP

Otava Folk High School (OFHS) has served students from near and far for over 120 years. Folk high schools are learning institutions where anyone can broaden one's horizons, social insights as well as get more confidence in oneself.

ACTIVITIES

OFHS offers high quality basic education and general upper secondary education as both virtual/online studies in our own learning environment and as contact studies at the OFHS campus in Mikkeli. The main audiences of our formal education are immigrants and adults that lack the basic or upper secondary education. The usability of learning platforms and environments is important for OFHS. Folk school studies are designed to meet the needs of our audiences. OFHS thrives to be a part of national and international educational development, curriculum design and implementation, in-service training for teachers and the on-going development of adult and FSL (Finnish as a second language) students' educational services.

PARTNERS

E.g. University of Jyväskylä, University of Tampere, South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences, South Savo Vocational College Esedu and National Agency for Education.

ORGANIZATION

OFHS is a municipal enterprise (operates under the municipality of Mikkeli).

BUDGET

OFHS has several funding channels depending on the products and services we offer. General basic education and upper secondary education is funded by the municipality of Mikkeli. This funding enables OFHS to offer educational services but the development of distance and eLearning solutions, development of our learning environment and interdisciplinary learning are also funded by national development projects. Folk school studies (including both leisure courses and vocational and preparatory courses) are funded partly by government and partly by participants/students themselves. Educational development, in-service training for teachers and curriculum design is funded mainly by Finnish National Agency of Education and European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and the European Social Fund (ESF) as national and international project funds.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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