



# Grants for students of the Indian Institute of Technology BHU Varanasi, interested in international study exchanges to Aalto University, Finland (1 position, Jan.- May 2026)



International study exchanges offer the unique opportunities for long-term visits (4 months) between participants holding the status of Master/PhD student at the Indian Institute of Technology BHU Varanasi (India) and Aalto University (Finland). Participants can gain new technical qualifications in an international environment, while improving their language skills. This funding can also be used to initiate research collaboration, obtain Master/PhD thesis advising, and receive educational training on topics related the use of digital technologies during natural disasters. This call takes place under “*Information, communications & data processing technologies for response management in case of natural disasters*” (ICT4AID) project, funded by TFK program of the Finnish National Agency for Education.

## What do we offer to the selected candidates?

- Monthly grant (900 €/month for 4 months) and financial support to cover the airplane ticket costs. Grant will be paid at the beginning of the study exchange period in Finland.
- Guidance in finding accommodation in mobility destination and support to obtain the documentation needed to apply for a study-exchange visa. All these travel-related costs must be covered with the exchange grant that the student will receive.

## Requirements to apply for the exchange grant:

- Applicants must be enrolled as student at Indian Institute of Technology BHU Varanasi and maintain their enrollment status for the full duration of their exchange period.
- For study exchanges (min. 4 months), applicants must prove a min. B1 level of English (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages). Paper certificate or oral interview with evaluation committee can be used for this.
- If selected, exchange students are expected to maintain the equivalent of a full course load at the host Institution during the whole 4-month visit.

## How to apply?

- **Transfer of credits.** Consult with the academic services of your Indian Institute of Technology their internal procedures for recognition of credits during exchange studies or Master Thesis work.
- **Study and/or research plan.** For study exchanges, prepare your study plan using as reference the courses available in the host institution in the Spring semester (Jan.-May 2026). Further information: <https://www.aalto.fi/en/international-students/studies-in-the-school-of-electrical-engineering-for-exchange-students>
- **Motivation letter.** Prepare a motivation letter in English explaining your background and specifying the outcomes that you aim to achieve after your staying in Finland. Elaborate your answers for half a page, max. 1 page (about 2000 characters with spaces)
- **Personal information and attachments.** Submit the study/research plan for the exchange, motivation letter, transcript of records, and “optional” proof of proficiency in English using the link below before the deadline (Fri. 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug. 2025).  
<https://forms.gle/YSS7VKS2mTw7dUcJA>

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