



Guide for the conference

Quantitative methods in the digital turn: Promises and pitfalls

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Conference location

The conference takes place at:

LUT University, Lappeenranta Campus

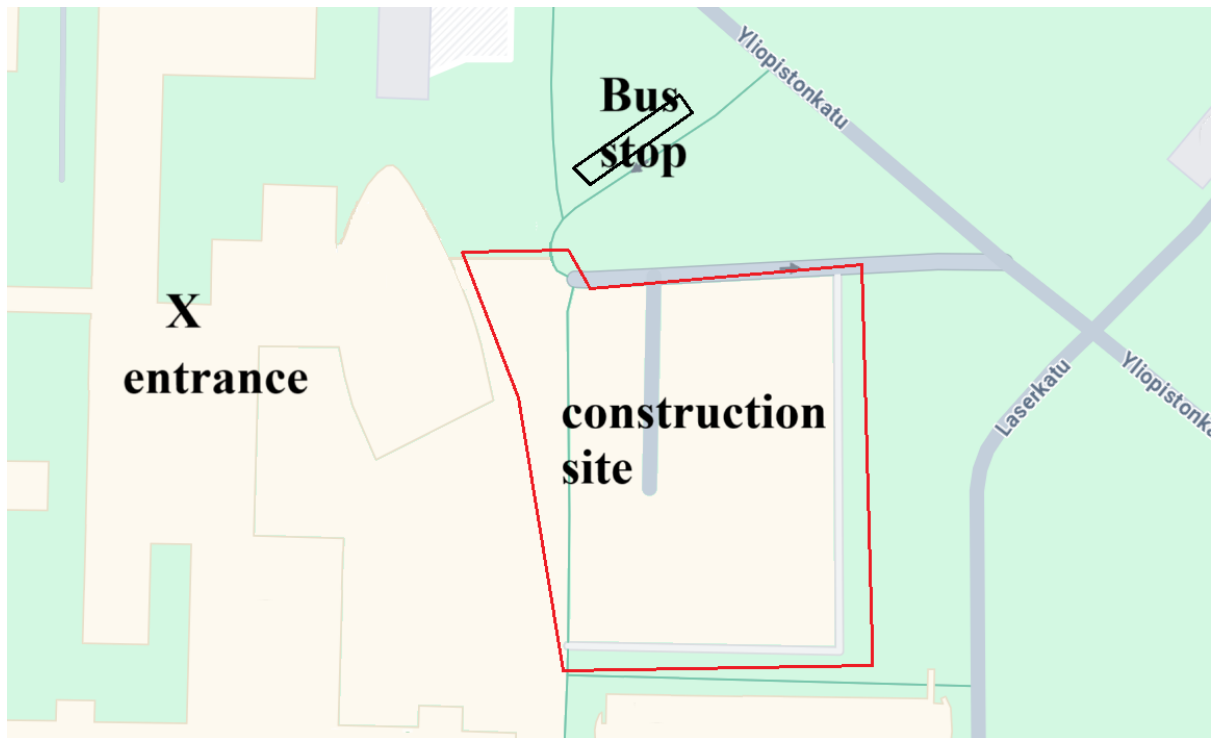
Yliopistonkatu 34, 53850 Lappeenranta, Finland

How to get to the campus

Buses number 1 and 5 serve the campus. Bus number 1 goes via the city center, bus number 5 from the train station via the city center. The easiest and most reliable way to buy a bus ticket on the bus is with cash. A one-way ticket costs 3,60€. The buses run between 6 am and 11 pm. For the exact schedule, see <https://lappeenranta.digitransit.fi/>

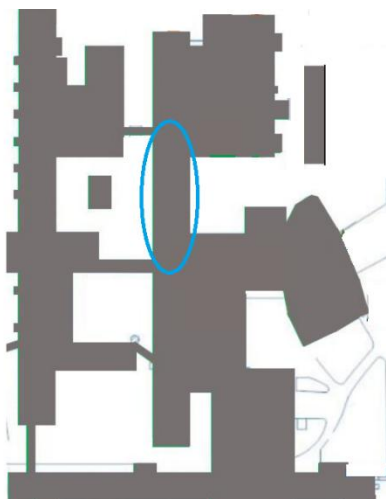
What the campus looks like

The bus stops right in front of the university main building. We currently have construction work on campus. As a result, the main entrance is currently not in use. You can access the building via the side-entrance, which is in the inner courtyard.

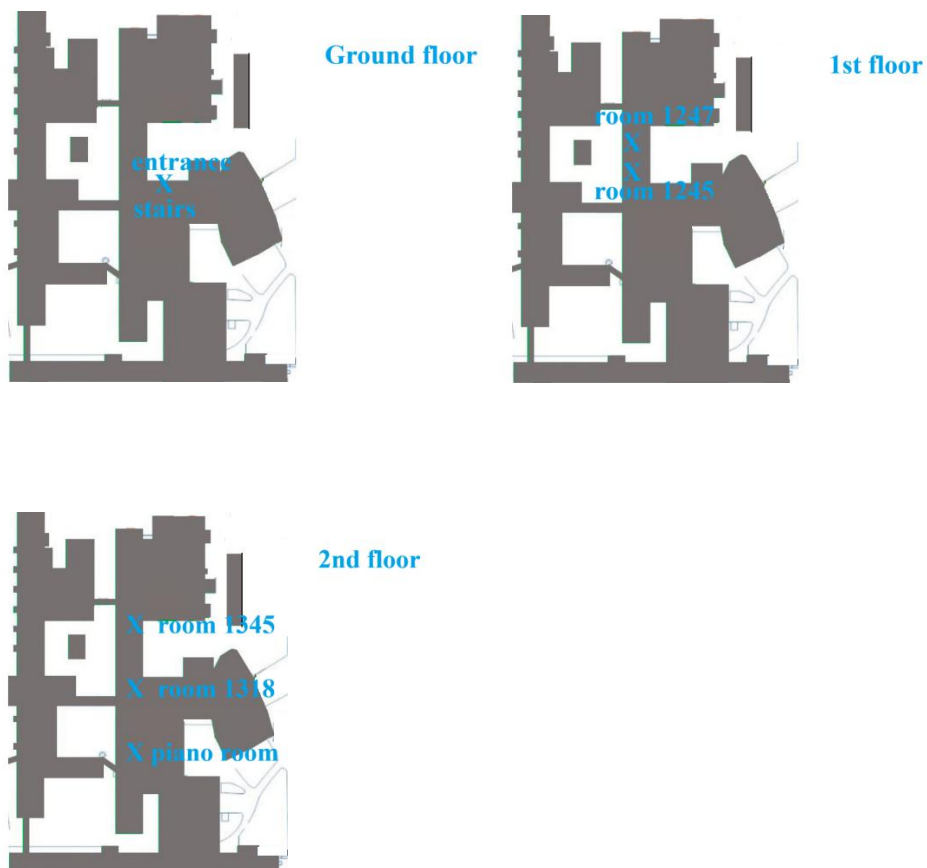


All rooms that we use for the conference are close to one another.

All are in the part of the building encircled with blue:



On the ground floor you get into the building, rooms 1245 and 1247 are on the 1st floor, and rooms 1318, 1345 and the piano room are on the 2nd floor.



If you would like to help in finding your way around the campus, have a look at this video. It shows the way to the conference rooms: <https://www.youtube.com/shorts/oCLePs2e67E>

Sessions

Length of your presentation

The length of your presentation depends on the length of your session and the number of speakers. The table below shows the numbers:

Length of session	Number of speakers	Length of your presentation
60 minutes	4 speakers	12 minutes presentation, 3 minutes Q&A
90 minutes	6 speakers	12 minutes presentation, 3 minutes Q&A
90 minutes	5 speakers	14 minutes presentation, 4 minutes Q&A

Before your presentation

Please try to be in your session room about 10 minutes before the session starts. Participants in Lappeenranta can use this time to put their presentations on the LUT laptop that is in the

room. Online participants can use this time to signal their presence to the session chair and to do a technical check.

Programme

The conference programme is on the conference homepage: <https://www.lut.fi/en/RN21-conference/programme> The links to the livestream will be sent to all conference participants 1-3 days before the conference.

Registration

The registration is at the university entrance. It is open on Monday from 8:30 to 14:30. If you arrive at a later point, just join the sessions and look for someone with a pink name tag. Those are the people from the organizing committee at LUT University. They can set you up and answer all your questions.

Social programme

The pub crawl

The pub crawl starts in the Tuju Taproom, Soittokunnanraitti 3, 53900 Lappeenranta <https://www.panimotuju.fi/> . They also have food. The Lappeenrantanians commonly think that this place has the best pizza in the whole. We go to this place together, by bus. We leave from room 1318 at 16:00. If you want to join us later, you're welcome to do so. If you get lost on the way there, call Nabaraj Adhikari +358 50 595 3295 or Visa Rantanen +358 50 470 9622.

The sauna event

Going to the sauna is probably one of the most common leisure activities in Finland. We will go to the sauna owned by our very own LUT University. It is close to the campus, by the lake, in the forest. There, you can go to the sauna, go swimming in the lake, eat some nice food, socialize, and enjoy the afternoon by the lake. If you would like to go to the sauna and/or swimming in the lake, then you might want to bring a swimsuit and/or towel with you. We have some towels in the sauna. The address is Skinnarilankatu 35, 53850 Lappeenranta. We walk there together from room 1318 should be easy enough. We put up signs along the way, Google map knows the location, and we also made a video about how to get there:

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/82EhJ3I95j4> If you get lost on the way, please call Nisha Yadav +358 50 414 2270 or Kathrin Komp-Leukkunen +358 50 327 0744.

Food

There are two food places at LUT, very close to the conference rooms: a lunch place is on the 1st floor, a café on the 2nd floor. The lunch place has already been informed about all those food allergies that you mentioned when you registered. Your lunch is not included in the registration fee.

Everyday issues

Some possibly useful phrases in Finnish

English	Finnish	Pronunciation (with English words)
Hello!	Moi	[moy]
Bye bye	Moikka	[moy-ka]
Thank you!	Kiitos!	[key-toss]
Sorry	Anteeksi	[aahn-tayck-see]
University	Yliopisto	[ew-lee-oh-pis-toe]
I don't understand	En ymmärrä	[ehn-ummar-ra]

The local hospital

Valto Käkelän katu 1, 53130 Lappeenranta

Urgent matters, 24/7: Tel. 116 117 or general emergency number 112

Police

Local police station: Villimiehenkatu 2 C, 53100 Lappeenranta

Lost & Found: Tel. +358 295 437 030

Urgent matters: Tel. 112

Who is organizing all this?

The Research Network on Quantitative Methods

This conference is the mid-term conference of the Research Network on Quantitative Methods (RN21 of the European Sociological Association). Our self-description is: "We are a research network of European scholars specialized in quantitative research methods. We

develop, critically evaluate, and use these methods in sociological research. We are committed to offering an analytical perspective on sociology, where our theoretical arguments are strictly evaluated by empirical research. We promote the use of all quantitative methods, including survey research, experimental methods, causal inference, simulation, statistical techniques, comparative methods. As part of the European Sociological Association, we focus especially on cross-national collaboration and comparative research.”

If you would like to know more, have a look at our homepage: <https://esa-quantitative-methods.org/>

The local organizing committee

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