

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## Education

1980–1990	University of Helsinki	Language Skills:	
Degree	Master of Arts Finnish language (major); Finnish literature (minor) Studies in education required of subject teacher	Finnish	Native speaker
		English	Fluent
		Swedish	Working skill
		French	Basic
		Russian	Basic

## Special Training

2008	International Baccalaureate Organization; Language B, Diploma Programme	1994	University of Tampere; What's new in Language Teaching; elaboration and scheme theory.
2006–2007	Students with Special Needs Training, National Centre for Professional Development in Education	1993	Suggestopedagogical Course in French language.
2002	International Baccalaureate Organization; Language B, Diploma Programme	1992–1993	Vocational Adult Education Centre Helsinki; Finnish as a second language.
1996–1998	University of Jyväskylä; PD-training programme; Internationalizing work, the aim is to deepen the participants' awareness on international and intercultural issues and develop the knowledge and skills required in international interaction.	1992	University of Tampere; Suggestopedagogy; basic and extension courses.
		1992	Helsinki Summer University; Total Physical Response and the Natural Approach to the joy of language acquisition.
		1983	University of California Los Angeles; Journalism

## Employment (Permanent)

2012–2024	Aalto University Language Centre; University Teacher of Finnish language. Finnish language coordinator & developer of the online learning courses		Finnish as a second language and culture, tutor of teacher trainees, development of multimedia course "Tervetuloa Suomeen", and organizing Finnish language courses for European trainees arriving in Finland.
2018–2019	University of Minnesota, USA; Visiting Lecturer of Finnish language and culture.	1989–1991	Peoples College of Kerava; teacher of Finnish as a second language.
2009–2012	University of Washington, USA; Visiting Lecturer of Finnish language and literature.	1989–1990	Vocational Adult Education Centre of Järvenpää; teacher of Finnish as a second language.
2002–2009	Tikkurilan lukio (Tikkurila Upper Secondary School); IB-teacher of Finnish as a second language, and mother tongue.	1988–1989	Vocational Adult Education Centre of Riihimäki; teacher of Finnish as a second language.
1998–2000	Indiana University Bloomington, USA; Visiting Lecturer of Finnish language and literature.	1987–1988	Electric Data Processing Institute;
1989–1999	Amiedu, Vocational Adult Education Center, International Training; teacher of teacher of communication		

## Employment (Short-term)

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2001–2002	Helsinki International School; teacher of Finnish as a second language, and mother tongue.	1993	Ministry of Education, Council for Instruction of Finnish for foreigners; course director and lecturer.
2000–2001	Tampere University Language Centre; Teacher training programme design and implementation.	1992–1993	University of Helsinki, Vantaa Institute for Continuing Education; tutor of teacher trainees of Finnish as a second language.
2000–2001	Helsinki University Language Centre; teacher of Finnish as a second language.	1986–1987	Pop & Jazz Conservatory; teacher of Finnish and literature.
1995	Helsinki Summer University; teacher of Finnish as a second language.	1986	Translingva Oy; teacher of Finnish as a second language.
1993–1994	European Commission Representation in Finland; teacher of Finnish as a second language.	1985–1986	Finnchurchaid; teacher of Finnish as a second language.

## Publications

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Aija Elg, Noora Helkiö, Sanna Rämö, Elisa Räsänen “Vuorotellen 1” intermediate Finnish language course book for university students. Otava. (will be published April -25).

Finland Studies MOOC

The purpose of the Finland Studies open online course is to offer a starting point for learning about studying at Finnish universities.

<https://openlearning.aalto.fi/course/view.php?id=255>

Finnish online grammar

<https://openlearning.aalto.fi/course/view.php?id=158>

Introductory Finnish Self-study -online course

<https://openlearning.aalto.fi/course/view.php?id=59>

Aija Elg (2006). “Suomen kielen ja kulttuurin lähde” Finnish language and culture course book for upper secondary schools.

Edita, ISBN: 951-37-4537-6, Finland

Aija Elg (editor) (2005). Curriculum for Upper Secondary Education in City Vantaa and Tikkurila Upper Secondary School, City of Vantaa, Finland

Aija Elg (2000). “Distance Learning at Indiana University” in proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> International Workshop for ODL Materials – Production and Delivery, Universidad Politecnica de Valencia, Valencia, Spain, July.

Aija Elg (2000). “Use of ICT in Teaching Finnish Language at Indiana University” SASS 2000: The 90th Annual Meeting of The Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study, University of Wisconsin-Madison, U.S.A.

Koskinen, Lacruz, Martinez, Monforte & Montesinos (1999). “The Great Paella Cookbook for Online Learning”. Helsinki University of Technology and Universidad Politecnica de Valencia. Translated by Aija Elg.

Asunmaa, Elg, Kiri, Kytö, Mattila, Pylvänäinen (1991). Guidelines for Development of Curricula for Adult Immigrant Learners. The National Board of Vocational Education, Finland