Facts and myths about TEACHER EDUCATION and teachers’ professional learning in Finland

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PISA Myths ISTP ITPS ITER
No, Finland isn’t ditching traditional school subjects. Here’s what’s really happening.

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NO homework!
The best and the brightest to teach

“We need to attract the best and brightest to join the profession. Teachers are the key in today’s knowledge economy, where a good education is an essential foundation for every child’s future success.”

- Andreas Schleicher OECD Director of Education and Skills
Applicants to Primary School Teacher Education Programs in Finland, 2001-2014

- Total applicants
- Accepted
Achievement Profile of Accepted Primary School Teacher Education Students in the University of Helsinki in 2014

- 2300 students achieve scores between 1-10 in Matriculation Examination.
- 120 students achieve the highest score of 81-100.

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Students total score points in Matriculation Examination
Teacher Education Ecosystem
Research-based degree

Teacher training school

Academic department

Faculty inter-linkages
To teach, or not to teach?
Quality control at entry
Competitive academic degree
Professional autonomy
High employment rate
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