

Riitta Jyrhämä's Curriculum Vitae

(Short public version)

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Education and degrees awarded

- 2004 Title of docent: Science of Education, University of Helsinki (Adj. Prof.)
- 2002 Ph.D., Science of Education, University of Helsinki
- 2001 Licentiate in Education, University of Helsinki
- 1980 MA (Master of Arts), Education, University of Helsinki
- 1976 Elementary School Teacher (Class Teacher), University of Helsinki (Pedagogical competence)
- 1976 BA (Barchelor of Arts), Education, University of Helsinki
- 1973 Matriculation examination

Other education and training, qualifications and skills

- Special education 30 ECTS, 12.3.1977
- Media education (ICT in a teacher's work), 30 ECTS, 10.11.1997
- *Teaching and learning in virtual university*, OPE.FI II -education, 10 ECTS, University of Helsinki, 27.9.2000–9.2.2001.
- The challenges of thesis supervision, 5 ECTS, 2008, Faculty of Behavioural Sciences (nowadays as a trainer)
- Courses, e.g. Supervising teaching practice, further education for teacher educators, Computer skills etc.

Linguistic skills

- Mother tongue: Finnish
- Other languages English, Swedish, German

(Matriculation examination grades and other exams: English I, pro excercitio 29.4.1974 – Swedish m, Ability to use Swedish well oral and written [Ruotsin kielen hyvä suullinen ja kirjallinen taito, Statens språkexamensnämd] 17.10.1980, Ability to understand Swedish fluently [Ruotsin kielen erinomainen ymmärtämisen taito, Helsingin yliopiston konsistorin 6.10.1937 vahvistaman ohjesäännön 8 §:n mukainen koe] (Lars Huldén) 18.3.1981 – German I, pro excercitio 31.5.1973

Current positions

- 2012– Vice Head of the Department of Teacher Education (Director of Academic Affairs)
- 2001– University lecturer, Dep. of Teacher Education

- 2012

 Responsible of the science of education in the Dep. of TE
- 2004– Title of docent (Adj. Professor) (Education)
- 2009– Principal Investigator
- 2013– Fellow of Teachers' Academy (The founding member; The University of Helsinki Teachers' Academy is a network of distinguished university teachers)
- 2007 Director of Interplay Connecting Academic Teacher Education and Work -research project

Previous work experience

- 1994–2001 Research Assistant, Dep. of Teacher Education, University of Helsinki
- 1983–1993 Senior Lecturer in Educational Theory (Didactics), Dep. of Teacher Education, University of Helsinki
- 1983 Senior Lecturer in subject didactics, Dep. Of Teacher Education, University of Helsinki
- 1980–1983 Lecturer in the University Teacher Training School, The Second Teacher Training School, University of Helsinki
- 1976–1980 Elementary School Teacher, City of Helsinki
- On maternity leave 1986–87, 1988–89, 1994–95

Research funding as well as leadership and supervision

- Research funding for the Interplay-project, totally 3.500 € (Fac. of Education)
- Teachers' Academy funding 20.000 € (personal) and 30.000 € (for the department), Univ. of Helsinki
- Director of Interplay Connecting Academic Teacher Education and Work -research project Supervised doctoral dissertations
- Lic.Ed. **Seija Blomberg**, 'Noviisiopettajana peruskoulussa' [A Novice teacher in Comprehensive School. Beginning teachers' authentic experiences of the first year at school], dissertation 22.8.2008 (main supervisor)
- MA Katriina Maaranen, 'Widening Perspectives of Teacher Education. Studies on theorypractice relationship, reflection, research and professional development' (secondary supervisor), 8.9.2009
- MA Mari Helin 'Opettajien ammatillisen kehittymisen jatkumo yliopiston ja koulujen kumppanuus' [Teachers' Professional Development as a Continuum – Educational Parnership Between the University and Schools], 9.5.2014 (main supervisor)
- Doctoral students: Anne Koskeno, Sanna Vahtivuori, Outi Hakola
- Other experience as officially appointed supervisor see below!

Merits in teaching and pedagogical competence

- Pedagogical competence (Elementary School Teacher 1976 degree includes pedagogical studies 60 ECTS which give qualification for acting as a teacher in all levels from pre-school to university)
- As a vice head (academic affairs) and a chair of Department of TE teaching committee I am responsible of curriculum planning and it's implementation in our department and also in the faculty (as a member of Faculty's teaching committee). Continuing development of own teaching too.

- Supervision of theses: Main supervisor of 62 Master's thesis since 2004 (co-supervisor about 90 thesis)
- Besides supervising and co-supervising the 62+90 theses mentioned above I have been a coexaminer of several dozens of theses. I have evaluated over 380 pro-seminar papers and Barchelor's theses, several hundreds of different seminar papers and more than a thousand essays.
- I am an active educator and expert lecturer in my field both within university faculties and in different educational units. As the *developer of teaching practice* I am considerably experienced, and the latest alternative of the research program in this area, is the *research practicum*. It combines the master's practicum of class teacher education and work for progradu thesis. I have acted as the *chair of the committee of teaching practice development* several times during the years as well as a *member of the teaching plan committee*. As the vice head of the department of teacher education I have been responsible for the development of academic affairs.

Awards, prizes and honours

- Fellow of the Teachers' Academy, 2013– (A founding member)
- Certificate of honour, Finnish Parents' League 2.9.2011
- Eino Kaila Teaching Award, 25.3.2011
- Golden Medal of the Federation of Finnish Learned Society and Finnish Universities UNIFI, University of Helsinki, 2013
- Knight of the Order of the White Rose of Finland by the President of the Republic of Finland, 6.12.2009

Other academic merits

Opponent of dissertation (3)

- KM **Sirpa Perunka**, "Tässä on hyvä syy ammatillisesti keskustella". Ohjaavien opettajien käsityksiä opetusharjoittelun ohjauksesta ammatillisessa opettajankoulutuksessa, 2015 University of Lapland.
- MA **Ismo Aho**, "Mikä tekee opettajasta selviytyjän?" [What makes a teacher a survivor?], 2011, University of Tampere
- TtL Liisa Suhonen, 'Ammattikorkeakoulun lehtoreiden käsityksiä tutkivasta ja kehittävästä työotteesta' [Professional teachers' conceptions about "research and developmental-minded" approach to working], 2008, University of Joensuu.

Pre-examiner of a doctoral dissertation (7)

- MA Anssi-Pekka Udd, [The constructivist orientation of pedagogy as experienced by students of teacher education], 2010
- MA Ismo Aho, [What makes a teacher a survivor?], 2010, University of Tampere; LiTL
- KM **Sanna Palomäki**, [The professional development of pre-service teachers in Finnish physical education teacher education], 2009, University of Jyväskylä
- MA Ismo Aho, [What makes a teacher a survivor?], 2009, University of Tampere.

- TtL Liisa Suhonen, 'Ammattikorkeakoulun lehtoreiden käsityksiä tutkivasta ja kehittävästä työotteesta' [Professional teachers' conceptions about "research and developmental-minded" approach to working, 2008, University of Joensuu.
- Lic. Ed. **Säde-Pirkko Nissilä**, 'Dynamic Dialogue. Towards Transformation in Vocational Teacher Education', 2006, University of Tampere.
- KM **Sirpa Perunka**. 'Ohjaavien opettajien käsitykset opetusharjoittelun ohjauksesta: Tutkimus Oulun ammatillisessa opettajakorkeakoulussa', 2015, University of Lapland.

Licentiate dissertation evaluation (2)

- MA **Saima Palviainen**, [Appearance of changes in life and crises in learning and behaviour as well as strategies to cope in the life of fourth graders], 2006, University of Joensuu.
- MA **Marjaana Leivo**, [View of the horizon widens. Significant learning experiences of primary school teacher students in special education practicum], 2006, University of Jyväskylä.

Evaluation of academic/scientific or artistic competence (e.g. title of docent)

KT Pasi Sahlberg, 2002; KT Tapio Kosunen, 2003, FT Pille Valg, 2004.

As a member of doctoral dissertation evaluation board

• KM Heli Sahlstedt 2015 "Pedagogisesti yhtenäinen peruskoulu – Tapaustutkimus opettajien, oppilaiden ja huoltajien näkemyksistä" * KM Kaisu Toivonen 2014. Persoonan eettinen kasvu ja kasvatus jälkimodernissa ajassa suomalaisen kasvatusjärjestelmän kautta
tulkittuna. * MA Erja Vitikka [Structuring of the Curriculum Design: Content and Pedagogy Constructing the Whole], 2009., * MA Eila Kunnari [Towards the outer border. A
description of high school working practices from the point of view of guidance and leadership], 2008, * MA Marja Spoof [Deeper than the surface: ethical consideration as a resource for the class teacher and the special teacher], 2007.

Memberships and positions of trust in scientific and scholarly societies

- Member of American Educational Research Association (AERA)
- Member of Finnish Society of Educational Research (FERA)

Membership in national or international expert groups, evaluation or steering committees, as well as other expert duties

- Member of scientific committee and organizing committee of the FERA Conference in Helsinki (2012)
- Member of the Scientific Committee and Organizing Committee of the ISATT 2009
 Conference (International Study Association for Teachers and Teaching) Navigating in Educational Contexts: Identities and Cultures in Dialogue 2007–2009
- Member of VOKKE-project work group (The national development program for teacher education)
- Member of the Scientific Committee of the IASK (International Association for the Scientific Knowledge) Conference Teaching and Learning 2008, Achieving Excellence and Quality in Education 2007–2008

Expert evaluator positions

 Evaluation of teaching practice models submitted to Eduko Archimedes, Estonia, Eduko competition: "Innovative teaching practice models in initial teacher training", 4.–13.8.2013 • Member of several groups in recruiting processes

Referee for scientific and scholarly journals

- Member of three Scientific Committees of international Conferences.
- Scandinavian Journal of Educational Research * Traditions and Innovations in Education (Peter Lang) * Navigating in Educational Contexts (Sense) * Kasvatus * Liikunta ja tiede * Tutkimus-, kokeilu- ja kehittämistoiminta harjoittelukouluissa. (Suomen harjoittelukoulujen julkaisu 2014) and many other books.
- Congress papers IASK, ISATT etc.

Administrative responsibilities at higher education institutions or at research organisations, responsibilities in the higher education community

- Vice Head of Dep. of TE, University of Helsinki (2012–)
- Head of Class teacher program (2010–2011)
- Project leader of Osaava Verme peer group mentoring education in University of Helsinki,
 2011–
- Deputy Head of Class Teacher Program (2008–10, 2004–06, 1990–92, 1.8.2013–31.12.2013)
- Vice member of the departmental steering group (2007)
- Member of the board of Adjunct Professors' Association (2006–2010)
- Member of the Teaching Committee in the Faculty (2004–06, 2010)
- Chair of the Teaching Practice Development Committee (2004–06, 1993)
- Member of advisory board for teacher education (1993-95)
- Secretary of advisory board of teacher education (1984–93)
- Chair of the Curriculum Development Committee (1992–93)
- Faculty Member of Faculty Council (198586)

Invited keynote lectures abroad

- University of Twente, Edith Stein, Saxion (TSE), 26.-28.1.2011, key note
- Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Germany in May 7–11, 2007, guest lecturer, key note.

Scientific and societal impact of research

- Totally 132 publications incl. abstracts (55). (see TUHAT database). Main research areas: teacher education, teaching practice supervision, teachers' pedagogical thinking
- Institutional Approaches to Teacher Education [within higher education] in the Europe Region: Current Models and New Developments. Planning Meeting for National Case Studies, Vienna, 1-4 March 2001. UNESCO, Cepes. Issues: the political resolutions in education in different countries for carrying out teacher education and training.
- University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Education, Slovenia, Teacher Exchange, 13.–18.2007
- During the last 20 years many conference presentations, symposia in educational conferences AERA, ECER, ISATT, FERA etc.
- Many of publications are in the Curriculum of Dep. of TE
- Many invited lectures in other Finnish Universities, in Business World and in the Board of Education and in schools, also interviews in Media

Positions of trust in society and other societal merits

- A chair of national steering group of VAKAVA (a national selection cooperation network in the field of education) 2012—
- Member of the Board and Executive of Helsingin Suomalainen Yhteiskoulu 2011–2014
- Member of the Board of Adjunct Professors Association in the University of Helsinki, 2006– 2010
- Member of the Board of Parents' Association of *Helsingin Suomalainen Yhteiskoulu* 2002–2007, deputy chairman 2003–2007, auditor 2007–
- Trustee, Helsinki University Research Workers, registered association, AKAVA-JS, 1998–2003
- Member of the School Council of Viikki teacher training school of Helsinki University 2001– 2004
- Deputy member of II Normal school of Helsinki University 1997–2001
- Helsinki City Board of Education, Chairman of School Council of Konala comprehensive school 1997–2000

Other merits

- Lecturer in Open University 2007-
- Regional defense course by County Administrative Board (Regional State Administrative Agencies), 13.–17.10.2008 and further internal security courses during years
- Lecturer of didactics and group leader in Helsinki Open University, 2007–
- Seminar teacher in specialized studies of elementary teaching, in Helsinki Open University, 1997–1998, total 80 h
- Part-time teacher of didactics in the Summer University of Helsinki Region, and the Seminar of specialized studies of elementary teaching, 1992–1996, total 284 h
- Supervisor of several hundreds of seminar papers of elementary teaching, specialized studies, 1992–1998 (The Summer University of Helsinki Region and Helsinki Open University).
- University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Education, Slovenia, Teacher Exchange May 13–18, 2007.
- Study trips to many countries during years.