

ThisisFINLAND's Foreign Correspondents' Programme June 7 to 13, 2020

Who is eligible?

This year's Foreign Correspondents' Programme is definitely for you if you are:

1. An aspiring journalist (recent graduate or soon to graduate) with some work experience in a media company (broadcast, print, or online), or a social media influencer, for example an accomplished blogger or vlogger;
2. A citizen or permanent resident of one of the following countries: Argentina, Australia, Chile, Ethiopia, Tanzania, Angola, Tunisia, Israel, Belarus, Uzbekistan, Turkey, Hungary, Poland and the UK;
3. Able to work and communicate fluently in English;
4. Interested in learning new things, meeting people from different cultures, and spending a week in a foreign country;
5. Excited about becoming a lifelong friend of Finland!

How to apply?

All application documents should be written in English. They include:

- Attached application form
- Curriculum vitae, including photo
- A work sample, or an essay (600–800 words), or a link to a short video (2–3 minutes) emphasising your interest in Finland.

All application materials should be sent by email to the relevant Finnish Embassy or Consulate (see their contact details below). Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

The closing date for applications is March 19, 2020 at 11.59 pm local time.

What is the selection process?

A total of 14 representatives will be selected. The Finnish embassies in each country will make the selections in cooperation with the Communications Department of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland.

Those selected will be contacted by April 19, 2020 with information regarding travel arrangements.

What does the programme include?

The 2020 Foreign Correspondents' Programme starts on June 7 and ends on June 13. This year it focuses on climate diplomacy and Finnish solutions for reaching carbon neutrality by 2035, and on Finland's foreign policy, which builds upon and promotes multilateralism, rules-based international order, human rights, and equality. You will have the chance to meet Finnish influencers and professionals, visit a media company, and visit businesses, institutions and cultural sites.

The relatively short duration of this year's programme places certain limitations on it. Therefore, we reserve the right to make changes as necessary.

If the participant wishes to add extra days at the beginning or end of the programme, it is very possible, but unfortunately, accommodation for those days is at her/his own expense.

What costs are covered?

The programme covers travel costs to and from Finland, local travel in Helsinki, accommodation, and the daily programme, including transportation and some meals. The programme does not cover medical insurance, per diem allowance, or meals not listed in the programme.

More info?

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You may also contact the Embassies:

[Argentina](#), [Australia](#), [Chile](#), [Ethiopia](#), [Tanzania](#), [Angola](#) (Embassy of Finland in Namibia), [Tunisia](#), [Israel](#), [Belarus](#), [Uzbekistan](#) (email: ITA-21@formin.fi), [Turkey](#), [Hungary](#), [Poland](#) and [the UK](#)