The changing role of teachers and trainers developing and implementing modular curricula

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National Vocational Qualifications

- There are up to 160 different vocational qualifications available in Finland
- Vocational qualifications are developed in close cooperation with working life (workers and employers), teachers and students
- Working life assures the quality of skills: a representative of working life is one of the two assessors in addition to teachers
National Vocational qualifications

• The vocational modules are either compulsory or optional
• Compulsory modules guarantee that all persons holding a qualification have the core vocational competence
• Optionality helps in meeting the different competence needs in working life
• Optionality also serves individuals, enabling them to make choices according to their individual needs and to build flexible study pathways
Vocational Qualification in Restaurant and Catering Services / Vocational modules

- **Compulsory module**
  - Working in catering services
    - Customer service and sales
    - Serving plated dishes and beverages

- **Waiter/waitress**
  - Preparing lunch dishes
  - Preparing plate dishes

- **Cook**
  - Preparing lunch dishes
  - Preparing plate dishes

- **Optional modules**
  - Serving and serving beverages
  - Café services
  - Food preparation for catering services

- **Optional modules**
  - Serving à la carte dishes
  - Ship catering services
  - Productising catering services

Composition of the qualification:
https://eperusteet.opintopolku.fi/#/en/esitys/4221360/reformi/rakenne

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Teachers’ work is more diverse

- Guiding and coaching are emphasized in teachers’ work - building well-functioning and individual study paths for students together and in cooperation with the working and business life
- Work is carried out in various learning environments, especially at workplaces, but also in simulators or during international learning mobility
- Teachers will go even more than before to workplaces to provide guidance
- Shared expertise, more cooperation and development focus
More information

The VET reform (also some materials in English)
minedu.fi/amisreformi

Education and qualifications in general
www.minedu.fi
Ministry of Education and Culture
information in Finnish, Swedish and English

www.oph.fi
Finnish National Agency for Education
information in Finnish, Swedish and English
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