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**VIA University  
College**

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# Welcome to VIA

One of Denmark's largest and most international university of applied sciences



## INTRODUCTION

## WELCOME TO VIA

**About us**

VIA University College is one of Denmark's largest institutions of higher education. We offer bachelor degrees in Danish and English, master degrees in collaboration with partners, double degrees and vocational training as well as continuing education.

We educate students for public and private professions. Our candidates help develop professional practice and find solutions to the challenges facing society.

Denmark is a small country and to engage and connect with the world around us is essential to educational institutions.

**Our international activities include**

- Summer schools
- Student and staff mobility at all levels
- Research and development
- Export of know-how and educational consultancy in eldercare, preschool and elementary school education
- Bachelor degrees, double degrees and joint master degrees with partners, top-up and diploma programmes
- Offices in China and Romania

**VIA in numbers**

- 8 campuses in the Central Denmark Region
- 4 faculties and schools
- 19,000 full-time students
- 3,000 international students
- 2,500 faculty and staff
- 42 degree programmes
- 17 programmes taught in English
- 7 student innovation centres

## PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES

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# Programmes and Activities

### Semester programmes

Each semester we offer exchange students selected bachelor courses taught in English. Our exchange programmes focus on health sciences, education and social studies, engineering, technology, business and creative industries.

### Summer School

VIA Summer School offers courses within health sciences, teaching, pedagogy, engineering, construction and creative industries. We welcome Danish and international full-time students, exchange students and other qualified students or professionals from Denmark and abroad.

### Full degree

We offer a range of internationally acknowledged bachelor's degree programmes in engineering, design, construction, business and health sciences. Students learn from dedicated professors, work on projects with Danish and international companies, and exchange ideas with students from around the world.

### Tailor-made courses

VIA is a preferred partner for continuing education - with more than 20,000 annual participants. We offer tailor-made courses of varying lengths to meet the needs of our partners. For international participants, we offer complete packages with accommodation, social events, and guided excursions around Denmark and Europe.

### R&D, innovation and entrepreneurship

Research and development are integrated in our programmes. Our research centres use a practice-led, multidisciplinary approach to research in areas covering all of our educational programmes, including health and healthcare, engineering, energy and environment, pedagogy, teaching and learning, design, film and animation, business and entrepreneurship, social studies and management.

At VIA, we combine high-quality education, research and a close cooperation with private industry.



Lotte Thøgersen,  
Director of Research, School of Business,  
Technology and Creative Industries

## ACADEMIC AREAS

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### VIA Faculty of Education & Social Studies:

## EDUCATION

#### Bachelor's degrees in Danish

Social Education  
Social Education Assistant  
Teacher

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#### Master's degree collaboration

Master in Outdoor Environmental Education and Outdoor Life  
(VIA and the University of Linköping, Sweden)

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#### Double degrees

Bachelor in Pre-school Education (VIA and Changzhou Institute of Technology, China)  
Bachelor in Pedagogics (VIA and the University of Bucharest, Romania)

### VIA Faculty of Education & Social Studies:

## SOCIAL STUDIES

#### Bachelor's degrees in Danish

Christianity, Culture & Communication  
Diakonia & Social Pedagogy  
Public Administration  
Social Work

The way of teaching at VIA is very different from Australia. Especially the classes and the teachers, who are so welcoming and know us all on a first-name basis. It's been an amazing experience, and I recommend it to absolutely everyone who's thinking about studying abroad.



Georgia, Australia,  
Exchange semester in nursing at VIA Faculty of  
Health Sciences

### VIA Faculty of Health Sciences:

## HEALTH

#### Bachelor's degrees in English

Global Nutrition & Health

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#### Bachelor's degrees in Danish

Biomedical Laboratory Science  
Nursing  
Nutrition and Health  
Occupational Therapy  
Physiotherapy  
Prosthetics & Orthotics  
Relaxation & Psychomotor Therapy

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#### Master's degree collaboration

Master of Health Sciences (VIA and Deakin University, Australia)  
Master in Advanced Geriatric Nursing (VIA and Högskolen Buskerud, Norway)

### VIA School of Business, Technology & Creative Industries

## ENGINEERING

#### Bachelor's degrees in English

Civil Engineering  
Mechanical Engineering  
Software Engineering  
Supply Engineering (also online)

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#### Bachelor's degrees in Danish

Production Engineer

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#### Master's degree collaborations

Master in European Construction Engineering (VIA and 7 partners)

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#### Double degrees

Bachelor of Building Engineering, Architectural Technology & Construction Management (VIA and Riga Building College, Latvia)  
Bachelor of Civil Engineering (VIA and Changzhou Institute of Technology, China)

## ACADEMIC AREAS

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VIA School of Business, Technology & Creative Industries

## TECHNOLOGY AND CONSTRUCTION

### Bachelor's degrees in English

Architectural Technology & Construction Management

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### Double degrees

Bachelor of Architectural Technology & Construction Management

- (VIA and HAMK University of Applied Sciences, Finland)
  - (VIA and Sichuan University, China)
  - (VIA and Chengdu University, China)
  - (VIA and Silesian University of Technology, Poland)
  - (VIA and Universidad Politecnica de Valencia, Spain)
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### Double degrees

Bachelor of Building Engineering, Architectural Technology & Construction Management (VIA and Riga Building College, Latvia)

Bachelor of Civil Engineering (VIA and Changzhou Institute of Technology, China)

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### Academy Profession (AP) degrees

Construction Technology

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## BUSINESS

### Bachelor's degrees in English

International Sales & Marketing Management\*

Value Chain Management

Global Business Engineering

\*requires an AP degree

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### Academy Profession (AP) degrees

Marketing Management

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## DESIGN

### Bachelor's degrees in English

Design & Business (4 specialisations)\*

Materials Science & Product Design

\*requires an AP degree

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### Academy Profession (AP) degrees

Design, Technology & Business

- Branding & Marketing Management
- Fashion Design
- Pattern Design

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## FILM AND ANIMATION

### Bachelor's degrees in English

Graphic Storytelling

Character Animation

Computer Graphics Arts

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### Bachelor's degree in Danish

Multiplatform Storytelling & Production

Studying at VIA has developed my ability to work in groups, as well as individually. The mix of courses balances research and creative concepts. Engaging in the Danish way of life, work and education has allowed me to grasp the blend of professional and casual lifestyle, whilst simultaneously enhancing my global skills through the international community.



Dayna Hazime, England.  
Full-degree student of Design & Business,  
Branding & Marketing Management at VIA Design.

**ABOUT DENMARK**

Denmark is cold, fun and unforgettable



Julia, Czech Republic,  
International semester in Teacher Education,  
VIA Faculty of Education & Social Studies



**About Denmark**

- Denmark is one of the world’s safest, least corrupt countries (Transparency International)
- Denmark has the most climate-friendly policies in the world
- 9 of 10 Danes own bicycles. 36% of adults bike to work, while 45 % of children bike to school (Cycling Embassy of Denmark)
- Denmark consists of 1419 islands and 7314 kilometers of coast-line

**Danish university system**

3 years - 180 ECTS	PhD
1-2 years - 120 ECTS	Master’s degree
3-4,5 years - 180-240 ECTS	Bachelor’s degree
1,5 years - 90 ECTS	Top-up degree
2 years - 120 ECTS	Academy Profession (AP) degree *

\* The Academy Profession Degree (AP) corresponds to the first two years of a bachelor’s degree.

## INTRODUCTION

# VIA's uniqueness

The strength of our programmes is the combination of research-based teaching and practice placements/clinical training.

Our approach to higher education is loyal to the idea of the universities of applied sciences. We present students with the latest theories and methods and allow them to participate in research and innovation activities. At the same time we place high emphasis on developing the students' hands-on skills through practical training and clinical practice.

Our approach to education is very "Danish". We encourage students to exchange ideas with our lecturers and staff in informal learning environments. We offer small-size classes, where students easily share ideas and ask questions. And we integrate new ways of learning such as simulation-based training and e-learning.

- VIA educates 1 in 4 Danish teachers, social educators and nurses
- We are a vibrant innovation hub with 25% of our students participating in innovation activities
- VIA is continuously awarded the Students Experience Exchange survey (SEE) prize for Excellent International Student Satisfaction
- Award-winning guest lecturers teach at VIA's The Animation Workshop, which is one of the world's leading schools of animation
- Students from our bachelor-programme Multiplatform Storytelling & Production win awards at Cannes and Berlin film festivals
- VIA Design is a Cumulus network member - a leading international network and organization for art, design and media
- VIA supports entrepreneurial students in incubator environments during and after their studies
- Our students deliver innovative solutions to industry partners nationally and internationally and are active contributors to global solutions, for example within sustainability



When you have your own start-up company, as I do, it is a great privilege as a student at VIA that you have access to an entrepreneurial environment where you can share and exchange ideas with others in the same situation. The monthly network meeting and the meeting facilities are great and it is a huge advantage to be able to run workshops and events at our campus.



Anne-Mette Bjerre,  
Design & Business student, VIA Design

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