

# Elements of AI — Finland's Free, EU-Adopted AI Literacy Course for the General Public

AI in Education · Good practice · Finland

Quality score: 73/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

## Summary

A free 30-hour course by the University of Helsinki and MinnaLearn has taught AI basics to over a million learners in 170+ countries, becoming the first course the EU offered free to all citizens during Finland's 2019 presidency.

## Key dimensions

| Dimension                              | Score |
|----------------------------------------|-------|
| Evidence of learning impact            | 2/3   |
| Equity & inclusion                     | 3/3   |
| Transparency, ethics & data protection | 2/3   |
| Teacher capability & pedagogy          | 1/3   |
| Scalability & sustainability           | 3/3   |

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

## Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-18

[University of Helsinki & MinnaLearn](#) — accessed 2026-08-18

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