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Check if you need a UK visa

You may need a visa to come to the UK to visit, study or work.

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https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa
As an international student, it is most likely that you will apply for a student visa through the new Student Route (previously Tier 4).

- The Student Route falls under the UK's new points-based immigration system.
- It costs £348 to apply for this student visa outside of the UK.
- Your student visa will allow you to live and study in the UK throughout your course.
- For more information on the student visa and your options, visit [https://www.gov.uk/student-visa](https://www.gov.uk/student-visa).
You will also need to pay a fee called an Immigration Health Surcharge. This gives you access to the UK’s National Health Service. Students receive a 25 per cent discount on the usual cost of this surcharge – so the rate for student visa holders is £470 per year.

https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/student-visas
A student visa through the Student Route is appropriate for most international students.

Other visas may better suit your situation.

[https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/student-visas](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/student-visas) offers information on:

- type of visa to apply for
- where you can study in the UK
- when you should apply
- taking an English language test
- bringing a family with you
- renewing a visa application.

You can also visit: [www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa](https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa)
NEW GRADUATE ROUTE LAUNCHES
1 JULY 2021

The UK’s new Graduate Route allows you to apply to stay in the UK for up to two years after you finish your undergraduate or master’s degree, to work or look for work. Students who complete their PhD will be able to stay for three years.

- Open to all international students who complete their degree from 1 July 2021 onwards.
- Successful applicants will be able to stay and work, or look for work, in the UK for a maximum period of two years.* Students who complete their PhD will be able to stay for three years.
- Ability to switch to a skilled work visa once you have found a suitable job.
- You must complete a degree at undergraduate level (or above) at a UK higher education provider with a track record of compliance.

*The route is non-extendable/does not count towards settlement.
The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) measures your English language proficiency.

• All UK universities accept IELTS results.
• International students are typically required to gain a score of 6.5 or above in order to study here.
• The UK’s top universities can require a score of 7.5.

To find out more about IELTS, visit www.ielts.org www.britishcouncil.ch
UK universities have adapted to the Covid-19 pandemic, ensuring student safety remains top priority while continuing to deliver the world-class teaching the UK is known for. Universities have implemented a number of Covid-19 support services that international students can access, such as airport pick-up services, helplines for students that run 24/7 and facilitating free counselling and mental health support services.

https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/coronavirus
Join us online from Monday 14 to Friday 25 February 2022.

• Study UK: Meet the universities is a free online event for students from European countries who want to study in the UK.
• Get the latest news and advice about everything from filling in your application to getting your student visa to starting out as a UK student.
• Suitable for European students of all levels, particularly students who are looking for advice to finalise and submit their application and get started in the UK.

https://www.britishcouncil.at/en/study-uk/meet-the-universities-event
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