





Introduction

You can visit the UK as a Standard Visitor for study on a programme up to 6 months.

Standard Visitor Visa (SVV)

Some students will need to apply for a visa before they travel to the UK.

Other students will receive an electronic visa at the border (e.g. airport) when they arrive in the UK.



Things you can and cannot do on a Standard Visitor Visa

You can:

Study on the Global Scholars programme

Undertake tourist activities (outside of class time)

See friends and family in the UK

You cannot:

Undertake paid or unpaid work, including in person or online internships

Voluntary work

Claim public funds

Switch to another type of visa from within the UK



Who doesn't need to apply for a visa before travelling to the UK

Nationalities including, but not limited to:

USA UK

Ireland Japan

Hong Kong Canada

South Korea EU Countries

Brazil Mexico

Australia New Zealand

Trinidad and Tobago

Do I need to apply for a visa before I travel?

Afghanistan	Bhutan	People's Republic of China	El Salvador	Guinea	Kenya	Madagascar	Nepal	São Tomé and Principe	Suriname	Uganda
Albania	Bolivia	Comoros	Equatorial Guinea	Guinea Bissau		Malawi	Niger	Saudi Arabia	Syria	Ukraine
Algeria	Bosnia Herzegovina	Congo	Eritrea	Haiti	Kosovo	Mali	Nigeria	Senegal	Taiwan	United Arab Emirates
Angola	Burkina Faso	Côte d'Ivoire (formerly Ivory Coast)	Eswatini (formerly Swaziland)	India	Kuwait	Mauritania	North Macedonia (formerly Macedonia)	Serbia	Tajikistan	Uzbekistan
Armenia	Burundi	Cuba	Ethiopia	Indonesia	Kyrgyzstan	Moldova	Oman	Sierra Leone	Tanzania	Venezuela
Azerbaijan	Cambodia	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Fiji	Iran	Laos	Mongolia	Pakistan	Somalia	Thailand	Vietnam
Bahrain	Cameroon	Djibouti	Gabon	Iraq	Lebanon	Montenegro	Philippines	South Africa	Togo	Yemen
Bangladesh	Cape Verde	Dominican Republic	Gambia	Jamaica	Lesotho	Morocco	Qatar	South Sudan	Tunisia	Zambia
Belarus	Central African Republic	Ecuador	Georgia	Jordan	Liberia	Mozambique	Russia	Sri Lanka	Turkey	Zimbabwe
Benin	Chad	Egypt	Ghana	Kazakhstan	Libya	Myanmar (formerly Burma)	Rwanda	Sudan	Turkmenistan	

Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA)

If you're a national of Qatar

You'll need an ETA if you're travelling to the UK on or after 15 November 2023. You'll be able to apply from 25 October 2023.

You'll need to apply on the UK ETA app, or online on GOV.UK. You can apply on behalf of others.

How you'll get your ETA

You'll get an email confirmation if your application is approved.

We'll link your ETA electronically to the passport you applied with. You must use the same passport to travel.

You can find further information about ETA



Check you meet the Eligibility Requirements

You must have a valid passport to enter the UK. It should be valid for the duration of your programme.

You must be able to show that:

- you'll leave the UK at the end of your visit
- you're able to support yourself and your dependants during your trip (or have funding from someone else to support you)
- you're able to pay for your return or onward journey (or have funding from someone else to pay for the journey)
- you'll not live in the UK for extended periods through frequent or successive visits, or make the UK your main home

If you have to apply for a SVV before you travel to the UK

You must apply for a Standard Visitor visa online before you travel to the UK.

A Standard Visitor visa costs £115 for up to 6 months.

The earliest you can apply is 3 months before you travel to the UK.

(e.g if you plan to arrive in the UK on 8th January 2024 you can make your visa application on 8th October 2023)

You must prove that:

- you've been accepted onto a programme provided by an accredited UK institution
- the programme is no more than 6 months long

NOTE: Global Scholars students are not applying for an Academic Visa

Documents and information you'll need to apply

You must have a passport that is valid for the whole duration of your stay in the UK. There must be a blank page in your passport for your Standard Visitor visa.

You'll need to provide the following information in your online application:

- the dates you're planning to travel to the UK
- where you'll be staying during your visit
- how much you think your trip will cost
- your current home address and how long you've lived there
- your parents' names and dates of birth (if known)
- how much you earn in a year (if you have an income)
- details of any criminal, civil or immigration offences you may have committed
- NU Enrolment Letter
- NU London Confirmation of Participation Letter



Documents and information you'll need to apply (cont.)

Depending on your circumstances, you might also need to provide:

- details of your travel history for the past 10 years
- your employer's address and telephone number
- your partner's name, date of birth and passport number
- the name and address of anyone paying for your trip
- the name, address and passport number of any family members you have in the UK



Proving your identity and providing your documents

As part of your online application, you need to book an appointment at a visa application centre. Allow time to attend your appointment, as the visa application centre could be in another country.

At your appointment, you'll need to:

- prove your identity with your passport or travel document
- have your fingerprints and photograph (known as 'biometric information') taken
- provide the required documents that show you're eligible for a Standard Visitor Visa

The visa application centre may keep your passport and documents while processing your application.

How long it takes to get a decision

Once you've applied online, proved your identity and provided your documents, you'll usually get a decision on your visa within 3 weeks.

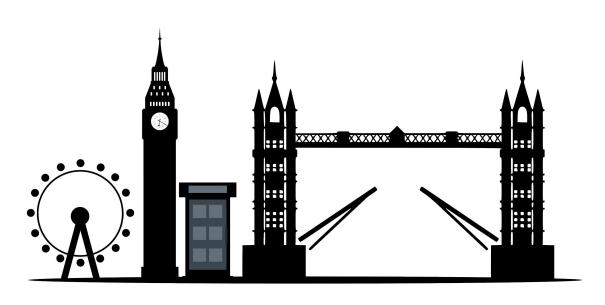
You can check to see if you can get your visa decision faster - this depends on what country you're in.

You'll get an email or a letter containing the decision on your application. This will explain what you need to do next.

Once you have received your visa, please send a copy to visa@nulondon.ac.uk.







Questions?

You can also email your questions to

visa@nulondon.ac.uk

Please note that the information provided in this presentation has been extracted from the United Kingdom Visa & Immigration website. While we have made every effort to ensure the accuracy and reliability of this information, we do not provide individual immigration advice related to the Standard Visitor Visa or any other specific cases.

If you require immigration advice that is specific to your individual circumstances, we strongly recommend that you seek the services of a qualified immigration solicitor or adviser who can provide you with tailored guidance and support













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