

Información para estudiantes de E4 - Lancaster: VISA REQUIREMENTS U.K. (over 6-months)

EEA nationals (who do not hold Settlement or other appropriate immigration category) applying to study for longer than six months need to make a Student Route visa application before travelling to the UK; <https://www.gov.uk/student-visa>

Applying from outside the UK

The earliest you can apply for a visa is 6 months before you start your course.

You'll usually get a decision on your visa within 3 weeks.

How long you can stay

How long you can stay depends on the length of your course and what study you've already completed.

If you're 18 or over and your course is at degree level, you can usually stay in the UK for up to 5 years.

When you can travel to the UK

You can arrive in the UK up to 1 month before your course starts, if your course lasts more than 6 months

Fees

It costs: £348 to apply for a Student visa from outside the UK

Healthcare surcharge

You'll also have to pay the healthcare surcharge as part of your application. <https://www.gov.uk/healthcare-immigration-application/pay>

Check how much you'll have to pay before you apply. (around £1200 – E4 students) <https://www.immigration-health-surcharge.service.gov.uk/checker/type>

What you can and cannot do:

You can:

- study
- work as a student union sabbatical officer
- You may be able to work - how much depends on what you're studying and whether you're working in or out of term-time.

You cannot:

- claim public funds (benefits) and pensions
- work in certain jobs, for example as a professional sportsperson or sports coach
- be self-employed
- study at an academy or a local authority-funded school (also known as a maintained school)

If your application is successful, you'll be told what you can and cannot do on a Student visa.

Your course

You must have an unconditional offer of a place on a course with a licensed student sponsor.

To prove this, your education provider (Lancaster University) will send you a reference number (called a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS)) once they've offered you a place on the course. You need a CAS before you can apply for your visa.

Your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS)

Once they've offered you a place on the course, your education provider will send you a reference number called a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies. You must enter this reference number on your visa application.

You must apply for your visa within 6 months of receiving your CAS. <https://www.gov.uk/student-visa/apply>

Money you need

You do not need to prove you have money to support yourself if you are from Spain.

However, you might be asked to provide this evidence before you get a decision on your application.

You must have enough money to support yourself in the UK. How much money you need depends on your circumstances and where you will be studying.

- *£1,023 per month (for up to 9 months) for courses outside London*

If you have a student loan or financial sponsorship, you'll need to provide evidence of this from your loan or sponsorship company.

If you do need to provide it, you'll be contacted by UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) after you've submitted your application.

Knowledge of English

You must prove your knowledge of the English language when you apply.

This usually means passing a Secure English Language Test (SELT). This must be from an approved provider. (IELTS for example)

Level of English:

You must prove you can read, write, speak and understand English to an Equivalent to CEFR level B2 on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) scale.

If you're studying with a Higher Education Provider (at degree level or above), your Higher Education Provider (HEP) can assess your level of English themselves.

This means they may ask you to do a different test.

This must still be equivalent to a CEFR level B2.

Documents you'll need to apply

When you apply for your Student visa you must provide:

- a current passport or other valid travel documentation
- a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) from your course provider

You may also need to provide:

- proof you have enough money to support yourself and pay for your course - this will vary depending on your circumstances
- your tuberculosis test results
- written consent for your application from your financial sponsor if you've received sponsorship for your course fees and living costs in the last 12 months

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

You need a blank page in your passport for your visa if you need to give your biometric information (fingerprints and a photograph) at a visa application centre.

You'll be told if you need to do this when you apply.

Apply

You must apply online for a Student visa. As part of your application, you'll need to prove your identity. How you do this depends on where you're from and what type of passport you have.

You'll either:

- give your fingerprints and a photograph (biometric information) at a visa application centre https://pos.tlscontact.com/mad_en/
Madrid Visa Application Centre Avenida de Asturias, 9, Esquina Antonio González Echarte, CP 28029, Madrid, Spain
- use the 'UK Immigration: ID Check' app to scan your identity document - you'll also create or sign into your UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) account
- You'll be told what you need to do when you apply.
- Once you've started your application, you can save your form and complete it later.

Apply for your visa here:

https://apply-to-visit-or-stay-in-the-uk.homeoffice.gov.uk/sort/live-in-crown-dependency/student_out_uk?uid=035d3f6b-a3dc-4d59-96d9-219325e53148