



SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

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Introduction

Each year, thousands of international students come to study in the UK. There are a huge number of courses and degree programmes available. These range from medicine, law, accountancy and architecture to the arts, media, humanities, science and business. UK qualifications are recognized and respected throughout the world. British universities and colleges provide a diverse, creative and inviting environment, which will encourage students to reach their full potential. Increasing numbers of international students, from over 170 different countries, are choosing to study towards a higher education course in the UK.

Some of the reasons students choose to study here are:

A good international reputation

The quality of UK education is recognized all over the world by employers, universities and governments, making it a popular destination for international students. UK higher education is well-respected for the standard of its research and teaching.

A good quality of education

UK universities are monitored closely to ensure that they uphold the high standards of teaching, learning and research set by the government. The **Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA)** is the key body charged with maintaining these standards.

Value for money

The quality of UK degrees is one reason why so many people come to the UK to study. Another is value for money. Unlike the equivalent programmes in the United States or Australia, most UK Masters programmes can be completed in one year.

A wide range of courses

UK universities and colleges offer a wide range of higher education courses. Whatever your career goals or interests might be, there will a higher education course for you.

An interesting place to live

The UK is full of diverse cultures and people and this is what attracts many students to come here from other countries. From cosmopolitan cities to smaller towns and villages, the UK is a place of contrasts - a place where historical buildings mix with the latest contemporary architecture. By coming to the UK to study students are likely to develop good language skills. English is arguably the most important language in today's global business world; studying in the UK will develop students' language skills each day, when chatting to friends, in seminars and lectures, and out and about.

There are some useful links on our website which help you discover all you need to know about being a student in the UK.

Studying English in the UK

There are thousands of English language courses offered in the United Kingdom. Over 600,000 learners a year come to the UK to achieve their educational goals, and to enjoy being a part of multicultural society and modern UK life.

An ability to speak English will give students a major advantage in all aspects of life. By learning English in the UK you will be studying and living the language all of the time; you'll be able to use English everyday, as well as routinely receive English communication through film and television, newspapers and books, shopping and entertainment.

UK English language courses include all the language skills - listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students in the UK can practice their spoken English whilst experiencing the many different UK regional accents, helping to broaden their range of skills.

If you'd like to find out more about the different English courses we can help students undertake, please don't hesitate to contact us.



Admission Processing

We will provide full assistance to completing and submitting applications for admission, and provide you with a full list of necessary supporting documents. We will also correspond with the university/college regarding your application, and collect your Offer Letter once the application is accepted. Once the admission is successful you will need to pay tuition fees in advance in order to get the relevant visa stamped on your passport.

The entire process of applying is often complex, but under our comprehensive consulting package you can leave the whole process to us – all you need to do is obtain the paperwork we require. We will work with you from start to the finish, answering all your questions and resolving all issues.

You will receive regular reminders from us during the application process - all you need to do is prepare for and take the standardized test (for which you will have our test series). We will guide you through all the difficult decisions and help you emerge as a winner in the end.



Student Visa Section

Our Student Visa Section undertakes a full service towards helping you get to know about immigration rules, from applying for a visa to getting it stamped on your passport. We also provide services for students already in the UK who want to apply for a visa extension. Our service includes pre-visa application assessment, medical/health insurance and any travel insurance requirements, etc.

Studying in the UK offers international students the opportunity to gain internationally recognised qualifications from reputable UK educational institutions and establishments.



Tier 4 Student Visa Overview

If the course is for a period greater than 6 months then you will be able to work part-time during your studies (full-time during vacations), with the potential (if you meet the points requirements) to switch to a Tier 2 work permit or a Tier 1 visa once you have obtained your qualification. If your course is for a period less than 6 months then you may be able to enter as a student visitor. **Time spent in the UK on a Tier 4 Student Visa or as a student visitor will not count towards Permanent Residence.**

The Student Visa will be granted for the duration of your course, up to a maximum of 4 years if you are studying for a degree level qualification or a maximum of 3 years if you are studying for a qualification below degree level. An extension can be applied for towards the end of the period if this is required to complete your studies.

Qualifying for a Tier 4 Student Visa

You must score 40 points to qualify for a Tier 4 Student Visa. Acceptance on a suitable course will provide 30 points and you must score a further 10 Points by demonstrating that you have enough money to cover your course fees and monthly living costs (also known as Maintenance). The amount required will depend upon the length of the course and the location in which you will study.

Family and Dependants

You are allowed to bring your dependent partner and children with you if your course is for a period greater than 6 months. Your dependant will be able to work full-time. The UK Student Visa category allows overseas students to come to study in the UK at various levels, ranging from primary and secondary to post-graduate and vocational. Anyone wishing to study in the UK is required to obtain an appropriate Student Visa before commencing any course.



Immigration Support and Assistance

To ensure that we are covering all of the services that a student could need whilst studying overseas, we help our students with immigration matters as well. This service includes staying in the UK, working rights while you're studying, whether your spouse or relatives can come for a visit and about your travel during your studies. We can help you in following situations:

- Getting permission to stay in the UK once you finish your studies;
- Getting permission to do something which you are not presently allowed to do - for example: being allowed to work after completing your professional education;
- Bringing relatives into the country - for example: a spouse, fiancé(e), children;
- If you are already living in the UK but wanting to travel (for example: for a holiday).

When looking at the current climate as an overseas student, or a professional who has completed his/her studies and wants to work here legally, it's difficult to choose the right Immigration Consultant to deal with your application. Our aim is to portray to you our image of what will work for you, whether you're looking to process a student visa or a work permit; once you hand it to us, it becomes our responsibility to make your case succeed.

The choice becomes clear when a consultancy like us bases itself on 3 principles:

- Honesty
- Reliability
- Professionalism

We treat these words with care when dealing with an application; after all, you are paying us for a service. Our advisors can assist you with:

- Student Visas - Tier 4;
- Work permits (Reconsiderations) - Tier 2;
- Visitors Visa;
- Other Visas and extensions;
- Permission to work requests;
- The new Point Based System;
- EEA law;
- Residence Permit;
- Permit Free applications;
- Dependency cases;
- Points based system;
- Certificate of Approval;
- Post study work- Tier 1;
- Tier 1 (General).



We can also provide further assistance on extensive case work;

- Representing clients in correspondence with the UKBA and at UKBA interviews;
- Representations to the UKBA in support of cases;
- Drafting client statements;
- Lodging appeals (only in exceptional circumstances where immediate referral is not possible);
- Study visa applications;
- Any other complex applications of students.

Let us give you the practical advice you require - please feel free to contact us. We can also enquire on your behalf about visas already submitted to the Home Office to find out where your application is at the moment.



Admission Transfer

The Transfer Services Office is here to pay special attention to facilitating a smooth transition to Universities and colleges in foreign countries. Some colleges and universities have exchange agreements with other universities.

Our Admission Transfer service includes:

- Assisting you with admission requirements and the application process;
- Providing preliminary evaluation of transfer credit so you'll know what courses will transfer;
- Connecting you with an academic advisor or your major department so you can complete your degree as efficiently as possible;
- Serving as a liaison for transfer students.

For further information please contact our Student Liaison Office with your query.



Student Counselling

Being an ultimate service provider we talk and listen to our students in need of advice. Keeping in view your individual profile and the professional market scenario, we will help you to make the best career choice; we will review your academic, professional and financial circumstances along with your future study & career plan.



According to your needs, we will assist you in selecting the most suitable course, your place of study and all other related issues. You will get proper guidance from us, which will fully comply with the updated visa requirements.

We focus on, and understand, the concerns that need urgent attention.

Counselling may concern the following:

- Academic information;
- Available opportunities;
- Career interest and future opportunities;
- Addressing and resolving specific problems;
- Coping with crisis and change;
- Developing personal insight and knowledge;
- Improving relationships with others;
- Making decisions;
- Working through feelings of inner conflict;
- Focusing on issues;

Student Liaison

International Student Liaison Services represents overseas students in the UK. We will not leave you in the dark; we will go with you step-by-step to the end. If you desire and are prepared to study overseas, contact International Student Liaison Services. If your program is not within our affiliated schools, we will reach out to other universities to ensure you the program of your choice.

International Student Liaison Services also offer numerous other services, including hotel reservation, flight booking/referral, home search, job referral and a host of other services related to your study overseas.

Student Registration

We help students register with their choice of college/University in order to gain admission; our student liaison service deals with all student registration queries. We give special attention to those who have disabilities or special needs.

Our student registration application service highlights the areas essential for a well presented application, including assistance with the Statement of Purpose. Our regular follow-ups with the Universities result in a positive and quick response.

Student Accommodation

Our International Students' Accommodation Office provides comprehensive accommodation and support services to international students who have decided to study in the UK. We will help you to find the best accommodation with all facilities within your budget.



For further details please contact our International Student Accommodation Department.

Financial Assistance / funding your studies

We provide information on a number of UK scholarship schemes. Scholarships are available for pre-degree, undergraduate and postgraduate study in the UK and are usually awarded based on academic merit. You can find the funding for your chosen course through our links to approved websites. Many scholarships only cover postgraduate degrees; others cover course fees for specific subjects, whilst some are only available for specific institutions. Whichever scholarship, grant or award is best for you, we can help you to find it.

Student Bank Account

Our Student Liaison office will help you to open an account in a UK bank. The international student account gives you a Visa debit card for secure withdrawals and purchases, free deposit of foreign cheques and you can manage your accounts online for free.

For further information please contact our Student Liaison office (this must be done personally and not on behalf of another).



Student Insurance



When you plan on studying abroad, it is extremely important that you have the right health and travel insurance in place to protect you in case something happens.

We can help you to arrange your international student insurance through our student services department. We can get a discounted insurance quote for our registered members, and we can arrange from our affiliated insurance companies to get the fully comprehensive health insurance and international travel medical insurance plans - so you're ready to go with peace of mind. For insurance enquiries please contact our Student Liaison office.

With **InternationalStudentInsurance.com** you can choose from world class study abroad and international health and travel insurance plans to suit every need - from short term coverage (from as little as 5 days), right up to longer term annual coverage.

Students with Special Needs

Education is a fundamental human right. It promotes individual freedom and empowerment and yields important development benefits. Yet thousands of children and adults remain deprived of educational opportunities because of disability and special needs. We aim to provide maximum resources to overseas students so that they can gain access to quality education, regardless of their disability. We help students who have special needs to continue their higher education **(when you contact us you must provide your original medical reports, which must not be more than two years old).**

Please let us know if you have any of the following disabilities or difficulties and we will be able to arrange admissions based on your needs.

- Visual difficulties
- Hearing difficulties
- Learning difficulties
- Mobility disability



Most universities welcome applications from students with disabilities.

Airport Service

Your safety and comfort are our primary concerns. Our airport pickup service is the finest when it comes to delivering on-time, reliable and courteous travel. We offer student airport pickup and drop service on discounted prices.

We can offer airport pickup and transfer from any of the London Airports and Ports to any destination in the United Kingdom and save you up to 30% when compared to black Taxi-cabs.

Our courteous and knowledgeable drivers will await your arrival at the Arrivals Lounge with a sign bearing your name. Once you have made contact with your driver you will be driven in comfort and safety to your destination.

