

UK Visa Requirements

Do I need a visa?

Studying in UK for 6 months or less | “Visitor Immigration Status” / “Standard Visitor Visa”

There are different ways to obtain the 'visitor' status depending upon your nationality.

There are 2 categories:

- **Visa Nationals:** need to apply for & obtain a standard visitor visa before travelling to the UK
- **Non-Visa Nationals:** need to receive the 'visitor' status when you enter the UK

Check if you need a visa: <https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa/y> :

1. Select your nationality
2. Select “Study”
3. Select “6 months or less”

Studying in UK for more than 6 months | Student Visa is required

Please see the following Student Visa webpage: <https://www.gov.uk/student-visa> for information on the process (EU/EEA nationals also need a Student Visa).

Check if you need a visa: <https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa/y>

1. Select your nationality
2. Select “Study”
3. Select “longer than 6 months”
4. Select “Student visa”

English Language proof for student visa seekers

The CI certificate issued by Esade is not valid for student visa seekers, so students who need a student visa must proof their level of English by:

- passing a Secure English Language Test (SELT) from an [approved provider](#)
- having a GCSE, A level, Scottish National Qualification level 4 or 5, Scottish Higher or Advanced Higher in English, gained through study at a UK school that you began when you were under 18
- having a degree-level academic qualification that was taught in English – students who studied abroad will need to [apply through Ecctis \(formerly UK NARIC\)](#) for confirmation that your qualification is equivalent to a UK bachelor’s degree, master’s degree or PhD

