



## Temporary Graduate visa (subclass 485)

# Post-Higher Education Work stream

This visa is for international students who have recently graduated with a degree from an Australian institution. It allows you to live, work and study in Australia temporarily.

## Overview

### Stay

Usually between 2 and 3 years, depending on your qualification.

Hong Kong and British National Overseas passport holders may stay for 5 years.

### Cost

From AUD2,300.00

### Processing times

For an indication of processing times for your visa, use the [visa processing time guide tool](#)

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### With this visa, you can

- live, study and work in Australia temporarily after you have finished your studies
- bring your family members

See all conditions ([/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/see-your-visa-conditions?product=485-34](#))

[Check your eligibility \(#Eligibility\)](#)

### You must

- be aged 35 years or under when you apply. \*Exceptions apply
- be in Australia when you apply for this visa
- hold an eligible visa
- have held a Student visa in the last 6 months
- have a recent degree in a [CRICOS-registered course](http://cricos.education.gov.au/) (<http://cricos.education.gov.au/>)
- provide evidence of adequate health insurance for all applicants when you apply

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- provide evidence you have applied for an Australian Federal Police check when you apply. See [character requirements \(/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/character\)](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/character)
- provide evidence of the required level of English with your application.

## Help with your visa

If you are getting help with your visa, before you pay someone, read information on [Who can help with your visa application \(/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/overview\)](/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/overview).

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## With this visa, you can

- stay in Australia for between 2 to 3 years after you have finished your studies
- travel, work or study in Australia during your stay.

You must find your own employment while on this visa.

## How long can you stay

This is a temporary visa. The length of your stay in Australia will depend on the level of your Australian study qualification.

- Bachelor degree (including honours) – 2 years
- Masters (coursework and extended) – 2 years
- Masters (research) – 3 years
- Doctoral degree – 3 years.

The default Graduate Diploma stay period is 2 years, but may be longer where previous study would have attracted a longer stay period.

The length of stay for Indian nationals, as agreed in the Australia India – Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (AI-ECTA), is as follows:

- Bachelor degree (including honours) – 2 years
- Bachelor degree (with first class honours in STEM, including ICT) – 3 years
- Masters (coursework, extended and research) – 3 years
- Doctoral degrees (PhD) – 4 years.

Hong Kong and British National Overseas passport holders may stay up to 5 years.

The visa starts on the date we grant your visa.

You can travel in and out of Australia while your visa is valid.

## Stay longer

We cannot extend this visa.

You may be eligible to apply for a [Second Post-Higher Education Work stream visa \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/second-post-study-work\)](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/second-post-study-work). For further information, see [Eligibility. \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/second-post-study-work#Eligibility\)](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/second-post-study-work#Eligibility)

You may be eligible for other skilled work visas. Use our visa finder to find out [options for work \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder/work\)](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder/work).

Current and future Temporary Graduate visa holders from Hong Kong may have a pathway to permanent residency after 5 years.

## Include family

You can include members of your family unit in your application when you apply, if they are in Australia. You can add your children to the application until we decide on your application. You cannot add any other member of the family unit to your application during that period.

If you want to add your family member to your visa after we have granted it, they can apply as a subsequent entrant. They can apply from in or outside Australia. Family members who apply for this visa must meet our health and character requirements.

For more details, see [when you have this visa \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/graduate-work#When\)](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/graduate-work#When).

## Cost

The visa costs AUD2,300.00 for the main applicant.

There is also a charge for each family member who applies for the visa with you.

Subsequent entrants, including children born offshore, must pay the full Visa Application Charge.

You might also have to pay other costs for health checks or police certificates and biometrics.

To work out what your visa will cost use the [Visa Pricing Estimator \(/visas/visa-pricing-estimator?visa=485-34\)](/visas/visa-pricing-estimator?visa=485-34). The estimator does not take into account the other costs.

The Temporary Graduate visa is exempt from the [Subsequent Temporary Application Charge](#).

## Apply from

You can be in Australia (but not in immigration clearance) when you apply for this visa.

Subsequent entrants can be in or outside Australia when they apply.

All applicants can be in or outside Australia at the time of decision.

## Processing times

For an indication of processing times for your visa, use the [visa processing time guide tool \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/global-visa-processing-times\)](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/global-visa-processing-times). This will show the processing times for recently decided applications. It is a guide only and not specific to your application.

Your application can take longer to process if:

- you do not fill it in correctly
- we need more information from you
- it takes us time to verify your information.

We cannot process your application if you do not pay the correct Visa Application Charge. We will notify you if this is the case and if necessary return your application.

## Your obligations

You and your family must meet all visa conditions and follow Australian laws.

Learn more about [conditions for this visa \(/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/see-your-visa-conditions?product=485-34\)](/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/see-your-visa-conditions?product=485-34).

## Travel

You can travel outside Australia and return as many times as you want while your visa is valid.

The time you spend outside Australia does not extend your visa.

## Visa label

We will digitally link your visa to your passport. You will not get a label in your passport.

## Eligibility

## Be this age

You must be 35 years of age or under when you apply.

You can be under 50 years of age when you apply if you:

- are using a Masters (research) or Doctoral Degree (PhD) to meet the [Temporary Graduate visa study requirement \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/meeting-the-temporary-graduate-visa-subclass-485-study-requirement\)](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/meeting-the-temporary-graduate-visa-subclass-485-study-requirement), or
- hold a Hong Kong or British National Overseas passport.

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## Have this visa

You must be in Australia (but not in immigration clearance) when you apply for this visa.

Subsequent entrants can be in or outside Australia when they apply.

We will process your visa application if:

- you are in Australia and hold an eligible Student visa (not one supported by the Minister for Defence or the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade)
- you held a Student visa within the past 6 months and now hold a [Bridging Visa A \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/bridging-visa-a-010\)](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/bridging-visa-a-010) or [Bridging Visa B \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/bridging-visa-b-020\)](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/bridging-visa-b-020) granted based on a valid visa application
- you held a Student visa within the past 6 months and now hold a substantive visa.

To be eligible for this visa you must have completed your course within 6 months of applying.

If you previously held a subclass 485 or 476 visa as a primary applicant, you cannot be granted this visa as a primary applicant again. If you held one of these visas as a secondary applicant, you may be eligible to apply as a primary applicant.

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## Hold an eligible qualification at degree-level or above

You must have been awarded an eligible degree, regardless of your field of study, in the 6 months immediately before the day you apply for your visa. You must also meet the [Temporary Graduate visa study requirement \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/meeting-the-temporary-graduate-visa-subclass-485-study-requirement\)](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/meeting-the-temporary-graduate-visa-subclass-485-study-requirement).

### Qualifications

The qualification that you have completed must be an eligible degree. This means a:

- Bachelor degree
- Bachelor honours degree
- Masters (coursework) degree
- Masters (extended) degree
- Masters (research) degree
- Doctoral degree (research)
- Doctoral degree (professional)
- Higher doctoral degree.

A graduate diploma is considered an eligible degree if:

- you completed it in the same or next academic year as your successfully completed qualification (listed above) and
- the study is related to that qualification.

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## Meet the Temporary Graduate visa study requirement

You must have been awarded an eligible degree, regardless of your field of study, in the 6 months immediately before the day you apply for your visa and meet the [Temporary Graduate visa study requirement \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/meeting-the-temporary-graduate-visa-subclass-485-study-requirement\)](#).

On 25 November 2023, online study requirements returned to their pre-COVID state. Online study undertaken during the COVID concession period (1 February 2020 to 25 November 2023) will continue to count towards the Temporary Graduate visa study requirement.

For more information about eligible study see the Temporary Graduate visa study requirement.

The Department does not undertake pre-lodgement assessments of the Temporary Graduate visa study requirement or any other visa criteria. Once you make a valid application, a delegate will make an assessment based on the information available to them.

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## Have studied with an Australian education provider

Your course must have been with an Australian education provider who is registered on [CRICOS](#) (<http://cricos.education.gov.au/>) registered and offers degree-level programs.

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## Have this passport or this level of English language

To prove your English level meets the requirements, show us evidence that you are a citizen of and hold a valid passport from one of the following countries:

- The United Kingdom
- The United States of America
- Canada
- New Zealand
- The Republic of Ireland.

In the 12 months immediately before the day you apply for your visa, you must have scored one of the specified results below.

For tests taken on or after 7 August 2025, note the following changes:

- OET does not currently provide [overall test results \(https://oet.com/test/test-overview/results-and-scoring\)](#) on test score reports. Contact OET to obtain your overall score and include the required information in your application.
- The department accepts IELTS test results that include One Skill Retake (OSR) for a Temporary Graduate visa. Any OSR must be completed prior to lodging your application.
- The department accepts MET test results that include Single Section Retake (SSR) for a Temporary Graduate visa. Any SSR must be completed prior to lodging your application.

For further information, see [English Language visa requirements \(https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/english-language\)](https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/english-language).

### Acceptable minimum scores – Test taken on or after 7 August 2025

Test Sub-skill	C1 Advanced	CELPiP General	IELTS Academic ( <a href="https://ielts.org/take-a-test/test-types/ielts-academic-test">https://ielts.org/take-a-test/test-types/ielts-academic-test</a> )	IELTS General Training ( <a href="https://ielts.org/take-a-test/test-types/ielts-general-training-test">https://ielts.org/take-a-test/test-types/ielts-general-training-test</a> )	LANGUAGECERt Academic ( <a href="https://www.languagecert.org/en/language-exams/english/languagecert-academic/academic">https://www.languagecert.org/en/language-exams/english/languagecert-academic/academic</a> )
Overall	Not accepted	8	6.5	6.5	67
Listening	Not accepted	6	5.5	5.5	49
Reading	Not accepted	6	5.5	5.5	54
Writing	Not accepted	6	5.5	5.5	56
Speaking	Not accepted	6	5.5	5.5	62

### Acceptable minimum scores – Test taken on or before 6 August 2025

Test Sub-skill	CAE / C1 Advanced	IELTS	OET	PTE Academic	TOEFL iBT
Overall	176	6.5	B	57	83
Listening	162	5.5	B	43	7
Reading	162	5.5	B	48	8
Writing	162	5.5	B	51	18
Speaking	162	5.5	B	42	16

Holders of British National (BNO) or Hong Kong passports must have scored one of the following in the 12 months immediately before the day they apply for their visa:

## Acceptable minimum scores – Test taken on or after 7 August 2025 – Holders of British National (BNO) or Hong Kong passports

Test Sub-skill	C1 Advanced	<u><a href="https://www.celpip.ca/celpip-general/">CELPiP General</a></u>	<u><a href="https://ielts.org/take-a-test/test-types/ielts-academic-test">IELTS Academic</a></u>	<u><a href="https://ielts.org/take-a-test/test-types/ielts-general-training-test">IELTS General Training</a></u>	<u><a href="https://www.languagecert.com/exams/english/languagecert-academic/academic">LANGUAGECER</a></u>
Overall	Not accepted	7	6	6	61
Listening	Not accepted	5	5	5	41
Reading	Not accepted	5	5	5	44
Writing	Not accepted	5	5	5	45
Speaking	Not accepted	5	5	5	54

## Acceptable minimum scores – Test taken on or before 6 August 2025 - Holders of British National (BNO) or Hong Kong passports

Test Sub-skill	CAE / C1 Advanced	IELTS	OET	PTE Academic	TOEFL iBT
Overall	169	6	B	50	64
Listening	154	5	B	36	4
Reading	154	5	B	36	4
Writing	154	5	B	36	14
Speaking	154	5	B	36	14

## Have adequate health insurance



You and your family members must have and maintain adequate health insurance for the duration of your stay in Australia. See what we consider [adequate health insurance \(/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/health/adequate-health-insurance\)](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/health/adequate-health-insurance).

## Reciprocal healthcare agreements

Some countries have a reciprocal healthcare agreement with Australia. Find out more from Services Australia about [reciprocal healthcare agreements \(https://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/enablers/rhca-medical-care-visitors-australia\)](https://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/enablers/rhca-medical-care-visitors-australia).

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## Meet our health requirement

You and any family members who apply for the visa with you must meet our [health requirement \(/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/health\)](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/health).

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## Meet our character requirement

You and any family members aged 16 years and over who apply for the visa must meet our [character requirement \(/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/character\)](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/character).

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## Sign the Australian values statement

If you are 18 years of age or older, you must:

- have read, or had explained to you, the [Life in Australia \(/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/australian-values\)](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/australian-values) booklet and
- sign an [Australian Values Statement \(/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/australian-values\)](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/australian-values) that confirms you will respect the Australian way of life and obey Australian laws.

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## Have no debt to the Australian Government

If you or any family members owe the Australian Government money, you or they must have paid it back or arranged to pay it back.

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## Not had a visa cancelled or an application refused

We will consider your immigration history when we make a decision on your application, which means you might not be eligible for this visa if you have had a visa cancelled or refused.

In some circumstances you may still apply for a permanent visa if you have had a visa cancelled or an application refused see [Limitations on applications in Australia \(/form-listing/forms/1026i.pdf\)](/form-listing/forms/1026i.pdf).

If applying for a visa from outside Australia see [Can you go to Australia \(/entering-and-leaving-australia/entering-australia/can-i-go-to-australia/re-entry-ban\)](/entering-and-leaving-australia/entering-australia/can-i-go-to-australia/re-entry-ban).

If you need immigration assistance, see [Who can help with your visa application \(/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/overview/\)](/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/overview/).

Meet all these criteria? Check how to apply in our [step by step \(#HowTo\)](#) guide.

## Step by step

### Step 1

## Before you apply

Begin these steps as soon as possible after your education provider has confirmed you have successfully completed your course.

### Make sure you have a passport

You need a valid passport for this visa.

If you plan to get a new passport, do so before applying for your visa.

### Check your visa conditions

If you have a current visa with a 'No further stay' condition 8534 or 8503 on your current visa, you can't apply for this visa online. Submit an [ImmiAccount technical support form \(/help-support/departamental-forms/online-forms/immiaccount-technical-support-form/\)](/help-support/departamental-forms/online-forms/immiaccount-technical-support-form/).

To see your conditions see [VEVO \(/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/\)](/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/).

### Organise health exams

You may need to have health examinations.

Find out the [examinations you need \(/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/health/what-health-examinations-you-need/\)](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/health/what-health-examinations-you-need/) and how to arrange them. Arranging examinations before you apply may lead to a faster decision.

### Get help with your application

Only some people can help you with your application. If you appoint someone to give you immigration assistance they must be:

- a [registered migration agent \(/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/using-a-migration-agent\)](/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/using-a-migration-agent)
- a [legal practitioner \(/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/using-a-legal-practitioner\)](/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/using-a-legal-practitioner), or
- an [exempt person \(/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/exempt-person\)](/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/exempt-person).

You can appoint anyone to [receive documents \(/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/authorised-recipients\)](/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/authorised-recipients) on your behalf relating to your visa matter.

## Step 2

# Gather your documents

You need to provide documents to support your application.

We can make a decision using the information you provide when you lodge your application. Provide as much information as possible with your application.

Some documents could take some time to get. Have them ready when you submit the application to reduce delays in processing.

## Provide accurate information

Provide accurate information. See what happens if [you can't prove your identity or don't provide true information \(/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/providing-accurate-information\)](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/providing-accurate-information).

## Identity documents

Provide the pages of your current passport showing your photo, personal details, and passport issue and expiry dates.

Also provide:

- a national identity card, if you have one
- proof of change of name.

Documents that prove a change of name include:

- a marriage or divorce certificate
- change of name documents from an Australian Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages, or the relevant overseas authority
- documents that show other names you have been known by.

### Study documents

The documents you need for your application are listed under ‘Evidence to attach to your application’ on Meeting the [Temporary Graduate visa study requirement \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/meeting-the-temporary-graduate-visa-subclass-485-study-requirement\)](#).

### English language requirement documents

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- The United Kingdom
- The United States of America
- Canada
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- The Republic of Ireland.

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#### Acceptable minimum scores – Test taken on or after 7 August 2025

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Listening	162	5.5
Reading	162	5.5
Writing	162	5.5
Speaking	162	5.5

Holders of British National (BNO) or Hong Kong passports must have scored one of the following in the 12 months before the date of application.

#### Acceptable minimum scores – Test taken on or after 7 August 2025 – Holders of British National (BNO) or

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Acceptable minimum scores – Test taken on or before 6 August 2025 - Holders of British National (BNO) o

Test Sub-skill	CAE / C1 Advanced	IELTS
Overall	169	6
Listening	154	5
Reading	154	5
Writing	154	5
Speaking	154	5

Health insurance documents

You must prove that you have adequate health insurance in Australia. Provide:

- a signed letter from a health insurance provider
- a Medicare card or proof of your enrolment with Medicare
- evidence of health insurance.

Character documents

You and any other applicants aged 16 years or over must provide evidence that you applied for an Australian Federal Police (AFP) check within the 12 month period ending the day before you submit your visa application.

This means:

- you must not apply for the AFP check on the same day as your visa application
- you must apply for the AFP check no earlier than 12 months before and no later than the day before your visa application date.

We only accept complete disclosure National Police Certificates (Immigration/Citizenship – Australia Name Check Only) issued by the Australian Federal Police (<https://www.afp.gov.au/what-we-do/services/criminal-records/national-police-checks>).

We do not accept:

- standard disclosure certificates
- national police certificates issued by Australian state or territory police, or
- certificates from any other organisation

Note: the AFP National Police Checks system may take up to 24 hours to generate a receipt following submission. The AFP application submission confirmation page can be saved and used as evidence of the date you applied for the AFP check.

You must complete and provide:

- [Form 80 – Personal particulars for character assessment \(596KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/80.pdf](#))
- [Form 1221 Additional personal particulars information \(331KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/1221.pdf](#))

If requested, you may also need to provide:

- an overseas police certificate from each country you have lived in for a total of 12 months or more in the last 10 years since turning 16, including your home country
- military service records or discharge papers if you served in the armed forces of any country.

For more information, see [character requirements for visas](#) ([/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/character](#)).

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## Tell us you are getting help

To nominate someone to:

- receive your correspondence, use [Form 956A Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient \(301KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/956a.pdf](#))
- provide immigration assistance, use [Form 956 Appointment of a registered migration agent, legal practitioner or exempt person \(308KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/956.pdf](#)).

Upload your written notification or your forms to [ImmiAccount](#) ([/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/overview](#)).

## Partner documents

Provide your partner's:

- identity documents
- character documents
- documents about other family members, if applicable.

If you are married, provide your marriage certificate or other evidence that your marriage is valid in Australia.

If you are a de facto partner, provide proof of your de facto relationship.

## Additional proof of a de facto relationships

In addition to documents proving your relationship provide evidence that:

- you have been in your de facto relationship for at least 12 months before you applied for this visa, or
- if applicable, provide evidence that your relationship is registered by a participating Australian state or territory.

## Dependants under 18 documents

For every dependant 18 years old or younger who is applying with you, provide:

- copies of birth certificates or the family book showing the names of both parents of all your dependent children
- copies of the adoption paper, if applicable.

## Parental responsibility documents

You must get consent for any applicant under 18 years of age to migrate to Australia from anyone who:

- has a legal right to decide where the child lives and
- is not coming to Australia with the child.

They must complete either:

- [Form 1229 Consent form to grant an Australian visa to a child under the age of 18 years \(276KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/1229.pdf](#))
- a statutory declaration giving their consent for the child to visit Australia on this visa.

Alternatively, you can show us:

- an Australian court order that allows your child to migrate to Australia, or



- that the laws of your home country allow them to migrate.

Include:

- an identity document that shows the signature and photo of the person who completed the form or declaration, such as a passport or driver's licence
- adoption papers or other court documents if applicable.

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## Dependants over 18 documents

To include your child who is over 18 in your visa application, they must be:

- over 18 years of age but not yet turned 23, and dependent on you or your partner, or
- over 23 years of age and unable to earn a living to support themselves due to physical or cognitive limitations and dependent on you or your partner.

If your child is likely to turn 23 while your application is being processed, you will need to provide evidence they are dependent on you due to disability.

Provide:

- a copy of their birth certificate to prove their relationship to you
- documents about their other relationships, if applicable
- identity documents
- character documents.

You must also provide proof the child is dependent on you.

- proof of your relationship with the dependant such as a birth certificate or adoption papers
- a completed [Form 47a Details of a child or other dependent family member aged 18 years or over \(307KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/47a.pdf](#))
- proof of financial dependency such as bank statements, money transfers and rent receipts
- if the child is aged 23 or is likely to turn 23 while your application is being processed, you must also provide a report from a qualified medical practitioner that states they are dependent on you or your partner due to the total or partial loss of their bodily or mental functions.

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## Prepare your documents

### Translate

Have all non-English documents translated into English.

Provide original and translated documents in your application.

Translators in Australia must be accredited by the [National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters](https://www.naati.com.au/) (<https://www.naati.com.au/>).

Translators outside Australia do not have to be accredited. But on each translation, they must include their:

- full name
- address and telephone number
- qualifications and experience in the language they are translating.

These details must be in English.

Note: You do not need to have any documents certified

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### Scan or photograph

Scan or photograph all documents (English and non-English) in colour.

The scans and photos must be clear.

If a document is more than one page, save it all as one file.

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### Step 3

## Apply for the visa

You must apply for this visa online.

If you are having problems lodging your application, see [common issues and error messages](/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online/common-issues-and-error-messages) (</help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online/common-issues-and-error-messages>).

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### Provide accurate information

Provide accurate information. See what happens [if you can't prove your identity or don't provide true information](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/providing-accurate-information) (</help-support/meeting-our-requirements/providing-accurate-information>).

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### Apply online

1. Create or login to [ImmiAccount](https://online.immi.gov.au/lusc/login) (<https://online.immi.gov.au/lusc/login>)
2. [Attach documents](/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online#content-index-2) (</help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online#content-index-2>)
3. Have family applications processed together. Each family member must still have their Visa Application Charge paid and documents attached to their application

4. [Pay the Visa Application Charge \(/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online/how-to-pay\)](/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online/how-to-pay). We will not process your application until you pay the charge.

When you submit your application you must pay for you and your family members or your application will not be valid.

Note:

- choose visa stream carefully - it is not possible to make changes after you apply
- a valid application must be made within the eligibility timeframe. Late applications cannot be accepted
- applications are received Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) (or Australian Eastern daylight standard time (AEDST) when applicable.

When you submit your application you must attach the following information:

- evidence of successful course completion
- evidence of the required level of English
- evidence all applicants over the age of 16 years have applied for an Australian Federal Police check. See [character requirements for visas \(/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/character\)](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/character)
- evidence of adequate health insurance for all applicants.

If you have a technical problem with your ImmiAccount [\(/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online\)](/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online) or online application see [how to resolve error messages when submitting online \(/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online/common-issues-and-error-messages\)](/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online/common-issues-and-error-messages)

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#### Step 4

## After you apply

We will let you know when we have received your application and documents. See what you can and must do after you apply.

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### Status updates

We cannot give status updates while your application is within standard processing timeframes.

Check [ImmiAccount \(/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online\)](/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online) for any information requests.

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### Travel after you apply

You can be in or outside Australia (but not in immigration clearance) when we decide on your visa application.

## Health exams

Find out the [examinations you need](/help-support/meeting-our-requirements/health/what-health-examinations-you-need) and how you can arrange them. Arranging examinations before you apply may lead to a faster decision.

You can attach further supporting documents in [ImmiAccount](/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online).

You should provide any requested information within the specified timeframe. We can make a decision on your application once the timeframe has passed.

## Attach more information

You can attach further supporting documents in [ImmiAccount](/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online).

You should provide any requested information within the specified timeframe. We can make a decision on your application once the timeframe has passed.

## Stay lawful

Make sure you stay lawful by holding a valid visa while we process your application.

When you applied for this visa, you were granted a bridging visa. If your current visa expires before we decide on your application, your bridging visa will allow you to stay lawfully in Australia while we process your application.

Do not cancel your current visa. If you do, you will be staying in Australia unlawfully.

Learn more about [visa expiry](/visas/visa-about-to-expire).

## Add family

You may be able to add your dependent child to your application for this visa before we make a decision.

You will need to:

- complete [Form 1436 Adding an additional applicant after lodgement \(481KB PDF\)](/form-listing/forms/1436.pdf) with a clear statement to add the child to your 485 application
- attach all supporting documents including the child's passport, birth certificate and documents to prove your relationship and custody.

Your family can also apply to join you in Australia as a [subsequent entrant](#) after the visa is granted. See [when you have this visa](/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/graduate-work#When).

## Newborn children

If your child is born after you apply but before we make a decision on your visa, then your child is considered to have made the same visa application as you.

You must tell us as soon as possible and give us:

- a copy of the child's birth certificate
- a completed [Form 1022 Notification of changes in circumstances \(172KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/1022.pdf](#))
- copies of all supporting documents including the child's passport if available.

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## Mistakes on your application

Let us know as soon as you can if you made a mistake on your application.

Complete [Form 1023 Notification of incorrect answers \(168KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/1023.pdf](#))

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## Help with your application

Let us know if you no longer want someone to:

- receive your correspondence - complete [Form 956A Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient \(301KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/956a.pdf](#))
- provide immigration advice - complete [Form 956 Appointment of a registered migration agent, legal practitioner or exempt person \(308KB PDF\)](#) ([/form-listing/forms/956.pdf](#)).

Upload your written notification or your forms to [ImmiAccount](#) ([/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/overview](#)).

For more information see [Who can help you with your application](#) ([/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/overview](#)).

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## Tell us if things change

Things you need to let us know about after you have applied include:

- changes to your phone number, email, address or passport
- changes to your relationship status
- the birth of a child
- you want to withdraw your application.

See how to [tell us if your situation changes](#) ([/change-in-situation](#))

## Step 5

## Visa outcome

You can be in or outside Australia (but not in immigration clearance), when we decide on your visa application.

If you are a subsequent entrant (family member), you can be in or outside Australia when we decide on your visa application.

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### If your visa application is approved

If we grant your visa, we will tell you:

- your visa grant number
- your visa grant date
- your visa conditions.

Keep a copy of the email with you when in Australia.

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### If your visa application is refused

If we refuse your visa we will let you know by email. We will tell you why we refused and whether you have a right to a review of the decision.

We will not refund the Visa Application Charge if we refuse your application.

## When you have this visa

- Now you have your visa ([#haveThisVisa-index-0](#))
  - Coming to Australia ([#haveThisVisa-index-1](#))
  - In Australia ([#haveThisVisa-index-2](#))
  - Leaving Australia ([#haveThisVisa-index-3](#))
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# Now you have your visa

Now that you have your Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) Post-Higher Education Work visa, you may want to consider withdrawing any other undecided visa applications you have lodged with us. Failure to withdraw any undecided applications may result in you being granted a different visa.

To withdraw any other visa application, you must tell us in writing. More information is available on our website at [You want to withdraw an application \(/change-in-situation/withdraw-visa-application\)](#).

## Coming to Australia

### Before you leave

#### Check your travel documents

You must have:

- a valid visa to enter Australia
- a valid passport or other travel document.

### At the border

#### Completing an Incoming Passenger Card

All people arriving Australia must complete the Incoming Passenger Card ([https://www.abf.gov.au/entering-and-leaving-australia/crossing-the-border/at-the-border/incoming-passenger-card-\(ipc\)](https://www.abf.gov.au/entering-and-leaving-australia/crossing-the-border/at-the-border/incoming-passenger-card-(ipc))). You will be given this card onboard.

#### Leaving the airport faster

We have an automated process that uses facial recognition technology and your ePassport. You might be able to leave the airport faster if you use [SmartGate](https://www.abf.gov.au/smartgates) (<https://www.abf.gov.au/smartgates>).

## In Australia

### What you can do when you have this visa

- live, study and work in Australia temporarily

You must find your own employment while on this visa.

### What you must do on this visa

You and your family members must obey all Australian laws.

See your conditions in [VEVO \(/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/\)](#) or your visa grant letter.

### Tell us if things change

Things you need to let us know about when you have this visa include:

- changes to your phone number, email, address or passport
- changes to your relationship status
- the birth of a child.

See how to let us know if there is a [change in your situation \(/change-in-situation\)](#).

## See how long you can stay

The visa starts on the date we grant the visa.

To see when you must leave, use VEVO.

## Staying longer

You may be eligible to apply for a [Second Post-Higher Education \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/second-post-study-work\)](#) visa. To do this you must live, work and/or study in a regional area while holding your first Post-Higher Education Work or Post-Study work visa. That visa must have been granted on the basis of a degree or higher from an Australian institution located in a regional area.

You might be eligible for other skilled work visas. Use our visa finder to find out [options for work \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder/work\)](#).

## Travelling on your visa

This visa is granted with multiple entries. You can travel outside Australia and return as many times as you want while your visa is valid.

Time spent outside Australia does not extend your visa.

See [your conditions \(/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/see-your-visa-conditions?product=485-34\)](#).

## Working

To see your conditions for work, use [VEVO \(/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/\)](#).

You are protected by Australian workplace law. See your [workplace rights and entitlements \(https://www.fairwork.gov.au/how-we-will-help/templates-and-guides/fact-sheets/rights-and-obligations/visa-holders-and-migrant-workers-workplace-rights-and-entitlements\)](#).

## Bringing family

Members of the family unit can also apply to join you in Australia as a subsequent entrant after we grant your visa. They can be in or outside Australia when they apply (but must not be in immigration clearance).

Family members applying for this visa (including Replacement stream) as subsequent entrants must [apply online in ImmiAccount \(/help-support/applying-online-or-on-paper/online\)](#). For more information see [step by step \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/graduate-work#HowTo\)](#).

Visa holders must arrive in Australia by their Initial Entry Date.

## Newborn children

Find out what to do if [your child is born after you apply or when you hold your visa \(/change-in-situation/had-a-baby\)](#).



# Leaving Australia

## Before you leave

### Check your travel documents

You must have a valid passport or other travel document to leave Australia.

## At the border

### Leaving the airport faster

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## After you leave

### Getting your superannuation

You are likely to have some money in a superannuation fund if you worked in Australia and you are paid AUD450 or more before tax in a month.

- aged 18 years or older
- paid AUD450 or more before tax in a month.

See [how to access your super](/entering-and-leaving-australia/leaving-australia) (</entering-and-leaving-australia/leaving-australia>).

### Proving you have been to Australia

To get proof of your travel in and out of Australia [request your international movement records](/entering-and-leaving-australia/request-movement-records) (</entering-and-leaving-australia/request-movement-records>).

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