



Student Visas

Student Visas can support you on matters related to your Student visa status. Student Visa Advisers can offer guidance to prospective and current students. We can help you ensure that you meet UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) requirements and rules. Read our Statement of service.

We recommend that all Student visa holders read the following important information to ensure they understand the conditions of their visa:

- Student visa essential information
- Working during your studies

## How we support our students

We provide information, support and advice on:

- Student visa
- Changes to your course and visa implications
- Working in the UK during your studies
- <u>Dependant of a Student visa</u>
- eVisa
- Standard Visitor visa for short-term studies
- Graduate route visa
- <u>Working in the UK after your studies</u> please note that we provide general information and details of where to get further advice regarding working after studies

We are also able to produce a number of letters for students, please refer to <u>this page</u> for more information.

We do **not** advise on the following:

- Absences of study in term time although we cannot approve absences in term time, please see our website for <u>Attendance Monitoring</u> information for details about attendance monitoring
- EU Settlement although we do not advise on EU Settlement, we provide some information and signpost to resources on our website for <u>EU, EEA and Swiss</u> nationals

- Schengen visas <u>find out more about Schengen visas from the UK Council for Internal</u> Student Affairs (UKCISA)
- Visas for other countries
- UK citizenship, UK settlement or other types of UK immigration permission including family visas for family members of UK nationals
- Fee status <u>read the UKCISA advice on fee status</u>. The University admissions team assesses your fee status as part of the admissions process. If you are a registered student and believe your fee status has changed, please contact your Faculty Office so that they can refer your case for re-assessment

# **General information for living in Bristol**

Although we cannot advise on the following, we have included the information below as resources that could help whilst living and preparing to live in Bristol.

### **Cost of Living**

<u>Citizen's Advice</u> <u>NUMBEO Cost of Living in Bristo</u>l

Save the Student rent calculator

UCAS Student Budget Calculator

UoB Student Support Living Expenses calculator

#### Household resources

<u>Love Food Hate Waste</u> <u>Save the Studentadvice on bills</u> <u>Trussell Trust – Find a Foodbank</u>

Please read <u>International Supermarkets in Bristol (PDF, 163kB)</u> to try and find some of your favourite foods from home!

# How we support staff

We support colleagues to ensure that we comply with our Student visa (Previously Tier 4) sponsor licence duties. Please do not give visa advice to students - contact us on <u>student-visas@bristol.ac.uk</u>.

### Contact us

Find out how to contact us.

## **Global Lounge Events**

Global Lounge celebrates various significant dates in the global calendar, such as Lunar New Year, Diwali, Day of the Dead and Thanksgiving. All of these events are open to all students and staff across the University – and the majority of them are free to attend and include free refreshments and entertainment.

To view all upcoming events, please see the <u>Global Lounge</u> website.

Please see the <u>International Students</u> page for general advice and support.

#### Fraud and scams

We are aware that some international students have been specifically targeted by criminals pretending to be from a legitimate organisation (such as UKVI). They telephone students to demand money and claim that, if they are not paid quickly, there will be damaging consequences.

UKVI will never contact you by telephone to ask for money.

We are aware of fraudulent letters from the Home Office being sent threatening to revoke students visas and asking them to contact the UKVI regarding their attendance. If you receive a letter from the UKVI regarding cancelling your visa where you are not expecting this please contact us before responding to the letter so we can help identify if it is genuine.

See the following for more information and advice about how to protect yourself: UKVI's Fraud, tricks and scams guidance, UKCISA's Frauds and scams page and UKVI Action Fraud Advice (PDF, 132kB).

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