

Services for International Students

1. **Visa Regulations:** Students shall be responsible to obtain and maintain a valid visa for the duration of their studies. This includes ensuring that the visa is obtained in a timely manner, abiding by the conditions of the visa, and renewing or extending the visa as necessary to remain in legal status. However, NIO may provide support and guidance to students regarding visa application procedures and requirements. International students can apply visa using the following Ministry of Interior's Online Visa System at <https://visa.nadra.gov.pk/student-visa/>.
2. **Out-Pass Permission for International Hostelites:** International Hostelites need to obtain a formal permission "Out-Pass" from Adm Dte Hostel Branch to go out of campus. Obtaining permission "Out-pass" is implemented for safeguarding the well-being of our students. By maintaining their information on record, university can promptly address any unforeseen situations. The Student can use the link (<https://forms.gle/BHH5KrWsAqrVnKQ8A>) to generate Out-pass permission request. Student will require e-mail addresses of their Head of Dept & Principal to submit the online request.
3. **Mobile SIM Card:** SIM cards of any local service provider (Jazz, Ufone, Zong & Telenor etc.) can be bought from any service provider or their franchise in nearby local market. Students will require passport as proof of ID and copy of visa to purchase a sim card.
4. **Phone Device Registration:** If you use a foreign mobile phone with a Pakistani SIM card, it will work for 120 days. Within that time, you must pay a tax and register it, or it will be cut off. Once your phone is blocked, you will only be able to access emergency numbers. The applicant must apply for 'temporary registration' by entering their credentials and device IMEIs via PTA's Device Identification Registration and Blocking System (DIRBS) at <https://dirbs.pta.gov.pk/>. If you wish to continue using your foreign phone in Pakistan after the expiry of 120-day period, you must pay applicable mobile phone taxes and register your foreign mobile phone in DIRBS.
5. **Opening a Bank Account:** On-campus branches of two banks (Habib Bank Limited & Askari Commercial Bank) are available for students to open their bank accounts. To initiate the process, students may visit the on-campus branches and provide the following documents:
 - a. NUST Admission Letter
 - b. HEC scholarship letter (if applicable)
 - c. Visa and Passport copies
 - d. NIO Bank Opening Letter (if required)
6. **Medical Service:** NUST Medical Centre (NMC) is an on-campus healthcare facility that offers round-the-clock medical care to all students. The medical staff is trained and

equipped to handle routine and emergency situations. Students can access NMC anytime or contact their helpline for assistance (051-90851666). Additionally, an ambulance service is available at all times to respond to emergencies swiftly. Upon visiting NMC, students receive outpatient medical care, and if necessary, arrangements can be made for referral to affiliated hospitals for further treatment. It is recommended that students consult with NMC before seeking private medical treatment.

7. **Support Services for International Students:** NUST International Office plays a pivotal role in ensuring a comprehensive support system for international students at NUST. Beyond administrative functions such as guiding students through joining processes, this office serves as a central hub for academic integration, cultural adaptation, and overall wellbeing of international students. Moreover, NIO acts as a liaison between international students and various university departments, helping them navigate through administrative procedures and facilitating access to essential services. More information on NIO is available at <https://nio.nust.edu.pk/>.
8. **Maintaining contact with Embassy:** It is crucial for international students to maintain contact with their embassy for various reasons. Firstly, embassies serve as a vital support system for citizens studying abroad, offering assistance with legal matters, consular services, and emergencies. They provide valuable resources and guidance on visa regulations, immigration issues, and cultural adaptation. Additionally, embassies can offer consular protection in case of emergencies, such as natural disasters or political unrest. By staying in touch with their embassy, international students can access essential services, stay informed about their rights and responsibilities, and receive assistance when needed, ensuring a safer and more secure experience while studying in a foreign country.
9. **Mailing Address & Social Media Accounts of NUST International Office.**

Mailing Address: 2nd Floor, Central Library, National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST) H-12, Islamabad, Pakistan

Web Address: <https://nio.nust.edu.pk/> **Social**

Media Accounts:



<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100088816585982>



<https://www.linkedin.com/company/nust-international-office/>



<https://www.instagram.com/nustinternationaloffice/>