

# **Guide for applications: Student Route Visa - Outside the UK**

**International Student Support Team**

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This application guidance is for University of York prospective and current students applying for a Student Visa (formerly known as Tier 4) from outside the UK!

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# Before we start!



Please be aware this guidance is for applications  
**submitted outside the UK only!**

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## Where are you planning to live?

England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland

Jersey, Guernsey or the Isle of Man

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### Note:

Make sure you select 'England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland', as that is where York is.

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## Do you have a current EU, EEA or Swiss passport?

The EEA includes the EU countries and Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway

Yes  No

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### Note:

If you have a current EU, EEA or Swiss passport, you can use the [UK Immigration: ID Check App](#) to scan your face and the biometric chip in your passport.

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## Select a country to provide your biometrics

To complete your application, you must provide your biometrics (fingerprints and facial photograph). This may involve attending a visa application centre (VAC) operated by one of our commercial partners.

We need to know which commercial partner will manage your biometrics appointment. This is so we can transfer you to the correct website after you have submitted your visa application.

Enter the country where you would like to provide your biometrics. This will usually be the country you are in now. If there is no VAC in your selected country, you will be able to choose an alternative location.

If you believe you are unable to provide your biometrics at any location, you should still choose a location. You will then be told how to proceed.

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### Note:

You should select the country where you will make your visa application. This is will usually be the country where you live.

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## Check available visa application centre locations

- The continued international effort to limit the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has resulted in the disruption of services at some of the UK's visa application centres. To check the availability of services at your preferred application centre you can find more information by visiting the website of our commercial partner [VFS Global](#) who operates our centres around the world.

You can find all VAC locations by checking the '[Find a visa application centre](#)' page on GOV.UK. They are also listed on our commercial partners' websites.

You will not be able to change the location after you have submitted your application.

There may not be a VAC in your preferred location. Try an alternative location if this is the case.

You must select a location even if you believe you are unable to provide your biometrics at any location.

China

- I have identified the location where I will provide my biometrics (or I am unable to provide my biometrics at any location).
- I want to choose a different location.

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### Note:

If it is not possible to provide your biometrics in the country you have selected, then you will be redirected to another country. If it is difficult for you to travel to the redirected country, you will be able to return to this page and select a different country that you are able to travel to.

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## Student visa

Use this form to apply from outside the UK for a Student visa.

You cannot add family members ('dependants') to this application. You must complete a [separate form](#) for your dependants.

### Before you apply

Before you start your application, [read the guidance](#) on:

- eligibility
- how to apply and required documents
- fees

How long it takes you to complete the application will depend on your particular situation. You will be able to save your application and come back to it at another time if you need to.

If you are inactive for 25 minutes you will be automatically logged out.

### How we use your data

The Home Office will use the personal information you provide to decide whether to grant your application. We may also share your information with other public and private sector organisations in the UK and overseas. For more detail please see the [Privacy Notice for the Border, Immigration and Citizenship system](#). This also sets out your rights under the Data Protection Act 2018 and explains how you can access your personal information and complain if you have concerns about how we are using it.

[Apply now](#)

## Note:


You cannot use this online application form for any family members that you want to bring to the UK as your Student Dependants.

They must now complete a separate Dependant application form after you have made your Student Visa application. However, you can add a note that you are bringing dependant to the UK during your study. You can include some of their key information. Such as their name and date of birth, etc.



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## Register an email

Enter an email address and password so you can save your answers. You will then be emailed a unique link to let you log back in to your application at a later point, if needed.

Throughout your application, you can select the option to 'Return to this application later' in order to re-send the link to your latest saved application.

Email address


Create a password

Your password must be 10 characters or longer and must contain at least 3 of the following:

- uppercase letter
- lowercase letter
- a number
- a symbol

Repeat your password

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## Additional email

Add your other email address

Who does this email address belong to?

You

Someone else

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### Note:

Make sure your password is secure and one which you will remember.  
**Do not share your password with anyone.**

### Do not use:

- a school email address that you will be locked out of;
- an agent's email address;
- an email address which anyone else has access to.

Do use the same email address which you use to communicate with the University.

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## Your telephone number

We may contact you by telephone if we have any further questions about your application, or about your immigration status after your application has been decided.

You must notify us immediately if the contact telephone number(s) you provide as part of this application change.

Provide your telephone number

Only include numbers, and for international numbers include the country code. You will be able to add any additional telephone numbers after you click 'Save and continue'.

Where do you use this telephone number?

You can select more than one option

For use whilst in the UK

For use whilst out of the UK

Select whether this is your home, mobile or work telephone number

You can select more than one option

Home telephone number

Business telephone number

Mobile telephone number

[Save and continue](#)

[Return to this application later](#)

### Note:

- Provide a telephone number which you have access to and indicate how the Home Office may contact you.

- Throughout the application you will have the chance to save your answers, review and edit your information and to log out and return at a later time.

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## Scholarships

Do you have a Marshall, Chevening or commonwealth scholarship?

Check the [postgraduate scholarship guidance](#), if you do not know.

Yes  No

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### Note:

- Only select 'yes' if you have been awarded one of the scholarships listed here.

- Answer 'no' for all other awards and if you are not the recipient of any scholarship awards.

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## Your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies

Do you have a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) number?

Yes  No

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### Note:

- You cannot apply without a valid CAS number.
- Copy and paste your CAS number from the CAS email you received from the University.
- If you are applying following a refusal you must be issued with a new CAS before you can reapply.

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## Your name

Enter your name as shown on your passport or travel document. Use the English spelling of your name where provided.

You must tell us your full name.

### Given name(s)

Your given name is usually your first name. If you have middle names, include these with your given name. If your name has a suffix (e.g. Jr), include this with your given name. If you have a patronymic name, include it with your given name. You must tell us all your given names.

### Family name

Your family name is the surname shared by your family.

[I do not have a current passport or travel document](#)

Save and continue

## Note:

- Answer these questions giving your name(s) as stated on the passport you will use to make the visa application.

- If you are planning on changing your name(s) it would be sensible to do this and obtain an updated passport before completing the visa application. You will need to update the University as well, if you have already provided your passport to us.

- See also the note on the left from UKVI.

If you do not have a passport or travel document use a biometric residence permit, immigration document or birth certificate. For recognised refugees, stateless persons or beneficiaries of humanitarian protection without these documents, enter the name by which the Home Office knows you.

[I do not have both a given and family name](#)

Enter your name(s)

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## Any other names

In addition to the names already provided, are you now or have you ever been known by another name?

You must provide all your names. For example, if you changed your name after marriage or have a different name that you use for professional purposes.

Yes  No

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## Your sex and relationship status

What is your sex, as shown in your passport or travel document?

Male

Female

Unspecified

What is your relationship status?

[I am unsure of my current relationship status](#)

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### Note:

- Answers this question as per the information on your passport.
- See also the note on the left from UKVI.

#### ▼ [I am unsure of my current relationship status](#)

'Single' means that you have never been married or in a civil partnership, and that you do not currently consider yourself in a relationship.

'Unmarried partnership' means that you currently consider yourself in a relationship but are not married or in a civil partnership.

- Single - includes those with partners, i.e. boyfriends, girlfriends.
- Unmarried partnership - "consider yourself in a long term relationship" referring to couples who have been living together for at least 2 years in a situation akin to marriage.

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## Your address

Address

Town/City

Province/Region/State

Postal code (if applicable)

Country

Is this address also your correspondence address?

We may use this address to contact you about your application, including after it has been decided.

Yes  No

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### Note:

- This should usually be your home address where you live and receive post (your correspondence address).
- If this is not the address where you want to receive post, answer 'no' to the question below and provide an alternative address for correspondence.



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## About this property

How long have you lived at this address?

Select a unit of time and enter a value

What is the ownership status of your home?

I own it

I rent it

Other

[Save and continue](#)

### Note:

- If you neither rent nor own your home, select 'Other' and provide more details; eg. "I live with my parents and they own the property."

Give more details about your living situation, such as who you live with and who owns the property

Maximum of 500 characters

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## Previous address history

You must provide the addresses that you have lived at in the past 2 years.

Is this a UK address?

You will be able to add details of any additional addresses once you save and continue.

Yes  No

When did you start living at this address?

Enter date in the format MM/YYYY

Month Year

When did you stop living at this address?

Enter date in the format MM/YYYY

Month Year

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## Other addresses in the past 2 years

Have you lived at any other addresses in the UK or abroad in the past 2 years?

Yes  No

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## Your passport

**!** You must use your passport or travel document to complete this section.

Passport number or travel document reference number

Issuing authority

On your passport or travel document this could also be referred to as 'country of issue' or 'place of issue'.

Issue date

Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY

Day Month Year

Expiry date

Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY

Day Month Year

  [Save and continue](#)

### Note:

- This information must match the passport which you will use in your visa application.

- If you are going to get a new passport it would be sensible to apply for the visa after you have your new travel document. You will need to update the University as well, if you have already provided your passport to us.

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## Your identity card

Do you have a valid national identity card?

This includes identity cards, issued from non-UK governments. This does not include driving licences. If you have an internal passport, provide the details here.

Yes  No

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### Note:

- If you answer 'yes' to this question you will be asked to provide more information.

**National identity card number**  
Provide the number as shown on your identity card

**Issuing authority**  
On your identity card, this could also be referred to as 'country of issue' or 'place of issue'.

**Issue date (if applicable)**  
Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY

Day Month Year

**Expiry date (if applicable)**  
Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY

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## Your nationality, country and date of birth

### Country of nationality

Enter your country of nationality or citizenship, as shown on your passport or travel document. If you have previous or additional nationalities or citizenships, you will be able to add these later in the application.

### Country of birth

### Place of birth

Enter your place of birth (for example, the city or province), as shown on your passport or travel document.

### Date of birth

For example, 31 3 2020

Day Month Year

Save and continue

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## Your other nationalities

Do you currently hold, or have you ever held, any other nationality or citizenship?

You must provide all the nationalities that you currently hold or have ever held.

Yes  No

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**Note:**

- If you answer 'yes' to this question you will be asked to provide more information.

**Country of other nationality**  
If you have additional nationalities, you will be able to add these later.

**Date held from**  
Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY  
If you are unsure of the exact date, provide the month and year  
Day Month Year

**Date held to**  
Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY  
If you are unsure of the exact date, provide the month and year  
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Confirm if you still hold this nationality  
 I still hold this nationality

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## Have you provided evidence of your English language ability in a previous application?

You must have been granted a visa or permission to stay after meeting the language requirement at level B1 or above. For example:

- scored level B1, B2, C1 or C2 on an [approved English language test](#) which assessed your reading, writing, speaking and listening skills
- have a degree which was taught in English
- have an English GCSE, A level or Scottish National 4 or 5, Higher, or Advanced Higher qualification
- if you were a student, your sponsor confirmed on your CAS that you met the required level

 Yes  No[Save and continue](#)[Return to this application later](#)[Show and edit answers](#)

### Note:

- If this is your first Student Visa application, then you should answer 'no'.

- If you have applied for Student (or Tier 4) leave before and your CAS included the results of one of the qualifications listed above then answer 'yes' here.

- If you have applied for Student (or Tier 4) leave before and your CAS stated that your sponsor had made their own assessment of your English Language ability, then answer 'yes' here.



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## Spoken language preference

We may have to talk to you about your application. Which language would you prefer to use?

English

Other

Save and continue

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### Note:

- If you choose a language other than English you will be asked to give more details about your preferred speaking language. However, you would still be expected to speak in English during a possible credibility interview.

#### Which language would you prefer to use?

Your choice of language cannot be guaranteed. You may be required to speak in English depending on the requirements of your visa.

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## People financially dependent on you

Does anyone rely on you for financial support?  
Include both those travelling with you and those who are not.

This could include:

- children under 18
- children over 18 who live with you at home
- children who you look after all the time
- older relatives who need you for accommodation or other support

Yes  No

[Will these dependants be included in my application?](#)

Information about these dependants will help us with your application but they will not be included in this visa application. They will need to apply separately if they want to be with you in the UK.

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## Note:

- If you answer 'yes' to this question you will be asked to provide more information. For more information about which family members can join you in the UK as your Student Dependants, please see the following link: [Student visa : Your partner and children - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

### About your dependant

You should use your dependant's passport, if they have one, to complete this section.

What is this person's relationship to you?

Given names

Family name

Date of birth

Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY

Day Month Year

Does this person currently live with you?

 Yes  No

Is this person travelling with you to the UK?

 Yes  No

The information entered about your dependants should be exactly as it appears on their passport, if they have one.

If your dependant will travel to the UK with you, you will be asked for further details of their nationality and passport\*

Country of nationality

Passport number

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## Give details about your first parent

Give details about 2 of your parents.

[What if I do not have my parents' details?](#)

What is this person's relationship to you?

Mother

Father

Given names

Family name

If they do not have both a given and family name, enter their name(s) in the Given names field.

Date of birth

Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY

Day Month Year

Country of nationality

Have they always had the same nationality?

Yes  No

**Save and continue**

### Note:

- Enter your parents' information exactly as it appears on their passport(s).
- You can click 'what if I do not have my parents' details' if you can't give your parents' details.

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## Give details about another parent

Give details about 2 of your parents.

[What if I do not have my parents' details?](#)

What is this person's relationship to you?

Mother

Father

Given names

Family name

If they do not have both a given and family name, enter their name(s) in the Given names field.

Date of birth

Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY

Day Month Year

Country of nationality

Have they always had the same nationality?

Yes  No

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### Note:

- Enter your parents' information exactly as it appears on their passport(s).

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## Family who live in the UK

Do you have any family in the UK?

This includes:

- immediate family - such as spouse, civil partner, parents or children
- grandparents or grandchildren
- your spouse or civil partner's family
- your child's spouse, civil partner or partner
- your partner, if you have lived with them for 2 out of the last 3 years

Yes  No

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Give as much information as possible about their status in the UK, including if:

- they are waiting for a decision on a visa
- they are exempt from immigration control
- they are not in the UK legally

Maximum of 500 characters

### Note:

- If you have any family members in the UK you will be asked to provide more information about them, including what immigration permission they hold.

- Depending on the answers you give, you will be asked to provide their passport number or more information about their situation.

## About your relative

Their relationship to you

Given names

Family name

Country of nationality

What permission do they have to be in the UK?

Ask your relative for the answer if you do not know it.

- They have a temporary visa
- They are in the UK permanently
- They do not have a visa and are not in the UK permanently
- I cannot contact my relative

Their passport number

Why can you not ask your relative?

Maximum of 500 characters

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## Note:

- As most students travel alone, you should select ' No'.

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## Travelling as part of an organised group

Will you be travelling to the UK as part of an organised group?

This include travel companies or sports, work, or study groups.

Yes  No

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## Travelling with another person

Will you be travelling to the UK with someone who is not your partner, spouse, or dependant?

Yes  No

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### Note:

- If you answer 'yes' to this question you will be asked to provide more information.

Who will you be travelling with to the UK?

If you are travelling with more than one person, you only need to list one name

Given names

Family name

Country of nationality

Relationship to you

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## Where you will stay in the UK

Do you know where you will be staying in the UK?

Yes  No

What address will you be staying at while in the UK?

You will be able to add details of any additional places you will be staying after you click 'Save and continue'

Enter a UK postcode

[Find UK address](#)

[Enter address manually](#)

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### Note:

- If you have applied for University of York managed accommodation but do not have the details of your address at the time that you will make your visa application then you can use the generic campus address.
- Enter YO10 5DD as the UK postcode and you will then be able to select the address.
- If you are arranging your own accommodation but do not know where you will stay when you arrive in the UK, answer 'no' and provide more details about where you will stay after you arrive. Refer to the UKVI note (highlighted) for more advice about the kind of information you should provide.

### Where do you plan to stay in the UK?

Give as much detail as possible of where you intend to stay, for example in a hotel, private housing, or with friends. Include the names of anyone else you will live with and their relationship to you.

Maximum of 500 characters



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## Other places you will stay while in the UK

Will you be staying anywhere else in the UK?

This includes staying in:

- a hotel or bed and breakfast (B&B)
- accommodation provided by an employer
- a private home with friends or work colleagues
- accommodation provided by the educational institution where you will be studying
- any other type of accommodation

Yes  No

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### Note:

- If you will go straight to your accommodation answer 'no', but if you will arrive before you can get into your housing, please provide as much information as possible about where you will stay when you first arrive to the UK. This might be a hotel or the address of a friend.

- If you select 'yes', you will be asked to provide the following information.

**i** Tell us about where you plan to stay in the UK. You will be able to add another place on the next page.

Where are you planning to stay in the UK?

If you are staying with friends, other relatives, or in another person's home, give their full name.

[▶ I am not sure how to enter details about my stay](#)

Enter the address for where you are staying

This must be in the UK.

Town/City

Postcode

When will you arrive there?

Provide your best estimate. Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY

Day Month Year

When will you leave there?

Day Month Year

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## UK travel history

Have you been to the UK in the past 10 years?

Yes  No

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### Note:

- If you answer 'yes' to this question you will be asked to provide more information.
- If you travelled to the UK more than 10 years ago, you can answer 'no'.



How many times have you been to the UK in the past 10 years?

If you are unsure of the exact number, provide an estimation. You will be asked to provide details for up to 3 of your most recent times in the UK.

## Your most recent time in the UK

Select why you were in the UK:

- Tourism (including visiting family and friends)
- Work
- Study
- Transit (travelling through the country)
- Other reason

Date you arrived in the UK

Enter date in the format MM YYYY

Month Year

How long were you in the UK?

Select a unit of time and enter a value

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## UK visa applications

Have you been issued with a UK visa in the past 10 years?

Yes  No

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### Note:

- If you answer 'yes' to this question you will be asked to provide more information.

Date of visa issue

Enter date in the format MM YYYY

Month Year

- This could be any visa you have been issued for the UK, even if you did not use it; so for example, if you were granted a Student Visa but deferred your studies and did not come to the UK.

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## Travel to Australia, Canada, New Zealand, USA, Switzerland or the European Economic Area

How many times have you visited the following places in the past 10 years?

- Australia
- Canada
- New Zealand
- USA
- Switzerland
- European Economic Area (do not include travel to the UK)

[Which countries are part of the European Economic Area \(EEA\)?](#)

Zero

Once

2 to 5 times

6 or more times

[Save and continue](#)

## Note:

### Which countries are part of the European Economic Area (EEA)?

- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Republic of Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Iceland
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Liechtenstein
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden

- If you answer 'yes' to this question you will be asked to provide more information for each country visited (not shown).

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## World travel history

Have you been to any other countries in the past 10 years?

Do not include visits to the UK, USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Switzerland or the European Economic Area.

[Which countries are part of the European Economic Area \(EEA\)?](#)

Yes  No

[Save and continue](#)

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**Date of visit**  
Enter date in the format MM YYYY

Month Year

**How long was your visit?**  
Select a unit of time and enter a value

## Note:

- You need to provide details of every trip you have made to any of these countries, even if it has been more than once.
- If the form does not permit you to enter details of all travel then include a covering letter with any further trips which you have not been able to include here.
- You will be asked to provide more information if you answered 'yes'.

## Details of your word travel history

**!** This is about your most recent visit to either Australia, Canada, New Zealand, USA, Switzerland or the European Economic Area

Which country did you visit?

What was the reason for your visit?

- Tourism (including visiting family and friends)
- Work
- Study
- Transit (travelling through the country)
- Other reason

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## Your planned travel information

Date you plan to arrive in the UK

Enter date in the format DD MM YYYY

Day Month Year

[Why is this information important?](#)

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### Note:

#### ▶ [Why is this information important?](#)

If your application is successful, you will be granted a visa to enter the UK. The visa will only be valid for entry to the UK for 30 days. If your visa expires before you travel to the UK, you will have to apply for a replacement visa.

After you arrive in the UK, you will collect a [biometric residence permit](#), which will show that you have permission to remain in the UK.

- You should try and be as accurate as possible with this information since it will affect the start date of your temporary travel visa.

- **You cannot enter the UK more than a month before your course start date.**

- **If you enter the UK before the start date of your travel visa, you may not be permitted to start your course.**

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## Immigration history

For either the UK or any other country, have you ever been:

- Refused a visa
- Refused entry at the border
- Refused permission to stay or remain
- Refused asylum
- Deported
- Removed
- Required to leave
- Excluded or banned from entry

Yes  No

Save and continue

### Note:

- You must answer this question fully and honestly. Failure to do so could result in the application being refused on grounds of deception.
- This does not include if you have had a previous UK visa cancelled by Home Office UKVI.
- If you answer 'yes' then you will be asked to provide more information. (See next Slide)

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## Details of an immigration problem

Give details of what happened

You will be able to add details of any further immigration problems after you click 'Save and continue'

- An application for a visa was refused
- I was refused entry at the border
- I was refused permission to stay or remain
- I was refused asylum
- I was deported
- I was removed
- I was required to leave
- I was excluded or banned from entry

When did this immigration problem happen?

Enter date in the format MM YYYY

Month Year

Country

Give more details of what happened

When did this immigration problem happen?

Enter date in the format MM YYYY

Maximum of 500 characters

### Note:

- You will only see this question if you have answered 'yes' to the previous question, **Immigration history**.

- You must give as much detail as possible.



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## Breach of UK immigration law

Have you ever:

- entered the UK illegally
- remained in the UK beyond the validity of your visa or permission to stay
- breached the conditions of your leave, for example, worked without permission or received public funds when you did not have permission
- given false information when applying for a visa, leave to enter, or leave to remain
- breached UK immigration law in any other way

 Yes  No[Save and continue](#)

### Note:

- If you answer 'yes' to this question you will be asked to provide more information.

- You must provide full details of any immigration breach.

### Give details of what happened

You will be able to add details of any additional breaches after you select 'Save and continue'

- I entered the UK illegally
- I remained in the UK beyond the validity of my visa/permission to stay
- I breached the conditions of my leave
- I gave false information when applying for a visa, leave to enter or remain
- Other

### When did this breach of UK immigration law happen?

Enter the date in the format MM/YYYY

Day Month Year

### Give details of what happened

Maximum of 500 characters

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## Convictions and other penalties

At any time have you ever had any of the following, in the UK or in another country?

Only select one answer at a time. If you need to give more than one answer, you can do so on another page.

- A criminal conviction
- A penalty for a driving offence, for example disqualification for speeding or no motor insurance
- An arrest or charge for which you are currently on, or awaiting trial
- A caution, warning, reprimand or other out-of-court penalty

- A civil court judgment against you, for example for non payment of debt, bankruptcy proceedings or anti-social behaviour
- A civil penalty issued under UK immigration law
- No, I have never had any of these

You must tell us about spent as well as unspent convictions. You must tell us about any absolute or conditional discharges you have received for an offence.

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### Note:

- You must answer these questions fully and honestly.

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## War crimes

You must read all of the information on this page before answering.

[War crimes](#)

In either peace or war time have you ever been involved in, or suspected of involvement in, war crimes, crimes against humanity, or genocide?

Yes  No

I have read all of the information about war crimes, including the guidance

Save and continue

### Note:

- Click on the link above to expand the information on screen.

- You will need to read this information (not shown) before answering the question and ticking the declaration.

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## Terrorist activities, organisations and views

You must read all of the information on this page before answering.

### Terrorist activities

Have you ever been involved in, supported or encouraged terrorist activities in any country?

Yes  No

### Terrorist organisations

Have you ever been a member of, or given support to, an organisation which has been concerned in terrorism?

Yes  No

Have you, by any means or medium, expressed views that justify or glorify terrorist violence or that may encourage others to commit terrorist or other serious criminal acts?

Yes  No

I have read all of the information about terrorist activities, organisations and views, including the guidance

Save and continue

### Note:

- Click on the each of the links to expand the information on screen.

- You will need to read all the information (not shown) before answering the questions and ticking the declaration.

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## Extremist organisations and views

You must read all of the information on this page before answering.

[Extremist organisations](#)

Have you ever been a member of, or given support to, an organisation which is or has been concerned with extremism?

Yes  No

[Extremist views](#)

Have you, by any means or medium, expressed any extremist views?

Yes  No

I have read all of the information about extremist organisations and views, including the guidance

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### Note:

- Click on each of the links to expand the information on screen.

- You will need to read all the information (not shown) before answering the questions and ticking the declaration.

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## Person of good character

Have you, as a part of your employment or otherwise, undertaken paid or unpaid activity on behalf of a non-UK government which you know to be dangerous to the interests or national security of the UK or its allies?

Yes  No

Have you ever engaged in any other activities which might indicate that you may not be considered to be a person of good character?

Yes  No

Is there any other information about your character or behaviour which you would like to make us aware of?

Yes  No

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### Note:

- Answer fully and honestly.

- If you answer 'yes' to any of these questions then you will need to provide more information.

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## Your employment history

Have you ever worked for any of the following types of organisation?

Include information for any paid or unpaid work. Select all that apply.

- Armed Forces (career)
- Armed Forces (compulsory national or military service)
- Government (including Public or Civil Administration and non-military compulsory national service)
- Intelligence services
- Security organisations (including police and private security services)

- Media organisations
- Judiciary (including work as a judge or magistrate)
- I have not worked in any of the jobs listed above

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### Note:

- If you have worked in any of these occupations then tick the appropriate box and provide more information on your job title or the role you were in, the organisation you worked for and the dates of employment.

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## Sponsor licence number and address

This information is on your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) statement, or contact your sponsor to get their licence number.

What is your sponsor licence number?

Sponsor's address

Town/City

Postcode

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### Note:

- York's address and sponsor licence number is shown here.
- You can copy and paste this information from your CAS email.



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## Place of Study

What type of sponsor will you be studying with?

The [Register of Student sponsors](#) sets out what type of sponsor each institution on the register is. A Higher Education Provider with a track record of compliance will have the status 'General Student Sponsor – Track Record'.

- Independent School
- Higher Education Provider
- Higher Education Provider with a track record of compliance
- Overseas Higher Education Provider
- Publicly Funded College
- Private Provider

[What is the difference between a school and a higher education institution?](#)

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### Note:

- The University of York is a Higher Education Provider with a track record of compliance.

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## Primary site of study

Is this the site where the majority of your study will take place?

University of York  
Heslington  
York  
YO10 5DD

Yes  No

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### Note:

- Tick 'yes' even if you are applying for a new Student Visa after switching to course with a Year Abroad or Work Placement year.

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## UCAS details

Did you apply for your course through UCAS?

Yes  No

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### Note:

- If you applied for an Undergraduate course through UCAS, answer 'yes' and copy paste your UCAS personal identification number. If you can't remember your UCAS number, you can find it on your CAS.

What is your UCAS personal identification number?

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## Academic Technology Approval Scheme (ATAS)

Students of certain sensitive subjects, knowledge of which could be used in programmes to develop weapons of mass destruction or their means of delivery, will need to apply for an ATAS certificate before they can study in the UK. You can [find out if you need an ATAS certificate here](#).

Do you need to obtain permission from the ATAS?

Yes  No


What is your Academic Technology Approval Scheme (ATAS) reference number?  
This is the reference number on the ATAS clearance certificate issued to you by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

**Save and continue**

### Note:

- If you answered 'yes', you will be asked to provide ATAS reference number.
- If ATAS is required for your course it will have been a condition of your offer and it will be confirmed in your CAS also.
- Copy paste the ATAS reference number from the certificate. ATAS certificates are valid for use in a visa application for six months from the date of issue.
- If you have changed course or are applying for an extension to your visa you will need to apply for fresh ATAS clearance. If the extension is less than 3 months, a new ATAS cert is not needed.

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## Future official financial sponsor

Will you be receiving money from an official financial sponsor for your continuing studies?

Yes  No

[What is an official financial sponsor?](#)

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### Note:

#### What is an official financial sponsor?

Examples of an official financial sponsor include the UK Government or your home Government, a university, or an international company or organisation. Examples of support may include a scholarship, internship, fellowship or training programme.

- You only need a letter from your sponsor if they meet the definition as highlighted and are paying all your tuition fees and maintenance. Answer 'Yes' if you will receive partial scholarship from York. Scholarship information is not included on your CAS, so you should submit your scholarship letter as evidence.

- If you answered 'yes', you will see the below. 'Sponsored' is receiving money for all your fees and your livings costs in the UK.

If you are being wholly sponsored by an official financial sponsor how will you prove this?

- My Student sponsor has confirmed this information on my CAS
- Letter of official financial sponsorship
- I am not being wholly sponsored

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## Course information

Name of sponsor institution (school/college/university)

Course name

Qualification you will get

This is the level of the qualification you will receive at the end of your course.  
If you are unsure about the level of your qualification, [find out what qualification levels mean here](#) or ask your sponsor institution.

Are you going to be a student union sabbatical officer?

[What is a student union sabbatical officer?](#)

Yes  No

Save and continue

### Note:

- Name of sponsor institution (school/college/university): University of York  
- Course name: Copy paste the name of the course from your CAS email.

- Qualification you will get: The academic level of the course is stated on your CAS. RQF = NQF

### Examples:

RQF 6 – Undergraduate

RQF 7 - Postgraduate, Master

RQF 8 - PhD

RQF1/SCQF4  
RQF2/SCQF5  
RQF3/SCQF6  
RQF4/SCQF7  
RQF5/SCQF8  
RQF6/SCQF9/10  
RQF7/SCQF11  
RQF8/SCQF12

- What is a student union sabbatical officer? Answer 'no', unless specified otherwise on your CAS.

A sabbatical officer is a full-time officer elected by the members of a students' union (or similar body such as students' association, students' representative council or guild of students), usually at a higher education establishment such as a university.

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## Course dates

Course start date

Provide the start date of your main course of study, but do not include any other courses you may be taking before.

Enter date in the format DD MMYYYY

Day Month Year

Course end date

Day Month Year

Save and continue

### Note:

- Copy paste the course start and end dates as per your CAS. This also applies if you are applying for a new visa after changing course or resuming studies following a break.

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## Accommodation payments

Have you or your parent(s)/legal guardian(s) already paid any money to your sponsor for accommodation?

This is only money paid to your sponsor. For example, this does not include money paid to a private landlord or housing organisation. There is a limit on how much of this will count towards your maintenance requirement, and this is set out in the guidance [here](#)

Yes  No

[Save and continue](#)

### Note:

- If you are moving into private housing, answer 'no', even if you have paid something.
- Answer 'yes' if you have paid money to York for University managed housing, either on or off campus. You will see the below.

How much has been paid?  
£

How can you prove this amount has been paid?

My sponsor has confirmed this information on my CAS

Receipts

- Once any payment to the University made towards accommodation tuition fees has cleared, your CAS will be updated to show the amount you have paid against what.
- If payment is made after the CAS is requested, it may not show up due to processing times. In this case, you should provide a receipt from the University.
- More information about CAS can be found on [our CAS webpages](#).



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## Course fees

What are your course fees for your first year?

If your course is shorter than 12 months, state the total course fee. This information is on your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) statement. Alternatively, you can contact your sponsor for this information.

£

Have you or your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) already paid any of your course fees?

Please select No if your course does not have a fee.

Yes  No

[Save and continue](#)

### Note:

- If your answer for the second question is 'yes', you will need to provide the below questions.

How much has been paid?

£

How can you prove this amount has been paid?

- My sponsor has confirmed this information on my CAS
- Receipts

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## Student Loan

You must show that you have enough money to cover your course fees, and living costs for you and any dependants [Read the guidance](#) to find out how much money you need to show and what documents you can use as evidence.

Are any of the funds required for this application in the form of a student loan?

Yes  No

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### Note:

- If your answer for the second question is 'yes', you will need to provide the below question.

Have you already received your student loan?

Yes  No

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## Maintenance funds

You must show that you have enough money to cover your course fees and living costs. [Read the guidance document](#) to find out how much money you need to show and what documents you can use as evidence.

Are all of the maintenance funds required for this application in a bank account with your name on it?

Yes  No

Are you relying on money held in an account under your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) name?

Yes  No

Do you have permission from your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) to use this money?

Yes  No

How can you prove they are your parent(s) or legal guardian(s)?

- Birth certificate
- Adoption certificate
- Court document

### Note:

- Even if you are fully sponsored this page will still appear – answer the first question ‘yes’, because the award is in your name.

- If you will evidence funds in a bank account in your name then answer ‘yes’.

- If you will be using your parent(s) bank statements, answer the first question ‘no’ and then confirm that you have their permission to use their funds – you will need to provide a signed letter from them confirming this as part of your visa application. Then confirm how you will evidence your relationship – you will need to provide this document too along with a certified translation if it is not in English.

- If you’re from a country listed under the UKVI ‘differential evidence requirement’, you will not need to prove that you have enough money to support yourself. However, we advise you to still prepare it as you could be asked for it at a later date. For more information, please see [Student visa : Money you need - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

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## Additional information about your application

If you needed to add more information about your application but were not able to, you can write it here.

If there is no further information you want to add, click the 'Save and continue' button.

Add further details:

Maximum of 1,000 characters

**Save and continue**

### Note:

- Here you can provide any other information that you think might be helpful for the caseworker when considering your application, for example, if you do not require a TB certificate because you have recently resided in the UK for more than six months and have not been away for more than six months as evidenced by immigration stamps in your passport. **Please note, anything extra you do include, even if not needed, can be used by the caseworker in deciding whether to grant the visa.**

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## Check your answers

Check the information below before you continue to the next section.

### Note:

- At this point it is advisable to review all your answers. If you need to make any amendments, click [Change](#) at the end of each answer to go back to that section.

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## Documents

*You do not need to provide evidence of your qualifications or finances as you are a national of a country listed in the differential evidence requirement of the Student rules. Occasionally, UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) may request this evidence while your application is being considered. If the evidence is requested, your visa application may be refused if you do not provide it.*

## Mandatory documents

These documents are mandatory and you must provide them as part of your application. Tick the box to agree that you will provide each document:

The passport or travel document for Ke Li from China

After you submit your application, you must provide your documents to our commercial partner. You can provide your documents by:

- uploading copies of your documents yourself through our commercial partner's website, free of charge
- taking your documents (originals or copies) to your appointment where our commercial partner will scan them for you, for a fee

If you choose to pay for the assisted scanning service, all documents (originals or copies) need to be A4 size or you may be charged to make them suitable for scanning.

If we require passports, you must take the originals to your appointment. If you have self-uploaded copies on our commercial partner's website you must still take your original passports, but will not be charged for scanning.

## Tuberculosis test results

You may need to be tested for tuberculosis (TB). If your test shows that you do not have TB, you will be given a certificate which is valid for 6 months from the date of your x-ray. Include this certificate with your UK visa application. [Check](#) if you need to get tested.

Save and continue

- Tuberculosis test results: Click 'Check' to see whether you will need to include results of a TB test with your visa application.

## Note:

- The mandatory documents are those which you must provide or your application will be unsuccessful.

- If your CAS does not cite any academic qualifications because you are a continuing student then you do not need to provide any evidence of these. If your course is above degree level, you will need to provide qualifications evidence where it is included in your CAS.

- The list of other documents will depend on how you answered the questions in the form, for example, whether you require consent from a sponsor or evidence of your relationship to your parent(s).

- Nationals of some countries will not be required to provide evidence of their finances; for more information, please visit the UKVI website [Student visa : Money you need - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

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## Conditions

If your application is successful, there will be conditions on your visa or leave to remain. This will include, for example, whether you are able to work in the UK.

If you stay in the UK without permission:

- You can be detained
- You can be prosecuted, fined and imprisoned
- You can be removed and banned from returning to the UK
- You will not be allowed to work
- You will not be able to rent a home in England
- You will not be able to claim any benefits and can be prosecuted if you try to
- You can be charged by the NHS for medical treatment
- You can be denied access to a bank account
- DVLA can prevent you from driving by taking away your driving licence

I confirm that I understand and accept these conditions

Save and continue



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## Declaration

By sending this application, you confirm that to the best of your knowledge and belief the following is correct:

- the information relating to the application
- the supporting evidence

I understand that the data I have given can be used as set out in the [privacy policy](#)

I consent to organisations, including financial institutions, providing information to the Home Office when requested in relation to this application.

I understand that any passports/travel documents submitted in support of my application, which remain uncollected after 3 months from the date they were ready for collection, will be returned to an office of the authority that issued the document. If this happens, the Visa Application Centre will be able to advise where the document has been sent.

I have discussed with any other applicants that I am acting on behalf of, and confirmed that the contents of the application are correct and complete.

I agree to the [terms and conditions](#).

I understand that if false information is given, the application can be refused and I may be prosecuted, and, if I am the applicant, I may be banned from the UK.

I confirm that:

- I am the applicant aged 18 or over
- I am the applicant aged under 18
- I am the parent or legal guardian of the applicant who is aged under 18 and completing and submitting the form on their behalf
- I am submitting the form on behalf of the applicant

I accept the above

## Note:

- Please be aware once you passed this page, your application will be no longer editable.



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## Pay towards your healthcare in the UK

You may need to pay a healthcare surcharge (called the 'immigration health surcharge' or IHS) as part of your visa application.

You'll then be able to use the National Health Service (NHS). You'll still need to pay for certain types of services, [e.g. prescriptions, dental treatment and eye tests](#). [↗](#)

### Use this service to:

- pay the healthcare surcharge (unless you are applying for your visa online or at a UK Premium Service Centre)
- get an IHS reference number which will be included in your visa application - you'll need this even if you don't have to pay

### You'll need:

- your passport or travel document
- your payment card



**You may be exempt from paying the healthcare surcharge but you still need an IHS reference number.**

Continue

### Note:

- For information about the Immigration Health Surcharge, please visit [gov.uk Pay the healthcare surcharge page](#).
- Please ensure that the credit card you are using to pay the fee is enabled for online transactions.
- If you cannot pay the IHS fee you will not be able to submit your visa application.

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## Immigration Health Surcharge (IHS)

Add your Immigration Health Surcharge (IHS) reference number

If you have not paid your IHS, you must do so before you can complete your visa application. You must pay using the external IHS website and then return to this site to complete your visa application. When you go to the IHS website, this application will be locked even if you do not pay your IHS straight away.

If you do wish to edit your answers before submitting this application, you must do so now through [Show and edit answers](#)

[Go to IHS website](#)

If you have already paid your IHS, you will have received this reference number via email. Your reference number will be 9 digits long and start with IHS, for example, IHS123456789.

Enter your IHS reference number

[I am exempt from paying IHS](#)

### Note:

- This is the last point at which you can edit the answers in the application form.
- Once you click the green button you will be directed to another website to pay the Immigration Health Surcharge.



- Once the IHS payment has been processed you will receive an IHS reference number which you will need to copy and paste into the box on the left before you can complete your visa application.

- **You cannot submit your visa application if you have not paid the Immigration Health Surcharge. If you would like us to check your application and supporting documents, please save your applications before this page.** Fill in our self referral form via [our webpage](#).

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## Summary

### Missing Details

#### Your details

[Add where you are planning to stay](#)  
[Add your course start date](#)  
[Add your course end date](#)  
[Add whether you are continuing a course](#)  
[Add the location of your course](#)

The information taken from your visa application can't be changed or removed. If you'd like to change or remove this information you must start your visa application again.

#### Your details

Applying from UK  No

Staying in Isle of Man, Jersey or Guernsey? [Add where you are planning to stay](#)

Title

You need to select a title

Are you applying to stay in the Isle of Man, Jersey or Guernsey?

Yes

No

Select 'no'.

Save and continue

Given name(s)

Example

> [I don't know how to enter my given name](#)

Family name

Student

> [I don't know how to enter my family name](#)

Email

Nationality

India

Visa route

Student

Visa type

Student

## Note:

- Your personal details, email address and the visa type which you are applying for will pull through from the main application form – you cannot change this information now.

- If any of this information is incorrect you are advised to start a new application.

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## Course start date

For example, 20 3 1976

Day Month Year

Please enter a valid course start date

Take the course start and end date from your CAS.

## Course end date

For example, 20 3 1976

Day Month Year

Please enter a valid course end date

Are you applying to continue on the same course for which you were last given Tier 4 Leave to Enter or Remain (e.g. to undertake re-sits)?

 Yes  No

Please state whether you are continuing a course

- If you are applying for further leave to complete the same course, answer 'yes'.  
- Your original course start date is stated in the 'evidence used' section of your CAS.

What is the original start date of the course?

For example, 20 3 1976

Day Month Year

Is your course at NQF 7?

 Yes  No

Is your course a Master's degree?

 Yes  No

Is your course for 13 months or less?

 Yes  No

Please select the location of your course

Passport number or travel document

> [I don't know my passport or travel document number](#)

Date of birth

For example, 20 3 1976

Day Month Year

> [Help with date of birth](#)

- Your personal details, email address and the visa type which you are applying for will pull through from the main application form – you cannot change this information now.

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These details are correct

 [Print these answers](#)

 [Download these answers \(PDF\)](#)

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## Declaration

I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, my details are correct and complete.

If I give false information, I, or a person named on this application could be:

- stopped from entering the UK now or in the future
- required to leave or removed from the UK
- required to pay extra for healthcare in the UK

I agree to the [terms and conditions](#) and [how my information will be used](#).

I agree

### Note:

- Once you have paid the IHS fee, you will be asked to pay the application fee. You will then be directed to a different website to book the biometric appointment.

-When booking the appointment, you may have the option to select optional services (e.g. Priority services). Please make sure you are 100% certain which service you want to use because after you have made the payment for a visa application you will not be able to change the type of service.

- We advise that once you have submitted your application you download a copy of the application form and the document checklist for your own records. You will receive e-receipts for the IHS and visa application fee payments.

- Remember to check the email account which you used for the visa application regularly as the Home Office may contact you if they require more information in order to process your application; failure to respond to such a request may result in your application being unsuccessful.

Good  
Luck!

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For additional support on Student Visa applications, please contact us via our [self-referral form](#) by scanning the QR code.