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# ABOUT STUDY UK



This toolkit has been created to support agents who are working with internationally mobile students and their families.

We've included a selection of useful resources and the latest information about studying in the UK. We will update this toolkit regularly so please check that you have the latest version on the British Council Brand Hub.

You can access all of the resources linked to the toolkit here:

[brandhub.britishcouncil.org/  
share/C3105C2F-A82C-4440-  
ADC7CAB97758B9F4/](https://brandhub.britishcouncil.org/share/C3105C2F-A82C-4440-ADC7CAB97758B9F4/)

If you have any questions about the toolkit, please contact:

[GREATbrand@britishcouncil.org](mailto:GREATbrand@britishcouncil.org)



## About the Study UK campaign

Study UK is delivered by the British Council, in partnership with the UK government's GREAT Britain campaign, which encourages people to visit, invest, and study in the UK. It is the UK's national campaign to promote the UK to internationally mobile students, as a first-choice study destination all over the world.

Study UK showcases why the UK is a unique and perfect choice for any international student. Our welcoming and inclusive way of life, our exceptional academic standards and our rich, historical culture inspired over 500,000 students to choose to study at UK higher education institutions in 2019-20. We're now the world's top study destination in terms of recruiting the largest number of new international students (HESA, 2020).

Our campaign activity includes: exhibitions, roadshows, subject showcases, pre-departure briefings, career fairs, school visits, agent tours and counsellor training; and massive open online learning courses that provide opportunities to students around the world.





# CHOOSE THE UK FOR A WORLD-CLASS UNIVERSITY EDUCATION



## A UK education is a bridge to the world, and to a bright and successful future.

Academics and employers across the globe admire and respect the formidable reputation of the UK's education system, and our graduates are among the most employable in the entire world. In fact, the majority of international students who have studied in the UK report a significant competitive edge over peers educated in other countries, with over 69 per cent saying they are progressing further, being promoted quicker, and earning more because of the prestigious education they have received (International Graduate Outcomes, Universities UK International, 2019).

That's because our universities and colleges consistently top a wide range of world rankings, and our institutions are respected across the globe. Two of the world's top three universities can be found here – and a further 26 of our universities and colleges are among the world's 200 best institutions for learning (Times Higher Education, World University Rankings 2020).

What's more, the UK's higher education system is subject to strict and exacting government standards, so you can be sure you'll get the very best in teaching, support and educational resources.

The UK is one of the most popular study destinations in the world (OECD, 2020) and a place that many international students choose as a place to develop their imaginations, experiences and opportunities. In 2019-20, over 500,000 students chose to study in the UK, so international students will find friends and connections from all over the world as they study, and learn about hundreds of other cultures. All in the home of the English language.

Because a UK education opens doors, students will gain the knowledge, skills and insights which are in extremely high demand, all across the globe. By studying in the UK, students become more employable, more confident, and the best possible version of themselves.

# RESOURCES



[study-uk.britishcouncil.org](http://study-uk.britishcouncil.org)  
#StudyUK

## Resources to share about studying in the UK

We have created a set of resources for you to share with prospective students to show what it's like to study at a UK university. You're welcome to download and use these resources at events and across digital channels, as long as they are not adapted or modified.

### Study UK brand film

The UK is the perfect place for students to become the most confident, most promising version of themselves. This one-minute film talks directly to students, showing how the UK can fulfil a wide range of aspirations, from outstanding academic standards and supportive learning environments, to rich traditions and cultural experiences. The UK will inspire students to think independently, be creative and truly grow as an individual.

You can download the brand film here:  
[brandhub.britishcouncil.org/l/48a3a83325e3290b/](https://brandhub.britishcouncil.org/l/48a3a83325e3290b/)

## Exploring the UK

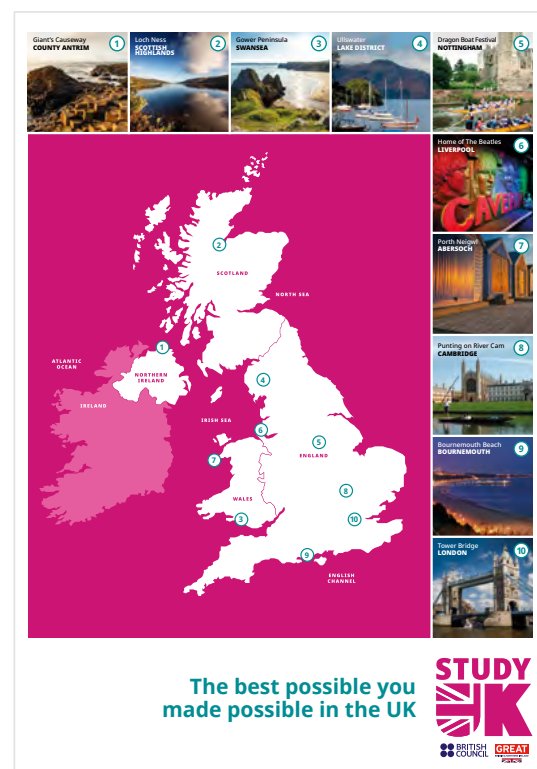
The UK offers a wide range of study options to suit different budgets. The cost of living varies, according to where in the UK a student decides to study. London and other big cities are more expensive than other areas, for example.

But depending on where students choose to study, a budget of between £800 and £1,300 a month should cover rent, bills, entertainment and other living costs.

You can download the following items from the Brand Hub:

- Money and budgeting flyer
- Living costs social media animation
- A2 and A3 map of the UK

Download the files here:  
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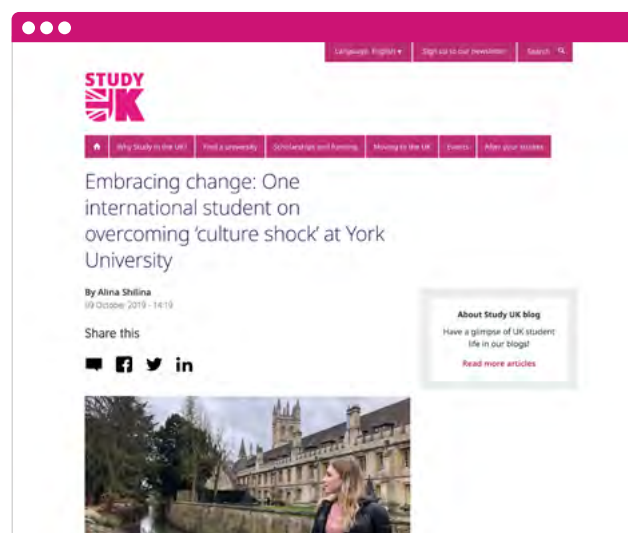
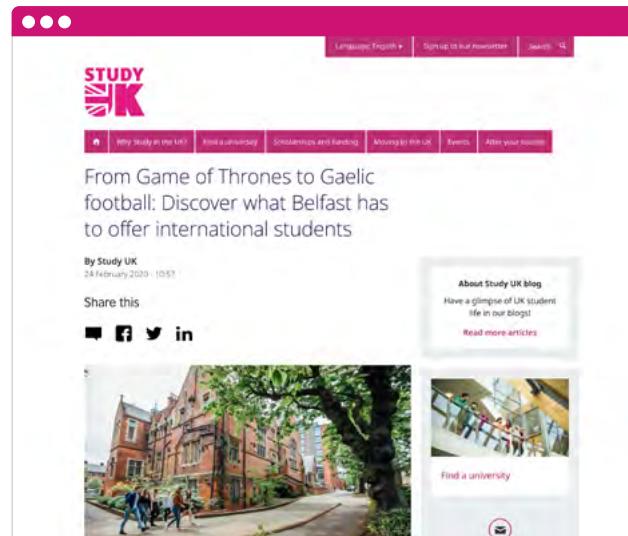
## Spotlight on UK regions

There are so many things to discover while studying in the UK. From the breathtaking scenery of our national parks to the dazzling nightlife of our cities, students will get to experience the very best in music, art, theatre, film and literature.

To help students explore life in different parts of the UK, we're developing a series of city blogs. Throughout the year we will be adding new content to the list below as we shine the spotlight on student life in different cities.

- Belfast  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/study-in-belfast](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/study-in-belfast)
- Manchester  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/8-reasons-why-manchester-is-a-great-place-to-be-a-student](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/8-reasons-why-manchester-is-a-great-place-to-be-a-student)
- York  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/alina-shilina](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/alina-shilina)

Visit our blog for the latest city features over the coming months.  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog)



## Find a university search tool

Courses in the UK are tailor made to support students to get the most from their studies as quickly as possible. There are thousands of courses to choose from – no matter what they're passionate about, the UK is a fantastic place to pursue any career interest.

In the UK, flexibility is built into the majority of our courses. Many universities allow students to choose from different subject 'modules', so they can build a course programme that suits them, specialising as the course develops for a perfectly tailored experience

We have a university finder tool on the Study UK website to search for institutions that deliver specific courses.

You can access the tool here:

[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/find/university#/](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/find/university#/)

## Print materials

If you would like to share Study UK branded materials with students or use items at your events, you're welcome to download the print-ready artwork and create the following items:

- UK table flag
- Bookmark
- Tote bag
- Pen
- A6 notebook
- Keyring

Please use the artwork in its original format and do not modify or adapt the artwork in any way.

Download the files here.

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# STUDYING IN THE UK IN 2022-23



Here in the UK, the warmest of welcomes is waiting for international students.

Our open and inclusive way of life will inspire them, our rich cultural history will fire their imagination and – as our universities are the among the most trusted and respected in the entire world – students will be able to develop their best and brightest ideas by studying here.

UK universities have adapted to the Covid-19 pandemic, ensuring student safety remains a top priority while continuing to deliver the world-class teaching the UK is known for.

Each UK university has dedicated staff to support international students at every step of their journey: from application, to preparing for travel, supporting them on arrival and throughout their time at university.

For the latest information on moving to the UK to study, please see:

- Study in the UK in 2021–22  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/2021-22-academic-year](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/2021-22-academic-year)
- Support for students during Covid-19  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/coronavirus](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/coronavirus)
- Covid-19 FAQs  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/starting-your-degree-2020/faqs](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/starting-your-degree-2020/faqs)

Or you can follow [@StudyUKBritish](https://twitter.com/StudyUKBritish) on Twitter for updates.

We would also recommend that you and/or prospective students contact the higher education institution for the most up-to-date advice and information.



## Feeling safe in the UK

With one of the best healthcare systems in the world, globally respected policing and low crime rates, studying in the UK is exceptionally safe and secure.

The UK's NHS (National Health Service) is one of the world's most advanced healthcare systems, offering safe and modern treatment.

You can find support and advice on Covid-19 from the NHS at [www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/). The NHS is providing specific Covid-19 advice through its [online service](#).

Find the latest UK government information on Covid-19 here <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

UK universities are ensuring campuses are as safe as possible for students and staff in line with the latest public health guidance – including practising physical distancing on campus, laboratories and other buildings, and continuing support for staff and student wellbeing.

Some British Council offices are running webinars to support agents and provide up-to-date information on studying in the UK. Some are also running pre-departure briefings for students. Find out what support is available for you and your students by visiting the [www.britishcouncil.org](https://www.britishcouncil.org) and selecting your country.

The UK Council for International Student Affairs (UKCISA) also offers advice on the impact of Covid-19 and international students. [www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/Studying--living-in-the-UK/Coronavirus-Covid-19-info-for-international-students](https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/Studying--living-in-the-UK/Coronavirus-Covid-19-info-for-international-students)

## Face coverings

It is recommended that you wear a face covering in the UK in crowded and enclosed spaces, where you come into contact with people you don't usually meet. In some areas (such as London and Scotland), it is mandatory to wear a face covering on public transport, so check the rules for the part of the UK you are studying in for the latest guidance.





## How UK universities are looking after student wellbeing

All universities are working hard to welcome international students and have action procedures in place to keep students, staff and local communities safe.

UK universities have implemented a number of Covid-19 support services that international students can access, such as airport pick up services, support through self-isolation periods and food packages. Universities are also offering increased mental health support during the pandemic, with many putting initiatives in place which support students in keeping active and that help them to socialise safely. This includes online activities that facilitate students meeting others during periods when they are required to self-isolate, or for those who are unable to travel to the UK just yet. They also have plans in place to support students if they are required to self-isolate or if local lockdowns are introduced.

If any international students are struggling or have any concerns, we would encourage them to contact their university's student support services.

A programme of mental health support for students during Covid-19, Student Space, has been created for students in England and Wales. Whether it's their mental health, their studies, money, housing or relationships, there are resources and support available to students on the Student Space website [studentspace.org.uk/](https://studentspace.org.uk/)

Here are some personal stories from students on the Study UK blog:

- Jate talks about managing his work during the Covid-19 crisis (Imperial College London) [study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/jate-phd-research-blog](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/jate-phd-research-blog)
- Khoa shares his tips for looking after your mental health (University of Leeds) [study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/khoa-tips-in-lockdown](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/khoa-tips-in-lockdown)





- Three students share their experience of returning to the UK to study in 2020 (University of Warwick)  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/returning-to-uk](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/returning-to-uk)
- GREAT Scholar Arjun shares his story of studying in the UK (Cranfield University)  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/finding-a-uk-scholarship](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/finding-a-uk-scholarship)
- Nadine tells us why she is happy her university has adopted a blended learning approach (University of Kent)  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/nadine-biological-anthropology](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/nadine-biological-anthropology)
- Zhao Xin talks about studying in the UK and the impact Covid-19 has had on her studies so far (Teesside University)  
[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/zhao-xin-great-scholar](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/zhao-xin-great-scholar)

## How to apply

We're open for recruitment to international students in 2022-23 and we will do all that we can to support students making this choice.

**For more information and resources on the application process, please see the last section of this guide.**

# PREPARING TO COME TO THE UK



For students who intend to study in the UK in 2022-23, here is the latest guidance to help them prepare.

## Applying for a visa

The UK government is working to ensure that existing processes are as flexible as possible, so that international students who are planning to study in the UK can do so.

Students need only apply for their visa when they can actually travel to the UK, they can study remotely without one until then.

For the latest information on UK Visa Application Centres please visit:

- TLS contact for Europe, Africa and parts of the Middle East  
[pos.tlscontact.com](https://pos.tlscontact.com)
- VFS Global for all other countries  
[www.vfsglobal.co.uk/en](https://www.vfsglobal.co.uk/en)
- UK service points (UKVCAS)  
[www.gov.uk/ukvcas](https://www.gov.uk/ukvcas)

For the latest information, on visas from the UK government please look for updates [www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-advice-for-uk-visa-applicants-and-temporary-uk-residents](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-advice-for-uk-visa-applicants-and-temporary-uk-residents)

A Home Office immigration helpline and email address is available for all immigration enquiries related to Covid-19.

Telephone: +44 (0) 800 678 1767,  
Monday to Friday, 09.00 - 17.00.

Email: [CIH@homeoffice.gov.uk](mailto:CIH@homeoffice.gov.uk)

## Paying the Immigration Health Surcharge

International students (outside the European Economic Area) will need to pay a healthcare surcharge as part of their immigration application. This costs £470 per year for a student, giving access to NHS services without further charge, subject to a few exceptions such as prescription charges in England.

The surcharge levels remain competitive compared with health insurance requirements in comparable countries. The surcharge represents about one per cent of the total cost of studying in the UK for a three-year undergraduate course.

You can find out more information at [www.gov.uk/healthcare-immigration-application](https://www.gov.uk/healthcare-immigration-application)



## Taking English language tests

Students should check with their university for the latest advice on how they can provide suitable evidence of their English proficiency.

You can advise students that they should visit the IELTS website for the latest updates on IELTS test arrangements.  
[www.ielts.org](http://www.ielts.org)

Students may be able to take the IELTS Indicator – an online test, taken at home and marked by IELTS examiners. This is available in some countries for those who are unable to attend an IELTS test centre due to Covid-19 restrictions.  
[www.ieltsindicator.com](http://www.ieltsindicator.com)

The IELTS Indicator is not available in China, so Chinese students are taking the TOEFL English exam, since China's Ministry of Education and US-based ETS have announced the alignment of the TOEFL iBT test to China's Standards of English framework. [toefl.neea.cn](http://toefl.neea.cn)

Some universities are accepting the Duolingo English Test as certification of English proficiency, another online test available to international students, please visit [englishtest.duolingo.com](http://englishtest.duolingo.com)

PTE Academic assesses listening, reading, speaking and writing all via computer in a single three hour test session. Visit [pearsonpte.com](http://pearsonpte.com)

Anyone who has been affected by the suspension of other language tests should contact their test provider with any enquiries.





# PREPARING TO STUDY



Covid-19 has highlighted the crucial role that universities play in developing and sharing knowledge, bringing together the best minds and facilitating collaborative research to meet the challenge of the pandemic – epidemiologists are sharing their expertise and virologists are leading the development of vaccinations.

Across the world, many countries are continuing to adapt and respond to the current crisis by finding new ways of delivering services and managing our everyday lives. Education provision is also affected and students can expect some things to be different. But universities by nature are innovative environments and they will adapt and evolve to continue to deliver world-class tuition to their students.

Making the decision to leave home and move to another country to study at a university brings challenges for international students, but it also indicates a strong will to embrace change and discover new ways of learning.

UK universities have now returned to face-to-face teaching but you can read about their approach to blended learning below.

## Blended learning

Across the UK, quality teaching is taking place. Universities have been providing high quality, flexible options to international students since the start of the pandemic, such as studying online or facilitating later start dates.

There are some exciting and innovative examples of high-quality online learning being delivered by institutions across the UK. For example, some universities have created virtual ward rounds with virtual patients to mimic clinical decision making for their medical students, while others have developed new ways for students to conduct field work, including the use of hi-res photographs, Google Earth and drone-scans.

When safe to do so and in line with government guidelines, teaching is being delivered through a mix of formats (known as 'blended learning'). Under a blended model, lectures may be delivered online, supported by online discussions. Courses that involve practical teaching sessions will be delivered in a safe way, with physical distancing and personal protective equipment provided where appropriate.

Some face-to-face study takes place under a blended learning model, in small groups that are made safer through the creation of 'bubbles'. This means the same group of students will be taught together throughout the term.

Teaching through blended learning means the safety of students and staff remains top priority, and high-quality teaching can continue.

All learning is being regularly reviewed in line with local public health guidelines.

## Share our online course – Prepare to study and live in the UK

Hosted on the FutureLearn online course platform, this four-week online course will teach students everything they need to know about UK higher education, including teaching methods, course structures and how coursework will be assessed. It will also provide them with tips for studying in the English language and practical information about living in the UK.

By completing the online course, they will be more confident, feel better prepared, and get the most from their experience of studying and living in the UK.

During the course, there will also be plenty of opportunities for them to interact with other, like-minded individuals who are preparing for their UK education. Who knows, they may even start making friends before they arrive in the UK.

The online course is entirely free and takes only four weeks to complete, although students can complete it faster if they wish. Upon successful completion, students will receive a digital certificate.

Students can register [www.futurelearn.com/courses/prepare-to-study-uk](https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/prepare-to-study-uk)

This online course is provided twice a year. You can see the next available dates on the registration page and once registered, students will receive a notification when the next course starts.





# ON ARRIVAL IN THE UK



## Travel

Please see the latest information on entering the UK on [www.gov.uk/uk-border-control](https://www.gov.uk/uk-border-control). Students should also check travel advice in their own country in advance of making their plans. Remember that travel and quarantine rules are subject to change at short notice, so students should continue to check the latest rules and stay in touch with their institution for information and support.

Universities are ensuring students know what to expect before they travel, and are welcomed and supported on arrival. Some universities have arranged airport pickup services, and many are offering support through any quarantine period students are required to complete under government guidelines.

Check the [www.police.uk/pu/contact-the-police](https://www.police.uk/pu/contact-the-police) in your region for updates and for information and advice on how to register with the police as an international student.

## Free NHS treatment

International students who live in the UK and are registered with a GP (general practitioner) will be able to access the Covid-19 vaccination in the UK, just as they are currently able to access healthcare.



# STUDYING IN THE UK



Across the campaign channels, we share testimonials from alumni and students studying in the UK.

To make it easier to access these stories, we've listed the content below. This will be refreshed with new stories each time the toolkit is updated.

## Student stories and career success (videos)

A UK education makes students more employable, more experienced and more prepared for the world of work. Focusing on life after study, we have created a series of films that look at the careers of UK alumni and how they have progressed after gaining UK qualifications. In the films, we bring together students studying in the UK for the first time with UK alumni to share tips and advice on making the most of their UK studies.

- Manoj is an MBA student at Glasgow Caledonian University and Ritnika is a University of Westminster music management graduate.
- Krisha is studying for an MSc in cancer sciences at the University of Glasgow and Satya has gained two master's and one PhD in the UK.

- Hilya is a Psychology with Neuropsychology student at Bangor University and Azyyati is a University of Dundee Forensic Dentistry graduate.
- Clement is a Mechanical Engineering student at the University of Southampton, and Chandra is a petroleum engineer in Indonesia.
- Isaac is a Law student at Queen Mary University of London and Kim is a barrister in Malaysia.
- Shawn is a medical student on placement at Torbay Hospital in the UK and Dr John Chan is a consultant cardiothoracic surgeon at Cardiac Vascular Sentral in Malaysia.

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# STUDENT STORIES AND CAREER SUCCESS

(videos)

**Hilya is a Psychology  
with Neuropsychology  
student at Bangor  
University.**



**Shawn is a medical  
student on placement  
at Torbay hospital.**



**Chandra is a petroleum  
engineer in Indonesia.**





**Kim is a barrister  
in Malaysia.**



**Clement is a Mechanical Engineering  
student at the University of Southampton.**



We have a wide range of stories to share from students who have already chosen to study in the UK. Please share these experiences to give your students a greater insight into what it's like to study in the UK.

HOME COUNTRY	UNIVERSITY	COURSE/ SUBJECT
<b>China</b>	Birmingham City University	Visual Communication (master's)
<b>Greece</b>	King's College London, Imperial College London and Newcastle University	Medical and Molecular Genetics (PhD)
<b>Pakistan</b>	Manchester Metropolitan University	Business Information Technology (UG)
<b>USA</b>	Queen Margaret University	Business Management (UG)
<b>Thailand</b>	St Mary's University	Chronic Disease Management (master's)
<b>USA</b>	Ulster University	Visual Communications (UG)
<b>Turkey</b>	University of Bradford	International Commercial Law (master's)
<b>Turkey</b>	University of East London and University of Kent	Psychoanalytic Observational Studies (master's) and Migration Studies (PhD)
<b>India</b>	University of Edinburgh	Criminal Law and Justice (master's)

DETAILS	LINK TO STORY
Yifan Ling talks about a career as a best-selling comic artist	<a href="https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/yifan-ling">study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/yifan-ling</a>
Dr Theodoros Anagnostopoulos talks about his social enterprise SciCo, which combats scientific illiteracy and promotes interactive STEM education	<a href="https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/theodoros-anagnostopoulos">study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/theodoros-anagnostopoulos</a>
Sibtain Jiwani talks about his personal finance start-up smartchoice.pk	<a href="https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/sibtain-jiwani">study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/sibtain-jiwani</a>
Kelly Powers shares top tips for living an eco-friendly student life	<a href="https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/kelly-sustainability-blog">study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/kelly-sustainability-blog</a>
Manit Sittimart, a GREAT scholar, talks about how he's settling in to life in the UK	<a href="https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/Manit-GREAT-scholarships">study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/blog/Manit-GREAT-scholarships</a>
Oliver Jeffers talks about his career from directing music videos for U2 to exhibiting at the National Portrait Gallery	<a href="https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/oliver-jeffers">study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/oliver-jeffers</a>
Merve, a GREAT scholar, discusses her dream of studying International Commercial Law.	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/B-e610VK9uw/">www.instagram.com/p/B-e610VK9uw/</a>
Dr Havva Özden Bademci talks about her research and application centre dedicated to addressing issues facing street children	<a href="https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/havva-ozden-bademci">study-uk.britishcouncil.org/why-study/success-stories/havva-ozden-bademci</a>
Prerna, a GREAT scholar, realises her dream of pursuing a master's degree	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/B-yzCcvIL1M/">www.instagram.com/p/B-yzCcvIL1M/</a>

# THE GRADUATE ROUTE



From 1 July 2021, international students are able to benefit from two years' work experience in the UK after graduation, through the new Graduate Route. Students who complete their PhD will be able to stay for three years.

Here is everything you need to know to advise your students:

- The Graduate Route is available to international students who have a valid student visa at the time of application and have successfully completed a degree at undergraduate level or above at a higher Education provider with a track record of compliance.
- Successful applicants will be able to stay and work, or look for work, in the UK at any skill level for a maximum period of two years. Graduates will be able to switch into skilled work once they have found a suitable job.
- The new route opened for applications on 1 July 2021, meaning that any eligible student who graduated in the summer of 2021 or after will be able to apply for the route. This includes students who have already started their courses.

- The Graduate Route will require a new visa application.
- It will include the payment of a visa fee and the Immigration Health Surcharge. The exact fee will be set out in due course.

The UK government has confirmed that students will not be penalised for beginning their courses online, and will still qualify for the Graduate Route provided they complete the final semester of their studies in the UK. Find out the latest information on the Study UK website at [homeofficemedia.blog.gov.uk/2019/10/14/fact-sheet-graduate-immigration-route/](https://homeofficemedia.blog.gov.uk/2019/10/14/fact-sheet-graduate-immigration-route/)

For more information, and to view frequently asked questions, visit the at [homeofficemedia.blog.gov.uk/2019/10/14/fact-sheet-graduate-immigration-route/](https://homeofficemedia.blog.gov.uk/2019/10/14/fact-sheet-graduate-immigration-route/)

## Sharing information about the Graduate Route on social media

Please use the copy below to share information via your preferred social media channels.

1.

Are you an international student in the UK? You could be eligible for the new Graduate Route, and remain in the UK for two years after you've successfully completed your studies. Find out more:

[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/after-your-studies/post-study-work](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/after-your-studies/post-study-work)

2.

The UK government has created a new immigration route that will enable international students to remain in the UK for two years after they have successfully completed their studies. Find out more on the Study UK website:

[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/after-your-studies/post-study-work](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/after-your-studies/post-study-work)

3.

Did you know that international students are able to benefit from two years' work experience in the UK after graduating? Find out everything you need to know on the Study UK website:

[study-uk.britishcouncil.org/after-your-studies/post-study-work](https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/after-your-studies/post-study-work)





# APPLYING TO STUDY



The UK is open and we're welcoming applications for the 2022-23 intake and we would encourage you to direct students to our university finder tool to search for courses.

To support students in submitting their application, we have a set of videos that you can use to inform students about the application process to study in the UK.

These videos can be downloaded from the British Council [brandhub.britishcouncil.org/share/C3105C2F-A82C-4440-ADC7CAB97758B9F4/](https://brandhub.britishcouncil.org/share/C3105C2F-A82C-4440-ADC7CAB97758B9F4/)

Most undergraduate applications are made through the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS). To apply through UCAS, students need to go to [www.ucas.com](https://www.ucas.com) and register their details in their application system. Students can apply for up to five courses through UCAS and will be contacted by them with any offers from their chosen universities or colleges.

## Application deadlines

### 15 October

For courses at the universities of Oxford and Cambridge and for most courses in medicine, veterinary medicine, science and dentistry.

### 26 January

For most undergraduate courses

### 30 June

Late deadline for most undergraduate courses. Applications received after this deadline will automatically go into 'Clearing', so students will not be guaranteed your first choice.

While students will be able to apply after the January deadline right up until 30 June, it is better to apply early.

## What is Clearing?

Clearing is how universities and colleges in the UK fill any places they still have on their courses.

From 6 July to 20 October, applicants can apply for a course using Clearing if they're not already holding an offer from a university or college, and the course still has places.

### Applicants can use Clearing if:

- they're applying after 30 June
- they didn't receive any offers (or none they wanted to accept)
- they didn't meet the conditions of their offers
- they've declined their firm place using the 'decline my place' button in Track.

## Useful tips for applying through Clearing.

### Encourage applicants to:

- ask for advice
- see what courses are available by using the search tool on UCAS and check entry requirements consider different subjects
- talk to the universities they are interested in

- attend a virtual open day [www.ucas.com/ucas/events/find/%20scheme/virtual-and-digital/type/open-day](http://www.ucas.com/ucas/events/find/%20scheme/virtual-and-digital/type/open-day).

**For more information about clearing, visit the** [www.ucas.com/undergraduate/results-confirmation-and-clearing/what-clearing](http://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/results-confirmation-and-clearing/what-clearing)

Please use the accompanying promotional copy below to share via your preferred social media channels.

**Applying for a course promotional copy. You can add your own call to action with contact details.**

### For the 2021 recruitment cycle

Do you want to study in the UK in 2022? Contact (add details) for more information.

Do you want to study in the UK in 2022? Watch Study UK's step-by-step guide on the information you'll need to apply.

Do you want to study medicine in the UK in 2022? Watch Study UK's short guide on the information you'll need to apply.

Do you want to study at a conservatoire in the UK in 2022? Watch Study UK's short guide on the information you'll need to apply.

Do you want to study for a postgraduate course in the UK in 2022? Watch Study UK's short guide on the information you'll need to apply.

Do you want to study for an MBA in the UK in 2022? Watch Study UK's short guide on the information you'll need to apply.

### Clearing (from 6 July to 20 October)

Do you want to study in the UK in 2022-23? You can still apply via Clearing. Contact (add details) for more information.

Do you want to study in the UK in 2022-23? There's still time to apply for some courses via Clearing. Watch Study UK's step-by-step guide on the information you'll need to apply.

Do you want to study for a postgraduate course in the UK? Watch Study UK's short guide on the information you'll need to apply.



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	<b>Asset: StudyUK_ApplyingForMedicine_16x9.</b> 1 minute 34 second medicine application advice .mp4
	<b>Asset: StudyUK_ApplyingForConservatoire_16x9.</b> 2 minute 6 second conservatoire application advice .mp4
	<b>Asset: StudyUK_ApplyingForPostgraduate_16x9.</b> 1 minute 44 second postgraduate application advice .mp4
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# EU STUDENTS IN THE UK



Around 147,800 students from EU countries study in the UK (2019–20 data) – that’s some 30 per cent of the UK’s total international students. Students and staff from the EU make an enormous contribution to the UK and the success of its education institutions.

The UK has now left the European Union. This will mean some changes for students from EU, other EEA countries or Switzerland who start a UK course from 1 January 2021 onwards.

- **Arrived by 31 December 2020:** Have ‘home fee status’ for the full duration of their course, and do not need to apply for a visa. If they plan to stay in the UK after 30 June 2021, they should apply to the EU Settlement Scheme once they are in the UK.
- **Arrive after 1 January 2021 to start a course in the 2020–21 academic year** (course starts before 31 July 2021): Remain eligible for home fee status and student loans subject to meeting the residency requirements, need to apply for a student visa before travelling to the UK.
- **Arrive in the UK / start a course after 1 August 2021:** Not eligible for home fee status or student loans, need to apply for a student visa before travelling to the UK.

## More information

Our [dedicated EU student page](#) provides more information about any changes and you can also visit the UK at [www.gov.uk/guidance/studying-in-the-uk-guidance-for-eu-students](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/studying-in-the-uk-guidance-for-eu-students) government’s page.

For more information the EU Settlement Scheme. [www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families](https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families)

The UK Council for International Student Affairs has very detailed Brexit pages, please see [www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/EU-EEA--Swiss-Students/Brexit-immigration-fees-and-student-support-for-when-you-arrive](https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/EU-EEA--Swiss-Students/Brexit-immigration-fees-and-student-support-for-when-you-arrive)

Universities UK International has Brexit FAQs for universities and students [www.universitiesuk.ac.uk/policy-and-analysis/brexit/Pages/brexit-faqs.aspx](https://www.universitiesuk.ac.uk/policy-and-analysis/brexit/Pages/brexit-faqs.aspx)

# CONTACTS

A woman with long dark hair, wearing black-rimmed glasses, a bright pink scarf, and a light-colored jacket, is smiling at the camera. She is positioned in the lower half of the frame. The background is a large, stylized world map on a blue wall, with the map's colors in shades of blue and green. A portion of a book or document is visible in the upper left corner of the map.

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