

## IMPORTANT

### Please be aware that your offer does not guarantee issuance of a CAS

In order to receive a CAS to apply for a Student Route visa, you will need to have a UKVI secure English language test (SELT) with level B1 or above in all components.

Approved SELT test providers can be found on the following link; [UKVI SELT tests](#)

The table below shows which visa route you should use.

Your qualification	Visa
UKVI approved SELT with at least B1 (4.0) in all components	Student Route
UKVI approved SELT with any scores below B1 (4.0) or Non-SELT qualification	Standard Visitor Route

Guidance on Student route eligibility and requirements can be found here; [Student Route](#)

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If you have been made an offer based on an English language qualification that is **not** a SELT, you should travel to the UK as a **Standard Visitor**.

- **Visa nationals** must usually apply online for a Standard Visitor visa **before** travel.
- **Non-visa nationals** usually do not apply for a visa in advance but must **obtain an ETA** before travelling and will be granted Visitor permission on arrival if they meet the rules.

You can check what category applies to you on the GOV.UK website [here](#).

#### How to apply (before you travel)

If you need a **Standard Visitor visa**: apply online via GOV.UK [here](#), then attend a Visa Application Centre to submit documents and biometrics (fingerprints and photographs). **Do not travel** until your visa is issued.

If you are eligible to travel **without a prior visa**: apply online for an **ETA** via GOV.UK [here](#).

## **What to carry when you travel**

Border officers may ask to see evidence that you meet the Visitor rules. Bring:

- Your **offer letter** showing the course title, provider, and dates.
- Proof of **course fees paid** or ability to pay outstanding fees.
- Proof of **accommodation** arrangements.
- Evidence of **funds** to cover your stay (living costs and any remaining fees).
- **Return or onward travel** booking.

## **Important conditions of the Visitor route**

- You **cannot** work (including unpaid work or work placements).
- You **cannot** switch to a Student Route visa inside the UK.
- Visitors do **not** pay the Immigration Health Surcharge; you may be charged for certain NHS treatment.

## **Where to find official guidance**

For the application process and required documents, see:

GOV.UK – [Check if you need a UK visa](#)

GOV.UK – [Apply for a Standard Visitor visa](#)

GOV.UK – [Electronic Travel Authorisation \(ETA\)](#)

You can also find university-specific guidance on our [website](#).

