

Applying for a visa from outside the UK (Entry Clearance)

This document provides guidance on applying for a Student visa from outside the UK. Further information is available on the University's [website](#). You are advised to read the information in full.

To begin the process to apply for your visa, go to this [link](#).

- Once you have logged in and created a password you will have 10 weeks to submit your application.
- For some questions, you will need to use the information from your CAS statement.

The information below provides guidance on some questions in the form that may need additional clarification.

Not all questions outlined below will appear in every application. The questions you see can vary based on your answers and nationality.

Query	Clarification
Do you have a current EU, EEA or Swiss passport?	Countries in the EU and EEA are listed here . If you have an EU, EEA or Swiss passport the application will prompt you to download an app so you can scan your passport and submit your biometrics without needing an in-person appointment.
Do you have a Marshall, Chevening or commonwealth scholarship?	These are specific government scholarships. Only answer 'Yes' if you are sure you have been awarded one of these scholarships. This is not relevant to scholarships awarded by the Collegiate University.
Do you have a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) number?	Confirm you have a CAS and enter the CAS reference number, which should be copied and pasted from your CAS statement. Do not submit a visa application without a CAS number. You do not need to upload a physical copy of your CAS statement to your application.
Passport number	The passport details you enter in your visa application need to match the passport used to issue your CAS.
Do you have a valid national identity card?	Some countries issue national identity cards; if you select 'Yes' in answer to this question you will be asked to provide further details.

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

Only select 'Yes' to this question if you have confirmed accommodation arrangements. You will then be asked for the address details of where you will be staying. If you select 'No', you will be asked where you plan to stay. If you have not yet confirmed where you will be staying, you should explain what your plans are for arranging accommodation. It is not a requirement to have confirmed details of your accommodation at the point of application.

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

If you have travelled to the UK in the past 10 years you will need to answer 'Yes' and confirm the number of times. You should include visits to the UK in transit. You will then be asked to provide further details for up to 3 of your most recent visits to the UK. You will then be asked further questions about previous stay in the UK - see page 3.

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

If you have been to one or more of these countries in the past 10 years you will need to enter the number of times here. You should include visits in transit. You will be asked for further questions about your two most recent visits to these countries. If you cannot recall the exact dates and no longer have records of these visits, complete this section to the best of your ability and include an explanation in the Additional Information section at the end of the application or upload a supporting note.

World travel history

You will need to list any countries you have been to in the last 10 years, excluding the UK, USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Switzerland or the EEA. You are required to provide details of all trips made in the past 10 years. If you cannot recall the exact dates and no longer have records of these visits, complete this section to the best of your ability and include an explanation in the Additional Information section at the end of the application or upload a supporting note.

Date you plan to arrive in the UK

Enter your planned arrival date in the UK. This is only an indication of when you might travel to the UK and does not mean you will need to arrive on this date. The earliest your visa can be valid is one month before your course start date.

Sponsor licence number and address

Sponsor licence number: 4NUV7KB58
Sponsor Address: The Old Schools, Trinity Lane, Cambridge, CB2 1TN

What type of sponsor will you be studying with?

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

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

'The Old Schools, Trinity Lane, Cambridge, CB4 2YQ' is the primary site of study for visa purposes, unless you are a PhD student studying at a University Partner Institute and this is listed on your CAS

Did you apply for your course through UCAS?

UCAS manages applications to UK universities, and Cambridge undergraduates apply through it. Other students will have applied directly to the University and can select 'No'.

Do you need to obtain permission from the ATAS?

This is relevant to certain postgraduate science and technology subject areas. Your University offer and your CAS will state whether you need ATAS clearance. If you select 'Yes', you must enter the reference number from your ATAS certificate. If ATAS was required, you must also upload the FCDO-issued certificate as part of your visa application.

Future official financial sponsor

This only applies when your full course fees and living costs are being paid by the UK Government, your home Government, a University, or an international company or organisation. If you are receiving full financial sponsorship, you must confirm whether this information is stated on your CAS or whether you have a sponsor letter as evidence. Funding appears on the CAS only when it is provided by the University or your College.

Have you been elected as a Student Union Sabbatical Officer?

A sabbatical officer is a full-time officer elected by the members of a students' union.

Qualification you will get

Select from the dropdown the qualification you will receive as stated in your CAS statement.

Accommodation payments

This question refers to accommodation payments you may have made to your College or the University for accommodation only. If you select 'Yes', you must confirm how much you have paid and how this is evidenced. Any advance accommodation payment can be added to your CAS, but you'll need to request this if it isn't already shown on your CAS statement.

Maintenance funds

'Maintenance funds' refer to courses fees, as stated on your CAS, and living costs. You can check the requirements on our [website](#).

These questions will be asked if you have been to the UK in the past 10 years:

Have you ever been given medical treatment in the UK?

You will be asked for details of any occasion you received medical treatment in the UK including the name and address of the hospital or doctor's surgery you attended and dates of the treatment. If you cannot recall exact dates complete this section to the best of your ability and either explain further in the Additional Information or add a note as a supporting document.

National Insurance number

A National Insurance number is issued to anyone who works in the UK and you normally need to apply for one. If you have previously worked in the UK, check your records for your National Insurance number.

Detailed guidance available:

<https://www.internationalstudents.cam.ac.uk/immigration>