



Your visa  
documents  
explained

If you're an international student planning to pursue a programme lasting longer than 6 months at Northeastern University London, securing a student visa is a crucial step before your arrival in the UK.

For more detailed guidance on student visas and immigration matters, please refer to additional resources available **here**.

## Your visa documents explained

For those requiring a student visa to attend Northeastern University London, acquiring a Confirmation of Acceptance for Study (CAS) is mandatory prior to visa application.

The CAS serves as an electronic reference document generated by Northeastern University London, containing comprehensive details about you and your chosen programme of study. It advises UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) that Northeastern University London is sponsoring your visa for the duration of your programme of study.

To obtain your CAS from Northeastern University London, you'll need to submit supporting documents to our Office of Global Services, United Kingdom (OGS UK) Team via our CAS Shield System. Upon review and verification that your documents meet both UKVI and Northeastern University London criteria, we'll promptly issue your CAS document.

## Your immigration history

To ensure we can offer you a place, we need to make sure you're eligible to apply for a student visa. This means checking your academic progress and the length of your previous visas according to UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) requirements. You'll simply need to provide this information through our CAS Shield system. It's a straightforward process!

## Declaration of criminal convictions and penalties

All offer holders needing a Student Visa for UK study must disclose any criminal convictions, including traffic offences or ongoing court cases from any country. You can easily provide this information through our CAS Shield system.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of this information confidentially, feel free to reach out to a member of our Office of Global Services, United Kingdom (OGS UK) Team at [ogsuk@nulondon.ac.uk](mailto:ogsuk@nulondon.ac.uk). We're here to help!

## Valid passport plus any previous UK visas

You must provide a copy of your currently valid passport. It's important that your passport remains valid at the time of your programme's enrolment.

Additionally, please include any previous UK visas you've held. If your current UK visa (vignette) is located in an expired passport, kindly submit both your expired passport and the current one. If you have permission to remain in the UK, please show this through your E-Visa/Share Code.

## Any previous UK CAS letters

If you previously studied in the UK and were issued a CAS letter, then please also submit your previous CAS letter(s).

## Bank statements

To meet visa requirements, the funds you plan to use for living expenses and tuition fees must remain in your or your parent's account for a minimum of 28 consecutive days. Ensure your bank statement is no older than one month before submitting your visa application. **Please note that these funds cannot be in bonds, shares, loans, investments, or overdrafts.**

If the bank statement belongs to your parent(s), you'll also need to provide a copy of your **birth certificate** and a **parent's consent letter**.

Your bank statements should clearly display:

- Your name or your parent's/legal guardian's name
- The account number
- The financial institution's name and logo
- The available balance (including all transactions during the 28-day period)

### **How much money will I need to show (living expenses + tuition fees)?**

You must have enough money in your bank account to show that you can cover both living expenses for your first year and tuition fees for your first year. As outlined above, the full amount needs to be in your bank account for at least 28 consecutive days. It cannot fall below the required amount even just for one day during this period.

Please also take any possible currency fluctuations into account.

For demonstrating financial capability (covering living expenses and tuition fees):

- **Living expenses:** UKVI sets the monthly amount for students in London at £1,529. You're required to show funds for a minimum of 9 months, totaling £13,761.
- **First-year tuition fees:** Refer to your offer letter for the tuition fee amount. Any deposits, scholarships, or fees already paid will be reflected on your CAS statement, reducing the total amount you need to show in your bank statement. For example, if you've paid the international deposit, the required amount for tuition fees in your bank statement will be adjusted accordingly.

## Evidence of official financial sponsorship or government sponsorship

To ensure compliance with UKVI regulations, specific guidelines regarding official financial sponsorship are in place. If you're financially sponsored during your studies, you'll need to provide a stamped letter from your official sponsor, affirming your sponsorship and their adherence to all UKVI requirements. For detailed information on these requirements, feel free to reach out to us at [ogsuk@nulondon.ac.uk](mailto:ogsuk@nulondon.ac.uk).

If your sponsor covers all your fees and living expenses, you won't need to submit a bank statement. However, in all other instances, a bank statement will be required.

Please provide us with a letter of confirmation from your official financial sponsor on letter-headed paper, bearing the organisation's official stamp. The letter should include:

- Your name
- The name and contact details of your official financial sponsor
- The date of the letter
- The duration of your sponsorship
- The amount of money the sponsor is giving you or a declaration that your sponsor will cover all your fees and living costs.

## Valid Tuberculosis (TB) Certificate

You will need to have a tuberculosis (TB) test if you are coming to the UK for more than 6 months and are resident in any of **these listed countries**. You must be tested at a clinic that the UKVI has approved. For which the list can be found [here](#).

## All qualifications detailed in your offer letter

You must provide us with copies of any final certificates and transcripts you receive outlining the qualifications we detailed in your offer letter. For example, this could be your IB Diploma, your A-level certificates, your High School certificate, your Bachelor's degree etc.

Your certificate or transcript must clearly show the following information:

- your name
- the title of the award or course
- the date of the award
- the name of the academic/awarding institution

Please note that we **cannot** accept provisional certificates.

If you are taking A-levels and have applied to Northeastern University London via UCAS, then we will receive your results automatically via UCAS. You will not need to send us anything separately but make sure you have your certificate ready for your visa appointment.

If you are taking the International Baccalaureate (IB), please remember to designate **Northeastern University London** as your recipient through the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO). This allows us to receive your qualification directly, eliminating the need for you to send it separately. However, ensure you have your certificate prepared for your visa appointment.

## English language test

You will need to provide us with an approved English language test if this was specified in your offer letter. For a list of accepted English language tests, please see **here**.

## Translation requirement

If your documents are not in English they **must** be fully translated into English by an official translator and contain all of the following information:

- Details of the translator/translation company's credentials
- Confirmation that it is an accurate translation of the original document
- The translator/translation company's contact details
- The date of the translation
- The original signature of the translator or an authorised official of the translation company

## Proof of permanent residency

You can only apply for a student visa in a country where you have the right to reside (e.g. You are a national of that country or you have permanent residence). You will need to provide evidence of your right to reside if you are applying in a different country to your nationality on the passport you are using for your application.





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