

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR **ALL NON-UK /NON-IRISH FULL TIME STUDENTS**

Dear Student,

We are required by the UK Home Office to obtain a copy of the visa/immigration status and passport id page for all non-UK students (excludes Irish nationals and those with indefinite leave to remain) and to check that you have a visa/immigration status that allows you to study before you can be enrolled at Oxford. If you were under 18 years old when you applied for your student visa, we also need to have a copy of the parental consent form that you sent to the Home Office.

What you need to do

You will also need to let us know the sharecode for your eVisa via this link: [View and prove your immigration status - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk). If you are here for less than six months e.g. a visiting student you may only have a vignette and not an eVisa.

If you are able to extend your visa in the UK e.g. moving from another UK college/university to Oxford we can accept evidence of a submitted visa application for Oxford to allow you to enrol. If you are starting a second (new) course at Oxford you must apply for a new visa before you begin or by 21 November 2025 at the latest even if your current Oxford visa expires later.

Check your visa expiry date: for student visas the expiry date should be an additional two months after your CAS end date if the course is less than 12 months long; if your course is 12 months or longer it should be an additional four months added to your CAS end date for the visa expiry date. As your visa will be issued in the format of an eVisa, make sure you log the expiry date somewhere as you must be careful **never to overstay** on your visa.

Make sure you arrived after your student visa start date: if not we cannot enrol you

- If you are outside the UK, you must have your visa approved before you travel to the UK. You cannot arrive as a visitor (or on ETA permission) and switch to a student visa in the UK as you would be refused entry to the UK and we cannot enrol you on the course and you would need to return home immediately. If your student visa application is delayed, then contact us or the department (graduate students) and we will discuss what we can do to help.
- If you recently entered the UK as a visitor or on ETA permission before your student visa start date, you cannot be enrolled and must leave the UK and re-enter after your student visa start date to activate that visa/permission. You cannot be enrolled until this has been done.

Home Office requirements and compliance

We know this is an additional requirement for you and there can be visa delays sometimes, but failure to do this means we are not permitted by the UK Government to let you commence your studies and we cannot make any exceptions. We are providing you this advance notice so there are no delays or enrolment issues when you arrive and so you can start the course on-time.

The student visa webpages also explain about your visa conditions whilst studying, work permission and what happens if your enrolment status changes during the course. You will receive a reminder about visa conditions and any visa updates in week 5 of each term from the Student Immigration team.