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Subject: Important information regarding immigration
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Dear Jemima

Greetings from the University of Warwick. In this email, we would like to give you some information in relation to Brexit and what this might mean for you in terms of immigration, visa, and fee status.

The Brexit transitional period ends at 11pm (GMT) on 31 December 2020. If you are a UK resident before 31 December 2020 (or were a UK resident but you are currently in your home country for a short visit), we trust that many of you have already secured settled or pre-settled status under the [EU Settlement Scheme](#). If you haven't, we would advise that you apply for the EU Settlement Scheme as soon as possible, with an aim to obtain the status before 31 December 2020 (end of transition) if possible, and no later than 30 June 2021 (end of grace period). The application is free and the application process is straight forward, and you can find step-by-step guidance and useful information on our [EEA National website](#).

Not lived in the UK before?

If you have not lived in the UK before, you will have continued right to free movement within the EU until 31 December 2020. This means you have the right to move to and reside freely in the UK as long as you arrive before 11pm on 31 December 2020. You can find more information including any conditions attached to your right to free movement on the [website of the European Union](#).

If you become a UK resident before 31 December 2020, you will not be required to apply for a visa in order to study in the UK. You will be able to travel to the UK the same way as you do now and you may go through the e-Gate if you hold a biometric passport. In terms of your fees status and eligibility for Student Support from England, you may wish to read the information on [UKCISA website](#) which sets out UK government advice for those who will start their studies in 2021/22. Your Admissions team will communicate your fee status to you (whether confirmed or

pending) when you receive an offer.

If you arrive in the UK before 11pm on 31 December 2020, you will need to make an application under the '[EU Settlement Scheme](#)' as soon as possible once you arrive, and no later than 30 June 2021 (it is a free and simple application). Once approved, you will receive a Pre-settled status visa, which is valid for 5 years. We advise you to apply as soon as possible because the period from 1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021 is considered a grace period and your lawful residence in the UK is best demonstrated via having secured either a pre-settled status or settled status under the scheme. This is especially important if you do not hold a Comprehensive Sickness Insurance or an EHIC card issued by the government of your country of nationality. If you need any help, do [get in touch with us](#).

Not lived in the UK before and arriving after 11pm on 31 December 2020

If you are currently outside the UK, you have not lived in the UK before, and you intend to arrive in the UK after 11pm on 31 December 2020, regardless of your course start date you will be subject to the new UK immigration rules. This means:

- ▶ If you are coming to study for longer than 6 months, you will need to apply for a UK Student visa from your home country before travelling to the UK. This requires a visa application fee of £348, payment of Immigration Health Surcharge (£470 per year of visa), and you will need to prepare financial documents. You will also need to [request a CAS](#) from the Admissions service, once you have accepted an unconditional offer. Usually the CAS process starts 3-4 months before your course start date and you will be contacted by email nearer the time.
- ▶ If you are coming to study a course which lasts six months or less (for example, as an incoming study abroad student or a visiting researcher) and you are travelling to the UK using a passport, then you can apply for a Visitor visa on arrival in the UK and you will be permitted to study for up to 6 months with that visa. See our [Standard Visitor visa webpage](#) for more information.

In terms of your fees status and eligibility for Student Support from England, you may wish to read the information on the [UKCISA website](#), which sets out UK government advice for those who will start their studies in 2021/22. Your Admissions team will communicate your fees status to you (whether confirmed or pending) when you receive an offer.

Warwick Undergraduate Global Excellence Scholarship

The University of Warwick will offer 250 Scholarships to international fee-paying students for 2021 entry. This is a commitment to international diversity being at the

heart of our decision to offer undergraduate financial support for the 2021 academic year. We greatly value the contribution of our students (and indeed staff) travelling from outside the UK to study and contribute to our campus diversity that makes up our community. We hope that the expansion of financial support may make study possible for more high-achieving students.

The new Warwick Undergraduate Global Excellence Scholarship Scheme will be available for international students (including EU and non-EU students) who hold an offer with the University for an Undergraduate course for 2021. We will offer:

- ▶ **20 full tuition fee scholarships**
- ▶ **160 scholarships of £13,000**
- ▶ **70 scholarships of £2,000**

Further information on the Warwick Undergraduate Global Excellence Scholarship Scheme can be found [here](#).

All the best,

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