Dear [Student preferred name],

Greetings from the Student Immigration & Compliance Team, part of <u>Student Opportunity</u> at the University of Warwick.

We are writing to you to offer you some information and reassurance about your situation as an EU/EEA/Swiss student in relation to the UK's exit from the European Union (Brexit). This email is to inform you a bit more about Brexit, your immigration options and to let you know that the University's Immigration team is keeping a close eye on the changing landscape and is here to offer help and advice.

The University is also offering <u>drop-in sessions</u> to answer questions in relation to your immigration status and wider concerns/impact of Brexit to European students. Please ensure that you have read the information on our website before attending the drop-in session with specific immigration queries: https://warwick.ac.uk/about/brexit/

Overview

The UK government has published a self-assessment tool on how to get ready for Brexit: https://www.gov.uk/brexit. As it stands, the UK is due to leave the European Union on 31 October 2019 (referred as 'exit day' below).

<u>EEA nationals</u> (including Swiss nationals) and their family members who are currently studying, or, are applying to study at the University of Warwick, can find useful information about their right to study in the UK following Brexit, as well as how and when to apply under the 'EU Settlement Scheme' on our dedicated website:

https://warwick.ac.uk/immigration/eea/

EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS)

In advance of the UK's exit from the EU on the 'Exit Day', the UK government has committed to protect the rights of EU citizens and their family members currently living in the UK (including that of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland). This includes the right to live here, to study, work and access public services such as healthcare. To retain these rights beyond 31 December 2020, EU citizens and their family members must apply for UK immigration status under the EU Settlement Scheme. Further detail on the Settlement Scheme can be found on <u>GOV.UK</u>.

This means that if you are currently studying in the UK, or, are coming to study in the UK before the 'Exit Day', and intend to remain in the UK after 31 December 2020 (or, if you are undecided but want to keep your options open), then you will have between now and at least 31 December 2020 to apply for EUSS.

The University is committed to providing support to help you register your right to live and study in the UK post-BREXIT. To find out more about this scheme and assistance that we offer, visit our <u>FAQ</u> <u>for Students</u> webpage.

The EU Settlement Scheme App requires an Android based phone (it is not currently compatible with iPhones). You can borrow anyone's Android phone as the application only takes a few minutes and

does not store any person data. However, if you do not have any friends or family with an Android phone then you are more than welcome to use the phone based in our office. Please make sure that you bring your passport with you.

See our address and opening hours here: https://warwick.ac.uk/immigration/openinghours/.

There are also a few helpful Youtube videos regarding the EUSS: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=73M5zBNcTTA – General Information https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=2&v=5KxquWDt6yA – Application Guidance

Leaving the EU with or without a deal

Click on the DEAL or NO DEAL image below to view the flowchart with information on what happens if the UK leaves the EU with or without a deal (an EU Withdrawal Agreement), including how this may affect your dependants.

More information on what if the UK leaves the EU with a deal can be found on GOV website.

The government's intention on what if the UK leaves the EU without a deal is also outlined in detail in a <u>Policy Paper</u> published on 5 September 2019.





We will provide the most up to date news on Brexit and further information about your right to access health care once the UK leaves the EU on our webpage below. Please make sure that you check back regularly for any updates:

https://warwick.ac.uk/immigration/eea/

Any further questions, do not hesitate to contact us directly: https://warwick.ac.uk/immigration/current/connect/

Kind regards

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