

# welcome

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Welcome from the Student Visa Advice Service.

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Let's meet the team and look at some of the important things you should know now you're a student at Warwick.

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Our advice team has over 25 years experience helping students and we'd love to hear from you.

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We offer one to one appointments, interactive Q&A sessions, e-mail advice and an easy to use website.

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Visit us in Senate House, right in the heart of Warwick campus or contact us using the links on our website.

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The Immigration Service offer advice and assistance for student visa applications, whether made inside the UK or overseas.

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We can advise on applications for your dependent family members too, and on other UK visa options such as the Visitor routes.

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We'll help get you enrolled on your course and ensure that you stay registered by checking your right of study, as well as helping you understand your work rights while you're in the UK.

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We're here for you throughout your Warwick journey, so if your circumstances change, get in touch and we'll guide you through it.

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And before you graduate, we'll make sure you have all the information you need on post study work visa options.

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You must complete course registration before your latest course start date and re enrol before each year of your programme.

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Provide the University with up to Ensure your contact details are correct on My Warwick, remembering to update your address and phone number whenever they change.

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Do not breach the conditions of your visa by working too many hours or doing the work that is not allowed.

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Engage with your course of study and noted by your department.

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If you'll be absent and before your visa expires, either extend your leave, switch into another visa category or leave the UK.

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If you have a student visa, you should be aware of the University's obligations to the Home Office as your visa sponsor and what this might mean for your immigration permission should your situation change.

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We must inform UKVI of any changes to your registration status, such as temporary withdrawal or cause transfers.

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Any break in studies, such as temporary withdrawal, will usually result in the curtailment of your student visa, known as curtailment.

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This means you cannot stay in the UK on your student visa while not actually studying and will need to get a new visa before you can resume your course.

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Your visa has been issued for study at Warwick, so if you decide you'd rather study somewhere else, you'll need to get a new visa sponsored by your preferred university.

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Changing course might mean you need to extend your existing visa or replace it all together.

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Contact us so we can guide you and make sure you understand the implications.

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Your immigration permission will state whether or not you have the right to work while in the UK and any other conditions such as the type of work you could do and how many hours you're allowed.

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If you hold a student visa, you are allowed to work part time during term time and full time before and after the course end dates on your CARES and during official university vacations.

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You may accept a temporary or fixed term contract and can volunteer for a registered charity.

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You can also undertake an approved work placement as part of your course, provided it is integral and assessed and does not make up more than 50% of the duration of the course.

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UKVI are developing a digital immigration system to replace physical documents such as visa vignettes and VRPS with an online record of your immigration status.

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This is known as an evisa.

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The Home Office have produced a video guide that explains this in greater detail.

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Updating your physical document to an evisa does not affect your immigration status or the conditions of your permission to enter or stay in the UK.

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If you have a BRP with an expiry date of 31st of December 2024, you'll need to create a UKVI account to view your digital status online.

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If you apply for your visa from inside the UK, then you should already have a UKVI account and will be able to view your digital visa now.

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UKVI have created a video guide to assist in applying for a UKVI account.

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Thank you for watching.

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We hope that you've found this useful and look forward to hearing from you.