



Student Visa - stay of more than 90 days (national visa, category D)

General Information:

An application for a student visa must be submitted at the counter of the Swiss Embassy/Consulate in your country of residence. **The applicant has to apply personally; minors (under 18 years of age) must be accompanied by both parents / legal guardians.**

Required documents:

1. **Three [visa application](#) forms**
duly filled in, dated and signed by the applicant, for minors signatures of both parents or legal guardians are required.
2. **Passport (original) and two photocopies of the passport of personal data page**
with an expiry date not later than three months after expiry date of the visa
3. **Three passport-size photographs (attach them on the application form)**
recently taken, size 35 mm x 45 mm, light background, no headgear (with the exception of religious coverings, provided the face is free) – must meet [Schengen requirements](#)
4. **Registration confirmation**
letter from the School or University
5. **Payment confirmation**
of school fees (if applicable)
6. **Diplomas and school transcript certificates from the latest educational institution**
7. **CV**
8. **Letter of motivation**
personal letter from the applicant describing previous education, purpose of studying in Switzerland and future plans
9. **Written commitments**
to leave Switzerland after the intended stay
10. **Proof of sufficient financial means**
bank statement for the whole duration of the studies, or at least for the first year in the case of a longer study period.
11. **Minors (under 18 years of age) going alone to study:**
 - Minor's family relation certificate in English (legalized with an Apostille*) and one copy
 - signed passport copy of parents
 - a signed declaration of consent from both parents stating that the minor can go and study alone

Please submit above documents in 3 sets.

	<u>Set 1</u>	<u>Set 2</u>	<u>Set 3</u>
1	Visa application	Visa application	Visa application
2	Passport copy	Passport copy	passport-size photograph
3	passport-size photograph	passport-size photograph	
4	Registration confirmation	Registration confirmation	
5	Payment confirmation	Payment confirmation	
6	Diplomas and school transcript certificates	Diplomas and school transcript certificates	
7	CV	CV	
8	Letter of motivation	Letter of motivation	
9	Written commitment	Written commitment	
10	Proof of sufficient financial means	Proof of sufficient financial means	
11	If minor, documents from no. 11	If minor, documents from no. 11	

Submitted documents will not be returned.

The Embassy reserves the right to ask for further documents or information if necessary.

Process

To ascertain linguistic proficiency of the student, the Embassy of Switzerland requires a short, oral language test, so **reservation is needed by phone or by email.**

Your application will be forwarded to the competent office for migration in Switzerland for decision. Please note that the procedure takes at least 8 to 12 weeks.

Once the authorization has been given, you will have to bring your original passport to the competent Swiss representation for the visa to be issued. This can take up to five working days.

Fees

Generally, student visas are issued free of charge.

For master and doctoral students

Please read the [legal notice](#) regarding leaving Switzerland after completion of studies. It is not applicable if the goal of the studies is to achieve a Swiss tertiary degree.

The submission of a complete file does not guarantee the granting of a visa. In case of a refusal, the Embassy of Switzerland is not liable for any costs that might have occurred in the application process.

Seoul, July 2023

***Address for getting Apostille**
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