



# Checklist for a *Study* visa

## 1 Application and applicant details

AVATS reference number:		Current passport number:	
First name / Given name:		VFS VAC location:	
Surname / Family name:		Submission date:	

## 2 Summary information

If you want to study in Ireland for longer than 90 days, you must choose a course from the *Interim List of Eligible Programmes* (ILEP), which includes English Language programmes lasting at least 25 weeks, Higher Education programmes (from level 6 to 10 on the National Framework of Qualifications), Professional Awards and Foundation programmes. The ILEP is available online <https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-third-level-course-or-a-language-course/#eligiblecourses>.

## 3 Document checklist

The following documents are required when applying for a visa; however, the Embassy of Ireland, and the Irish Immigration Service, reserve the right to seek additional documents as appropriate to the application:

#	Category	Sub-category	Comments	For use by VFS only		
				Submitted?		LIDPro container
				Yes	No	
1.1	Application form, VFS receipt and completed checklist	AVATS application form	<i>The online completed form must be printed, signed and dated by the applicant.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Visa application form
1.2		Payment receipt and checklist	<i>If applying through VFS you must provide a printed copy of your VFS payment receipt, showing the same visa application number (IRLXXXXXXX) as per 1.1. You must also supply this completed checklist.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.1	Identity documents	Passport photos	<i>Two photos meeting the following requirements: <a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/photograph-rules-for-visa-applications/">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/photograph-rules-for-visa-applications/</a></i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	-
2.2		Current passport	<i>Must be valid for at least 12 months after the date of arrival in Ireland.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Travel documents submitted
2.3		Copies of previous passport(s)	<i><b>Photocopies only</b> of the biographic pages and all stamps/visas from any previous passports. Blank pages do not need to be copied. Details of any lost or missing passports should be mentioned in 3.1.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicants Previous Passport(s)
3.1	Purpose of travel	Application letter	<i>Outline the reasons for travelling. State whether you have any family members of friends in Ireland or the United Kingdom, and if so list their details.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Visa application form
4.1	Letter of acceptance	A valid offer to study a course listed on the ILEP	<i>Provide a letter from the HEI confirming your <b>unconditional placement</b> on an <b>eligible course</b> of study in Ireland. The letter should confirm that you have been accepted and enrolled on a course of full-time education, involving a minimum of 15 hours organised daytime tuition each week, give details of the course that you will be studying, the fees payable, the amount of fees that you have paid and whether your provider has taken out medical insurance on your behalf, if applicable.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant's Planned Irish Education
5.1	Proof of fee payments	Confirmation from HEI that requisite fees have been paid	<i>Provide evidence that you have paid the requisite fees at time of visa application.  Where the course fees are less than €6,000, you must pay fees in full to the college before to applying for your visa. Where the course fees are more than €6,000, you must pay at least this amount before applying for your visa. Evidence of this should be visible in your letter of acceptance.  This minimum amount is an Immigration requirement. However, your course provider may ask for full payment of fees.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant's Planned Irish Education



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5.2		Electronic transfer of funds (ETFs)	You must provide copies of ETFs to the Irish Bank of the HEI, showing the beneficiary's name, address, bank details and the same details for sender or a valid receipt showing that the course fees have been lodged to an approved student fees payment service. For example, the electronic fee payment service offered by Pay to Study, formerly known as International Student Payments Service (ISPS).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant's Planned Irish Education
6.1	Ability to undertake the chosen course	Previous educational qualifications (inc. DigiLocker)	You must provide evidence that you have the ability to all follow your chosen course. This must include all qualification awards <sup>1</sup> and individual semester mark sheets. <b>Where possible, applicants from India should also submit DigiLocker versions of their qualifications alongside originals.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant's Qualifications / Education History
6.2		English language certification	Provide a certificate from an accepted test provider to show you have the required English language ability: <a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/english-language-requirements-for-study-visas/">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/english-language-requirements-for-study-visas/</a> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6.3		Employment history	If applicable, provide evidence of your employment history since leaving fulltime education. Evidence should include up-to-date letters from your current employer, recent payslips, letters of resignation from previous employers etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant's Employment Documents
7.1	Finances	Personal finances	An overview of the finances you must show is available online: <a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-fee-paying-private-primary-or-secondary-school/information-on-student-finances/">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-fee-paying-private-primary-or-secondary-school/information-on-student-finances/</a> . You must provide personal bank statements.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant's Financial Evidence
7.2		Sponsored finances	For any sponsors, you must provide signed letters of sponsorship and copies of their national identity documents. Gold valuations, chit funds and volatile funds (crypto or market-linked funds) are not accepted. Funds should be liquid and in verifiable bank accounts.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Appropriate 'Sponsor' containers
7.3		Financial summary form (FSF)	The FSF attempts to help you understand and summarise your financial requirements: <a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-visa-options/how-to-apply-for-long-term-study-visa/#guide">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-visa-options/how-to-apply-for-long-term-study-visa/#guide</a> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant's Financial Evidence
8.1	Medical insurance	Private medical insurance	Private Medical Insurance cover is required. <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other / Miscellaneous Documents
8.1	Criminal history check	Police clearance certificates	You must provide a police clearance certificate (PCC) for any country where you held residence permission (including Ireland or the United Kingdom) in the five years prior to your application.  For country of current residence PCCs should be dated within six months of application. For countries of previous residence, within six month of departure.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other / Miscellaneous Documents
9.1	Visa refusals	Previous visa refusals	Provide a letter detailing any refusals (country, reason for travel, dates, reasons for refusal etc.) and the refusal letters from the issuing country. If unavailable, explain why.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other / Miscellaneous Documents

## 4 Additional VFS comments<sup>3</sup>

## 5 Applicant declaration

I, the applicant, understand that a decision will be made based on the above documents that I have submitted. ☒

VAC officer signature:

Applicant signature:

Date of signatures:

<sup>1</sup> Secondary level qualifications are only required when you are applying for a level 7 or 8 bachelor degree in Ireland.

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-fee-paying-private-primary-or-secondary-school/private-medical-insurance/>.

<sup>3</sup> Where documents are not provided or any particular issues arise at the VAC, please outline here.

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