

Student Visa Internship Visa

Spanish Consulate in Edinburgh

General information

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:

Spanish Consulate in Edinburgh website (english version)/ Consular services/ Visas/
Study visa

<https://www.exteriores.gob.es/Consulados/edimburgo/en/ServiciosConsulares/Paginas/Consular/Visado-de-estudios.aspx>

ENQUIRIES AND APPOINTMENTS: cog.edimburgo.vis@maec.es

CONSULATE ADDRESS:

63 North Castle Street

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Edinburgh

General information

WHEN AND WHERE

- Application has to be made in person at the Spanish Consulate in Edinburgh.
- Note that you must arrange an appointment well in advance through cog.edimburgo.vis@maec.es.
- Visa process can take up to 1 month, or even more if there are further requirements
- Be aware that your visa application will not be accepted if any documents, apart from the ACRO police certificate and the medical certificate, are missing. If the application is not accepted, a new appointment will be required.

FEES

The Visa administration fee is £ 68,95. Non-refundable

British reciprocity for student visas: £ 174 (for studies longer than 6 months)

Student visa_ Aimed to

This type of Visa is required when you would like to stay in Spain for more than 90 days. This Visa will allow the applicant to develop any of the following options:

- 1 Studies in a recognized Centre, on a full time basis, which will allow the applicant to a title at the end of the course.
- 2 Realization of activities of investigation.
- 3 Participate on mobility programs between Universities.
- 4 Realization of Voluntary services that pursue achievements of general interest for the community.
- 5 Language assistants.

Please be aware that an internship visa will be required (not a student visa) if you plan to do an internship in Spain and you have obtained a higher education degree in the two years preceding the date of application for the authorization or you are currently pursuing studies leading to a high education degree.

Student visa_ requirements

PHOTOCOPIES OF ALL ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS MUST BE PROVIDED AT THE TIME OF THE APPOINTMENT

- 1 Complete passport or travel document valid for the entire duration of the stay and recognized by the Spanish Authorities with at least 2 blank pages and photocopy of the first page.
- 2 One completely filled and signed National Visa Application Form.
- 3 Visa fee, when applicable.
- 4 One recent passport colour photograph. (No more than six months old).
- 5 For non-British citizens: A UK residence permit valid for at least 3 months. It can be either in form of Visa stamped on the applicant's passport or a Residency Card.
- 6 Public or private medical insurance arranged with an insurance company authorized to operate in Spain, which covers the entire period of stay and all types of healthcare without limitations, co-payments or deductibles. Please note that neither a Travel Insurance nor the European Health Card is valid, as they only cover emergencies. Conversely, GHIC is accepted. Most University Health Insurance are valid.

Student visa requirements_ acceptance letter

- 7 Documentation accrediting the case of the student visa:
 - * Completion or extension of studies: Letter of acceptance issued by an authorized teaching center in Spain, for the completion of a complete program. It must include the Study Plan, the start and end dates, and it must be stamped and signed. Proof of tuition payment must also be provided.
 - * Carrying out research or training activities: Proof of having been admitted to an officially recognized center in Spain to carry out research or training activities.
 - * Participation in a student mobility program: Documentation that accredits
 - Have been admitted to an officially recognized secondary school, high school or scientific center.
 - Have been admitted to a student mobility program through an officially recognized organization.
 - That the mobility organization is responsible for the student during their stay, in particular for the cost of studies, expenses of stay and return to their country.

Student visa requirements_ financial means

- 8 Means of maintenance in Spain (as of 2023) in form of 600€ per month for the main applicant (approx. £510). Means of maintenance can be proven by one of the following documents:
 - A detailed personal bank statement for the last 6 months in € or £.
 - Proof of having obtained a scholarship.
 - Letter from the university covering all the costs related to accommodation and meals.
 - *If the applicant's parents are going to be responsible for their support while studying:
 - A written signed letter declaring their commitment to do so.
 - Proof of their financial means (bank statements for the last 6 months in € or £)
 - Parents' passports and photocopies.
 - Applicant's original birth Certificate and photocopy.

Student visa requirements_ certificates

- 9 For stays **over 6 months**: Medical (Health) Certificate signed and stamped by a registered doctor. This Certificate must literally state that the Applicant “does not suffer of any illness which represents a risk or a danger for the public according to the International Health Regulations of 2005”. The document must be translated by a Sworn Translator only, and with the Hague Apostille. This certificate should be issued within three months prior to submitting the application.
- 10 For stays **over 6 months**: Certificate of Good Conduct issued by the country or countries where the applicant has resided in the past five years. The document must be translated by a Sworn Translator only, and with the Hague Apostille. This certificate should be issued within three months prior to submitting the application. Please note that for UK certificates of Good Conduct, the ACRO certificate is the valid one, not so the ” Basic Disclosure Scotland certificate”.

Translations and legalizations

- Translations must be done by a Sworn Translator registered in Spain. Please follow the link below to find a registered sworn translator
<https://www.exteriores.gob.es/es/ServiciosAlCiudadano/Paginas/Traductores-Interpretes-Jurados.aspx>
- For those documents that require to be legalized with the Hague Apostille, please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/get-document-legalised>

The Hague Apostille does not need to be translated into Spanish.

Only original documents are required to be legalized, not the translations.

11 A prepaid “Special Delivery” envelope, up to 500 grams.

After obtaining the visa

- If you have applied for a visa for longer than 6 months, then you would have obtained a 90 days Visa. The 90 days indicated on your Visa is the time you have to enter Spain.
 - Once in Spain, you have one month to apply for the TIE (Tarjeta de Identidad de Extranjero). You will need to go in person to the “Policia Nacional” or to the “Oficina de Extranjería” corresponding to your place of residence.
 - Remember that your passport needs to be stamped when you get to the border. Otherwise, the TIE could be refused and so would your legal right to stay in Spain.
- * Although the whole process of the student authorization can be done in Spain, we strongly recommend you to do it through the Consulates*

Internship visa_

Important considerations

- Through an internship agreement or a training work contract.
- The process must start in Spain by the host entity before the Delegación or Subdelegación del Gobierno of the province where the internship program will be developed, in order to get the residence Authorization for Internships required to process the visa.
- Applicants cannot apply for the visa without the Positive Resolution from the Spanish Authorities.
- British citizens will not require a visa for internships that are less than 3 months long, whether they are paid or unpaid. The same applies to individuals who are exempt from the obligation of having a visa to cross the borders of the EU for short terms stays.

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Requirements

- 1 Passport or travel document. Original and a photocopy of the page or pages of the passport that contain biometric data. The passport must have a minimum validity period of 1 year and contain two blank pages. Passports issued more than 10 years ago will not be accepted.
- 2 One completely filled and signed National Visa Application Form.
- 3 One recent passport photograph (no more than six months old).
- 4 For non-British citizens: A UK residence permit valid for at least 3 months. It can be either in form of Visa stamped on the applicant's passport or a Residency Card.
- 5 Residence Authorization for Internships, (Law 14/2013 DA 18^a), provided by the Spanish host entity through the Foreign Office in Spain.

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- 6 Police Certificate issued by the country or countries where the applicant has resided in the past 2 years. The document must be translated by a Sworn Translator and legalised with the Hague Apostille if the country is a member. Otherwise the document must be verified by the Spanish authorities in the country of issuance. Only the ACRO police certificate is valid for the UK, the disclosure Scotland certificate will not be accepted for this visa application. The certificate must have been issued within the 3 months prior to the visa application being submitted.
- Additionally, a statement must be provided where the applicant states the lack of a criminal record in any country they have been a resident in the past 5 years.
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Q&A

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