#### An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha Department of Foreign Affairs



# 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 <a href="https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-third-level-course-or-a-language-course/#eligiblecourses">https://www.irishimmigration.ie/coming-to-study-in-ireland/what-are-my-study-options/a-third-level-course-or-a-language-course/#eligiblecourses</a>.

#### 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	Sub-category Comments	For use by VFS only		
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				Yes	No	container
1.1	Application form, VFS receipt and	AVATS application form	The online completed form must be printed, signed and dated by the applicant.			Visa application form
1.2	completed checklist	VFS payment receipt and checklist	If applying through VFS you must provide a printed copy of your VFS payment receipt, showing the same visa application number (IRLXXXXXXXX) as per 1.1. You must also supply this completed checklist.			
2.1	Identity documents	Passport photos	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>			-
2.2		Current passport	Must be valid for at least 3 months after the date you plan to leave Ireland.  The applicant must provide a full paper copy of their passport.			Travel documents submitted
2.3		Previous passport(s)	A full paper copy of previous passports must also be supplied. If passports are lost or stolen, submit a letter to state the same and any police reports to confirm the same.			Applicants Previous Passport(s)
3.1	Purpose of travel	Application letter	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.			Visa application form
4.1	Letter of acceptance	A valid offer to study a course listed on the ILEP	Provide a letter from the HEI outlining the course, which you have been offered a place onto, and any conditions of the offer. The letter must give details of the course that you will be studying, state the amount of fees payable for your course, state the amount of fees that you have paid and, if applicable, state whether the HEI has taken out medical insurance on your behalf.			Applicant's Planned Irish Education
5.1	Proof of fee payments	Confirmation from HEI that requisite fees have been paid	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, the college you wish to attend may ask for full payment of fees.			Applicant's Planned Irish Education



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5.2		Electronic transfer of funds (EFTs)	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).			Applicant's Planned Irish Education
6.1		Previous educational qualifications	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.			Applicant's Qualifications / Education
6.2	course	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> .			History
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.			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.			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.			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> .			Applicant's Financial Evidence
8.1	Medical insurance	Private medical insurance	Private Medical Insurance cover is required: <a href="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/">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/</a> .			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 in the five years prior to your application. If you will be providing biometrics at your VFS appointment, then you do not need to provide PCCs for previous residence in Ireland or the UK. All PCCs must have been issued within six months of your visa submission date.			Other / Miscellaneous Documents
	Visa refusals	Previous visa refusals	Provide a letter detailing the refusals (country, reason for travel, dates, reasons for refusal etc.) and refusal letters from the issuing country. If			Other / Miscellaneous

## 5 Applicant declaration

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

### 6 DigiLocker consent

As a resident of India, I consent to having my documents verified through DigiLocker, if required.

VAC officer	Applicant	Date of
signature:	signature:	signatures:

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

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2}$  Where documents are not provided or any particular issues arise at the VAC, please outline here.