



**Bournemouth  
University**

## **Supporting documents checklist**

***for BU students applying for / extending a  
Tier 4 (General) student visa in the UK or overseas***

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**This information is specific to applying for / extending a Tier 4 (General) student visa to be able to study at BU and is based on the [Immigration Rules](#) and [policy guidance](#) as well as [BU's own policies](#). All information is correct at the time of publication.**

This simple checklist will remind you of the necessary supporting documents for your Tier 4 (General) student visa application in the UK or overseas. You can use it as a cover for your visa application 'pack' to see what you have already prepared and what you will still need. For more information on the specific requirements these documents must meet individually, please visit the links in this checklist. Please note that you must have the original of these documents in your possession but you can use good quality, legible copies\* for the visa application.

- Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) from BU**
- Certificate(s) / transcript(s) of qualification(s) – only the ones mentioned in your CAS**
- Evidence of maintenance (fees and living expenses): bank statement / bank letter / savings book / certificate of deposit / loan letter / official financial sponsorship letter**
- \*Passport(s) / Travel document(s) – the original will be needed as well**

plus any of the below that are applicable to you

- Biometric Residence Permit (BRP)**
- Police Registration Certificate**
- Tuberculosis screening certificate**
- Academic Technology Approval Scheme (ATAS) certificate**
- Proof of identity, relationship and maintenance for your dependants**

The Home Office will assess if your purpose to come to the UK is genuinely to study and that your intention is to leave the UK afterwards – even if you may become eligible for switching visas. Therefore, for all applications made overseas, we recommend that you submit some evidence to show your connections (personal or professional / official) to your home country.

Our Immigration Compliance and Advice Team offers free visa application and supporting document preparation and checking assistance to all BU applicants and current students (subject to availability). Please visit the [BU website](#) or [contact AskBU](#) to find out how you can use our services.

For more on visas and studying in the UK, we recommend you also visit the [UK Council for International Student Affairs \(UKCISA\) website](#). They have lots of concise and student friendly information and guidance online as well as a telephone advice line.