

## Student visa requirements

The following documents are required to be submitted with a student visa application.

### **Offer of place**

Evidence of an offer of place, from a New Zealand education provider, in a full-time course that meets foreign student requirements.

### **Evidence of maintenance**

You must submit evidence of sufficient funds for maintenance during your stay in New Zealand. The evidence you provide should also include:

- ▶ education loan sanction letter from a nationalised or multi-national bank only. For Sri Lankan applicants evidence of funds must be from a CBSL authorised institution
- ▶ latest bank statements over the past six months. Statements should be no more than one week old at the time the application is lodged. We will not accept balance statements on their own as evidence of maintenance
- ▶ fixed deposits. Ensure that a copy/counterfoil of the fixed deposit, along with a letter from the bank which gives details of the deposit, is provided
- ▶ public provident fund accounts/employers provident fund accounts
- ▶ post office accounts
- ▶ national saving certificates.

You are required to provide evidence of your parents' income and source of income. This is required even when the cost of study is being sponsored by another person.

**Note:** If the duration of your course is longer than two academic years, you should provide a plan of payment to show that you have access to funds and have the ability to meet the rest of the course cost and living expenses.

Property Valuation, Agricultural Income Certificate, Sales deeds etc are not acceptable forms of evidence for demonstrating availability of funds and payment plan.

See the [study pages on the main Immigration New Zealand website](#) for more information about student visa requirements.

### **Funds Transfer Scheme (available to Indian and Sri Lankan students)**

A system has been put in place wherein you may choose to transfer 12 months' living expenses to a bank account in New

Zealand, in addition to paying the tuition fee for one year. The amount deposited in the bank is locked for a period of 12 months and then drip fed to you on a prearranged basis.

Read more information about the [Funds Transfer Scheme](#).

## **Evidence of employment**

If you are working, and/or have worked in the past, please provide all work references from your employers on official company letterhead, along with any other documentary evidence that demonstrates that you have been employed. The company address and phone number must be included on the letter.

## **Health and character requirements**

You must have an acceptable standard of [health](#) and meet INZ's [character](#) requirements in order to receive a student visa.

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