

Office for Students registration: Student visa privileges by UK college

Our registration with the Office for Students (OfS) means many students who were granted a Student visa on or after 24 November 2020¹ will now have access to certain privileges, such as being able to undertake paid or unpaid work during their pathway course and submitting an alternative proof of English language to a UKVI-approved Secure English Language Test (SELT) as part of their visa application.

Which benefits students may be eligible for varies according to their college and course type. **Please see the table below for full details.**

As an OfS Registered Provider, Kaplan has to ensure:

- Delivery of well-designed courses that offer a high-quality academic experience for all students.
- Support for students, from admission through to completion.
- Students' outcomes allow further study awards / qualifications that hold their value over time, in line with recognised standards.
- Compliance with consumer protection laws for all students.
- Publication of a Student Protection Plan.
- Information provision is accurate and current, enabling students to make informed decisions on their choice of pathway college, study plan and university.

College/Programmes	Work up to 20 hours per week in term time or full-time in holidays	Work up to 10 hours per week in term time or full-time in holidays	Apply for a Student visa without submitting a UKVI-approved SELT ²
Bournemouth University International College			
Foundation Certificate		•	
International Year One	•		•
Pre-Master's		•	
Glasgow International College			
Foundation Certificate		•	
Pre-Master's		•	
Kaplan International College London			
Foundation Certificate		•	
International Year One	•		•
Pre-Master's		•	
Pre-Doctorate		•	
Nottingham Trent International College			
Foundation Certificate		•	
International Year One	•		•
Pre-Master's		•	
University of Birmingham			
Foundation pathways		•	

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University of Brighton International College			
Foundation Certificate		●	
International Year One	●		●
Pre-Master's		●	
University of Bristol International Foundation Programme			
Foundation		●	
University of Essex International College			
As providers need to have continuously held education oversight for 4 years and passed 4 consecutive UKVI compliance assessments in order to access privileges, regardless of OFS registration, students at the University of Essex International College will not be eligible for these privileges until at least the 2021/22 academic year.			
University of Liverpool International College			
Foundation Certificate		●	
Pre-Master's		●	
University of Nottingham International College			
Foundation Certificate		●	
Pre-Master's		●	
Pre-Doctorate		●	
University of Nottingham Engineering and Physical Sciences Foundation Certificate			
Foundation Certificate		●	
University of York International Pathway College			
Foundation Certificate		●	
Pre-Master's ³	●		●
UWE Bristol's International College			
Foundation Certificate		●	
International Year One	●		●
Pre-Master's		●	

¹ This date does not apply to students studying one of the following courses, where these privileges were already in place:

- Glasgow International College courses
- University of Birmingham foundation pathways
- University of Bristol International Foundation Programme
- University of Nottingham Engineering and Physical Sciences Foundation Certificate
- University of York International Pathway College courses

² If they have an English language level equivalent to UKVI IELTS 5.5, in all skills or higher.

³ Pre-Master's courses at the University of York International Pathway College are classified as university-level programmes, and therefore offer the same privileges as an International Year One.

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