

Embassy of Switzerland in Russia

Student visa; stay of more than 90 days (national Visa, type D)

For applicants intending to study in Switzerland for more than 90 days.

All documents have to be submitted in German, French, Italian or English or with a legalized translation.

Applicants have to submit **personally** the following documents 3 months before the beginning of studies:

- 1. 3 application forms <u>"Application for a long stay visa (visa D)"</u> duly completed (German, French, Italian or English) and signed by the applicant in person.
- 2. Passport which must be valid for at least three months after the date of the first departure from the Schengen area and containing at least two blank pages.
- 3. 2 copies of the applicant's passport (pages with photo, personal data and signature).
- 4. 2 copies of the last two Schengen visas (if applicable).
- 5. 4 identical, recent passport photos meeting the <u>Schengen requirements</u>; 3 glued on the application forms, one loose.
- 6. Confirmation/matriculation letter from the school or university original and copy.
- 7. Confirmation of payment of tuition and other fees original and 1 copy.
- 8. Sponsorship letter of the sponsor in German, French, Italian or English + 1 copy, 2 copies of the sponsor's passport, solvency proof of the sponsor (bank account for the last three months or balance of the account), translated (German, French, Italian or English) and legalized + 1 copy.
- 9. Previous diplomas and school certificates original and 2 copies, translated (German, French, Italian or English) and legalized.
- 10. Study plan in German, French, Italian or English with general information about the chosen study program and plans after graduation + 1 copy.
- 11. CV in German, French, Italian or English + 1 copy.
- 12. Motivation letter in German, French, Italian or English with information about the reasons to study in Switzerland + 1 copy.
- 13. Obligation to leave Switzerland upon completion of the studies signed by the applicant + 1 copy.

For children under 18 years of age additionally:

- 14. Birth certificate original and 2 copies, translated (German, French, Italian or English) and legalized.
- 15. Legalized parental authorization for a child to live abroad with a legalized translation (German, French, Italian or English) + 1 copy.

For third country nationals:

All non-Russian citizens living in Russia have to be legal residents of the Russian Federation and need to present the relevant documents (residence permit, long-term visa or FMS registration), translated (German, French, Italian or English) and legalized - original and 2 copies.

The Embassy of Switzerland reserves the right to request additional documents.

To ascertain the student's linguistic proficiency, the Embassy of Switzerland will conduct an oral language test (the applicant must come personally).

The visa application will be forwarded to the responsible migration authority in Switzerland. The responsible authorities in Switzerland may request further documents. The Swiss Embassy can issue a visa only upon receipt of the authorization. Please note that the procedure takes approximately 6 - 12 weeks.

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