Visa Section

National visa D for the purpose of studies in Switzerland (stay of more than 3 months)

You must apply for a national Visa D at the Regional Consular Centre in Bangkok for the purpose of studies; the national Visa D must then be approved by the migration office responsible for your canton of residence in Switzerland.	
35 North Wireless Road (Thanon Witthayu Nuea), Lumphini, Pathum Wan, Bangkok 10330: Map	
Opening hours are Monday - Friday, 09h00 - 11h30, please book an appointment.	
Please note any <u>Public holidays</u> .	
(Students going to the Canton of Lucerne LU, refer to **)	
3x Application form for a National Visa D: https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html	
 Fully completed Dated and personally signed 	
4x recent, identical <u>passport photo</u> , 3.5 x 4 cm, good quality, in colour, neutral light background (head size 70 - 80 % of the photo)	0
Valid passport at least 90 days beyond the date of intended entry, at least 2 blank pages	
Two photocopies of the passport - Name page	
Registration confirmation - school/university, original & 1 photocopy OR 2 photocopies (original will be returned)	
Payment confirmation - school fees, original & 1 photocopy OR 2 photocopies (original will be returned)	
Proof of sufficient funds - for the duration of the intended stay in Switzerland (last 3 months statements issued/stamped by bank of applicant or sponsors with letter of sponsorship or guarantee), original & 1 photocopy	
Diploma or school/academic certificate - of already completed or ongoing studies, original & 2 photocopies (original will be returned)	
CV - in English or in one of the Swiss national languages, original & 1 photocopy	
Written commitment from the applicant - to leave Switzerland after the intended stay, original & 1 photocopy	
Letter of motivation including the reason for studies in Switzerland (proof that the proposed studies are necessary for further studies or employment in the country of residence) and the future plans after the studies, original & 1 photocopy	

If under 18 years old (minor):	
Birth certificate - original & 2 photocopies (original will be returned) consent of parental authority or legal guardian that minor Student travels to Switzerland, legalized by Amphoe original & 1 photocopy	
If only one parent signs the consent, proof of sole custody needs to be submitted.	
If available: a TOEFL or IELTS certificate, kindly submit: Original & 2 photocopies (original will be returned)	
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The Student visa is normally free of charge (with the exception for language schools). Information about visa fees can be found on our <u>website</u> .	
Procedure	
The National Visa D application will be reviewed by the Visa Section and forwarded to the competent Office of Migration in Switzerland for decision. The process may take at least 6 up to 12 weeks.	
Information regarding the processing time can be given by the authorities in Switzerland only. You will be informed by the cantonal migration office once the authorization to enter Switzerland has been granted (form "Ermächtigung zur Visumerteilung" or "Autorisation habilitant les représentations Suisses à délivrer un visa").	
Collection of Visa	
The Visa D is delivered by the Swiss Regional Consular Center in Bangkok.	
Please <u>book an appointment in advance</u> and bring the following documents during <u>opening hours</u> (by the applicant or a third person):	
- original passport - copy of the "authorization to Enter Switzerland"	
If possible, the visa will be issued immediately.	
** For Students going to the Canton of Lucerne LU:	
The same documentary requirements apply with the following difference:	
- One (1) Visa application form (instead of 3)	
- Two (2) passport pictures (instead of 4)	
- One (1) set of the supporting documents (instead of 2)	