
CAS GUIDANCE FOR APPLICANTS

What is a CAS?

The Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) is a unique reference number that confirms that you have been accepted for a course of studies at the School.

You need a CAS in order to score 30 points on your Student visa application. Once you have met all the conditions of your offer to the School, you may request a CAS and this will be sent via e-mail from the CAS Team.

Who needs a CAS?

Applicants who have been made an offer for a place on a full-

How will I receive my CAS?

CAS number and details of your course and finances that we have submitted to UKVI. You should check that all the information in this document is correct and contact the CAS Team if it is not.

If you have not received your CAS, make sure you check the junk mail folder in your email account. Your CAS will be sent to the email address that you included in your application to the School, so you should make sure this is correct.

I am from a 'low risk' country; do I need to send financial evidence with my CAS request form?

Yes, you must submit all the supporting documents listed on the CAS request form. We need to meet all of the criteria for a Student visa before we can issue you a CAS. This includes meeting the maintenance requirement.

As applicants do not have to submit all the supporting documents with their visa application, the Consulate or Embassy can still request them once you have submitted your visa application. Therefore we strongly advise you have these documents ready just in case.

How can I find out about the criteria my documents must satisfy to meet the Home Office requirements?

You should read the Student Visa Policy Guidance before completing your CAS request form and sending your supporting documents, please visit [Student visa : Overview - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-applying-for-uk-visa-approved-english-language-tests) for further details.

Do I need to take an English language test to receive a CAS?

In order to make a successful application for a Student visa, applicants possess a certain level of English. This is known as the English Language Requirement.

If English is a condition of your offer you will need to meet the English language requirement before we can issue you a CAS. When we issue your CAS, it will state that the School has assessed your English language ability and it is sufficient for your course of studies.

webpage:

[LSHTM English Language Requirements Policy](https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/visas/requirements)

Even if English is not a condition of your offer at the School, you may need to take an English language test as part of your Student visa application. The CAS request form will instruct you on whether you need to do this. If you do need to take a test, it must be one that has been approved by the Home Office and from the following list:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-applying-for-uk-visa-approved-english-language-tests>

You must achieve a score equivalent to Level B2 or above in all four components (Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing) to meet the required level for the student visa.