

INFORMATION ON VISAS AND RESIDENCE PERMITS

FOR CITIZENS OF FOLLOWING COUNTRIES -

Albania (only holders of biometric passports), Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Bosnia and Herzegovina (only holders of biometric passports), Brazil, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Colombia, Dominica, East Timor, El Salvador, Georgia (only for holders of biometric passports), Grenada, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong, Korea, Iceland, Israel, Japan, Kiribati, Republic of Korea, Liechtenstein, Norway, Macau, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia, Moldova (only for holders of biometric passports), Monaco, Montenegro (only for holders of biometric passports), New Zealand, Nicaragua, North Macedonia (only for holders of biometric passports), Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Seychelles, Serbia (only for holders of biometric passports), Seychelles, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Switzerland, Taiwan (Only for holders of passports which include an identity card number), Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tuvalu, The Vatican, Ukraine (only for holders of biometric passports), United Arab Emirates, USA, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Venezuela

How to get a residence permit?

If the positive answer about your acceptance as a degree student at College is received, College prepares an official invitation for the residence permit. Following documents must be submitted to the College coordinator:

- 1. Passport copy
- 2. Date and place of birth
- 3. Citizenship
- 4. Home address
- 5. Address (will be indicated in the invitation by the coordinator)
- 6. Embassy of Latvia where student will submit the documents to get the residence permit (if the documents will be submitted before the arrival in the Embassy)

After the invitation is approved and sent by College coordinator to the student:

- 1. Student apply for residence permit at the Embassy of Latvia
- 2. OR within 90 days as of the first day of entry at the OCMA in Riga

To apply for residence permit, the following documents are necessary to be submitted:

- ✓ Invitation number
- ✓ Residence permit application form <u>www.pmlp.gov.lv/en</u>



- ✓ Copy of passport (original must be showed at the Embassy). The passport should be valid at least 3 months after the final date of planned residence permit term
- ✓ 1 photo
- ✓ Confirmation of the necessary subsistence, at least 430 EUR per month
- ✓ Document which approves the accommodation place in Latvia
- ✓ Copy of the study agreement (original must be presented)
- ✓ Legalized documents on previous education which should be sufficient for studies at College
- ✓ State duty payment check for the examination of submitted documents.

Please note that:

- The procedure takes over 40 days
- Student may receive the residence permit for studies in Latvia for the period on which the Student has paid his/her study fee
- To extend the residence permit the documents must be submitted not later than 40 days before the validity of the current permit expires
 - Upon receiving the residence permit the student has to present:
 - health insurance which is valid in Latvia (can be issued in student's own country, but it should be valid in Latvia)
 - a copy of statement on fluorography or x-ray results (original must be presented) issued by a competent institution in Latvia

MORE INFORMATION:

The office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (OCMA): <u>https://www.pmlp.gov.lv/en/</u>

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Latvia www.am.gov.lv/en

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE:

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