

INFORMATION ON VISAS AND RESIDENCE PERMITS

FOR CITIZENS OF OTHER COUNTRIES

NOTE! According to "Immigration Law" College provides applicants with the invitation document only for FULL TIME studies

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 of your accommodation in Riga
- 6. Embassy of Latvia where student will submit the documents to get the residence permit

After the invitation is approved, the student submits the documents for the residence permit IN PERSON at the EMBASSY OF LATVIA, which is not located in a Schengen country!

Exceptions: If the <u>student has a valid residence permit in any of the Schengen countries</u>, he/she holds a right to submit the documents in the Embassy of Latvia which is located in a Schengen country or at the OMCA in RIGA.

To apply for the residence permit, the following documents should be submitted:

- ✓ Invitation document
- ✓ Residence permit application form (available at www.pmlp.gov.lv/en)
- ✓ 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
- ✓ Legalized statement on criminal records issued by a competent institution of the citizenship of the host country if a foreigner has resided in that country longer than 12 months
- ✓ 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
- ✓ A document confirming payment of the state duty



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, covering at least 43000 Eur, valid for entire stay in Latvia (can be issued in student's own country, but it should be valid in Latvia)
 - o 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): https://www.pmlp.gov.lv/en/
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Latvia www.am.gov.lv/en/

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