



## SOUTH AFRICA STUDY VISA INFORMATION SHEET

Requirement	Description
How do I qualify?	You need to have provisional acceptance to enrol for studies at a South African accredited learning institute and reside in South Africa.
Filing Applications	<p>Applications for a study visa would need to be filed at the South African mission in your home country or country where you hold residency.</p> <p>Applications may also be filed in South Africa, whilst on a valid temporary long-term visa.</p> <p>Renewal of a study visas can be done from within South Africa.</p>
Passport	A valid passport with at least 6 months validity from the date of return from the scheduled trip with at least 3 blank pages at date of submission.
	A certified copy of passport title page.
Proof of funds	Proof of sufficient financial means available whilst resident in the Republic in the form of bank statements.
Unabridged birth certificat / Adoption documents	You need to prove that you are a biological or legally adopted child of the South African Temporary visa holder for students under the age of 18 years.
Police clearance certificates	<p>Original police clearance certificates from every country where you have resided for more than 12 months since your 18th birthday.</p> <p>Not applicable if younger than 18 years.</p>
Medical & Radiological Reports	<p>A duly completed Medical and Radiological Report as prescribed by the Department of Home Affairs.</p> <p>Radiological report shall not be required in respect of children under the age of 12 years or pregnant women.</p>
Letter of Acceptance	An official letter confirming provisional acceptance or acceptance at that learning institution and the duration of the course.
Undertaking Letter	An undertaking by the Registrar or Principal of the learning institution to provide proof of registration.
Processing times	Study Visa application: 4 – 8 weeks (depending on the country of submission).
Validity	Study Visas are valid for the duration of study at the learning institution in question and may be issued for a maximum period of 8 years.

**Important to Note:** The South African embassy reserves the right to request or change document requirements without prior notice.