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Information sheet for students

Study residency in Switzerland for foreign students

Students:

In order for a student to receive a study residency permit s/he must be enrolled in a university (this includes preparatory courses for university studies).

General information:

Foreign students must prove that they have enough money to finance their studies. Studies may not be financed primarily by the student working at the same time as studying.

Students must include with their applications their personal study programmes and indicate their study goals. The university must certify in writing that the applicant has been admitted and that his/her knowledge of the language is adequate.

In general, students must leave Switzerland upon completion of their studies. Before a study residency permit is granted, it must be established that a student can leave the county at any given time. The prerequisite is possession of a passport that is valid for at least one year.

Before a student residency permit can be granted, the nature of the studies, whether theoretical, practical or mixed, must be clarified.

Training with internship:

If training includes an internship in a company that exceeds 50% of the training time, the student must satisfy the quota requirements for that position.

Summary:

Financial means, proof of enrolment, study programme, valid passport, application form for entry to Switzerland.

Application to be sent directly to the Immigration Office of the Canton of Zurich.

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