



## Visa Advice

Many students are refused visas. It can be a confusing process and cost you time and money if you are not successful. Often visas are rejected because a student is not fully prepared or aware of the requirements to obtain a visa. Please read the following notes carefully so that you can minimise your chances of getting refused.

### 1) Visa Requirements

You must be able to show that you have been accepted on a course of study at an educational establishment that is on the UK's Department for Children Schools and Families Register of Education and Training Providers. Purley Language College is listed on the Register which can be viewed at: [www.dfes.gov.uk/providersregister](http://www.dfes.gov.uk/providersregister).

To obtain a visa you must demonstrate that you:

- are accepted on a course taught during the week involving at least 15 hours of organised daytime study each week
- can pay for your course and support yourself and any dependants, and live in the UK without going into business or getting a job, or needing any help from public funds
- are able and intend to follow your chosen course, and
- intend to leave the UK when you complete your studies.

### 2) Documents you need

- A letter of Acceptance on the course from the school
- Evidence that the course fees have been paid
- Evidence that you can financially support yourself and any dependents during your stay
- Any accommodation documents if this has been arranged

### 3) Types of visa

Visa type	Duration	Right to work part time?	Possible to extend?
Student Visitor Visa	Max 6 months	No	No
Student Visa	Variable	Yes	Yes

## Further Information

These notes provide only a basic guide. We strongly recommend you do some extra research about what is required and don't apply for a visa until you are sure you can satisfy all of the criteria.

For fuller information and the latest up to date news about visa requirements please see the following:

- The British Consulate, Embassy or High Commission in your own country
- UK Visas: [www.ukvisas.gov.uk](http://www.ukvisas.gov.uk)