



Mobility Student Visa – List of required documents

Context: Mobility is the right of a third-country national who holds a valid residence permit issued by a EU country, as a student, to stay in Belgium for a period not exceeding 360 days in order to complete part of his or her studies within the framework of an EU program or a multilateral program involving mobility measures or an agreement between two or more higher education institutions.

If you have received a residence permit valid for 2 years from FIN/SWE/EST and need to go to Belgium to complete your studies, you do not need to apply for a mobility student visa. Your Belgian university has to contact the Belgian Immigration Office to inform them about your mobility at the latest 30 days before your arrival in Belgium. If the Immigration Office approves your mobility, you can register your stay at the municipal administration of your place of residence in Belgium and receive an Annex 33. This Annex states that you are staying in Belgium as a mobility student coming from another EU country.

However, if Belgium is the **first** host EU country of your study program, you have to apply for a mobility student visa. After your arrival in Belgium, you'll receive a Belgian residence permit valid for 2 years that will allow you to complete your mobility study program in the other EU country/countries.

Please note that NOR, ISL and DNK do not participate in the EU mobility rules. If you plan to study in Belgium and if you have a residence permit from NOR/ISL/DNK, you have to apply for either a regular student visa or an exchange student visa. Please contact the Embassy personally so that we can find out together which visa you need.

If you are a regular student from FIN/SWE/NOR/ISL/DNK/EST and are going to Belgium as an exchange student (~~mobility student~~), you have to apply for an exchange student visa. Unlike a mobility student, an exchange student is not registered as a regular student at a Belgian educational institution.

If you are a Third Country National wishing to stay in Belgium for more than 90 days, you need to apply for a D type visa.

These are merely the standard documents. We might require further evidence at the course of the process.

- Enclosed visa application form
- 2 recent identity photos in color, standard size 35 x 45 mm with light and uniform background. Please note your name on the back side of the photos
- Enclosed language form
- Enclosed notice "willingness to integrate"
- Valid national passport

- Copy of your valid residence permit in FIN/SWE/EST
- Enclosed medical certificate that has to be filled out by a doctor
 - Any doctor of your choice can fill out the certificate
 - Apostil legalization by a notary public required in all other countries than EST that has a bilateral agreement with Belgium
- From the age of 18 and older: police clearance certificate from your current country of residence FIN/SWE/EST. Requirements: recent max 6 months, issued directly in English/Dutch/French/German or provided with a translation by a sworn translator into one of these languages.
- Proof that you are part of an EU or multilateral program with mobility measures, or an agreement between two or more higher education institutions, and that Belgium is the first host Member State. This proof will take the form of a registration certificate or an admission certificate issued by a university or college, mentioning the mobility program you are enrolled in
- Proof that you have or will have health insurance covering all risks in Belgium for the duration of your stay. If you are not affiliated to a Belgian mutual association (*mutuelle/ziekenfonds*) or if you cannot provide proof that you will be affiliated upon arrival in Belgium, you can also provide us with proof of private travel health insurance. This insurance must be valid for Belgium, for a minimum of 3 months, and have a coverage of at least 30.000 EUR. The compensation due by the insurance company must be recoverable in Belgium

⇒ Failure to provide proof of health insurance does not affect the admissibility of the visa application. However, it does have an impact on the duration of the validity of the visa since the applicant who does not present a health insurance will receive a visa valid for 4 months, even if the student is enrolled in Belgian higher education. Following your arrival in Belgium, you will receive a registration certificate valid for 4 months from the municipal administration and will have to present a health insurance at the latest 15 days before the expiration of this certificate. If the health insurance is not presented in time, the Immigration Office will give you the order to leave the territory

Please note that the embassy may also accept a certificate of scholarship in which the scholarship-granting organization formally commits itself to cover your medical expenses during the period in which the scholarship is granted.

We can also accept an EU health insurance card issued by another EU country.

Proof of sufficient income of min 730 EUR net/month during your stay in Belgium. Please consider that bank statements are not considered as a valid proof of solvency. Accepted documents are one of following or their combination :

- Certificate stating that you are or will soon be receiving a scholarship or loan

- Commitment that charge will be taken (annex 32). For further instructions your guarantor should contact the Belgian embassy accredited for the country where he/she is residing
- Financial agreement with the Belgian university/organization attesting that you have blocked the needed amount (730 EUR multiplied by the number of months of your stay in Belgium for the first academic year) on their account and will receive it back in monthly transfers during your stay in Belgium

Receipt of payment: Visa handling fee 180 EUR

Beneficiary : Embassy of Belgium in Helsinki

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Please add a clear message such as: visa application + name of the applicant

Citizens of Morocco, Israel, San Marino, Japan and Turkey are exempted from the visa handling fee

The application is only considered admissible with a proof of the paid fee.