

7. The long-stay visa for studies

The long stay visa for studies may be granted, upon request, to foreign citizens who want to reside the Romanian territory as students or to foreign citizen registered in pupil-exchange programs.

Foreign citizens accepted for studies by a state educational institute or a private educational institute accredited according to law, including for participation in PhD courses, are considered students, for the purpose of the present article.

The visa application, in the case of students, must be accompanied by the following supporting documents:

- letter of acceptance;
- the proof of payment of the tuition fee;
- the proof of the means of support in amount of at least the minimum wage at country level per month, for the entire period specified in the visa;
- the criminal record certificate or another document of the same legal value;
- the medical insurance for the entire period of the visa validity;
- the approval of the parents or the foster parents in connection with the stay on the Romanian territory for study purposes, if the foreign citizen is a minor.

The foreign citizens who benefit from a scholarship offered by the Romanian State and the foreign citizens of Romanian origin are exempt from the obligation of submitting the proof of the means of support.

The visa provided for the case described in the above paragraph will also be granted to foreign citizens accepted for studies on the grounds of international agreements to which Romania is party.

Visa applications can only be submitted to the diplomatic missions and consular posts of Romania abroad.