

Start-up Application Form

Before issuing a Start up endorsement letter, the University is required to consider your study history and financial position in order to assess whether or not you are eligible for a Start-up visa. You therefore need to complete this form and return it to us along with copies of all the following documents:

- Passport(s), including all UK visas;
- Completed Business template Form
- Bank statements showing you have enough money in your account to meet the Start-up maintenance requirements (or sponsorship letter if you are a Government sponsored student)
- If you are a sponsored student you will need a letter of permission to apply for this visa from your sponsor

Please note that only complete forms submitted in time and with all relevant documents will be considered. There will be no exceptions.

Personal details

Full name:	
University ID number	
Phone number:	
Course name:	
If you have dependants (a husband, wife or children), will they apply with you?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Names of dependents:

Immigration history

Please give details of **all** the UK visas that you have held (continue on another sheet if necessary).

	Type of visa (e.g. Student/Tier 2/4)	Date of issue	Date of expiry
Current visa			
Previous visa(s)			

Finances

You need to show that you are in a position for you and any dependants to meet the Tier 1 maintenance requirements/Immigration Health Surcharge and visa application fees. Please see boxes below for amounts needed:

Total finance requirements for an application (made in the UK) is: £2741 (£1270 + £1248 + £493)	Please include bank statements showing this amount (this includes Immigration Health Surcharge and the visa fee that must be available separate to your £1270 living costs)
Total finance requirements per dependant application (made in the UK) is: £1941- £2056 (£200-£315 + £1248 + £493) Living costs: Partner is £285, 1st child is £315, additional children are £200 each	Please include bank statements showing this amount per dependant if this applies to your situation (this includes Immigration Health Surcharge and the visa fee that must be available separate to the living costs)

Indicate your total funds needed in the box below:

Your total funds needed (you + any dependents =)	£2741 +	=
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Please confirm whether all necessary funds are available to you now and the date that you put these funds into your bank account (as you need to demonstrate that they have been there for 28 days prior to application).

Yes, these funds are available to me now and have been since this date:

No, these funds are not yet available to me but will be available on this date:.....

Please can you indicate whether you believe that you meet each of the criteria set out below by ticking in box next to each statement:

	Eligibility Criteria	Agreed?
General		
1	I have maintained a good standing with the University, with no disciplinary, attendance or other problems surfacing in relation to your time at the University	
2	I have no current, or history of debt with the University	
3	I am studying a bachelor, Master or PHD degree course at Swansea University	
4	I am in the UK (the University will only endorse applicants who are applying from within the UK)	
5	I have a Tier 4 or Student visa (sponsored by Swansea University)	
6	I have a minimum of 4 months leave remaining on my current Tier 4 or Student visa	
7	I have obtained unconditional consent to apply for a Start-up visa in writing (if you are sponsored by a government or international scholarship agency)	
8	I have not previously established a business in the UK	
9	I have not previously had 2 years' leave under the Start-up or Tier 1 (GE) visa categories	
10	I consent to the sharing of my information with the Home Office as is necessary for Swansea University to meet their responsibilities as an endorsing	
11	I consent to comply with the application and monitoring process for Swansea University endorsement	
Financial		
12	I can demonstrate the ability to meet the UKVI maintenance requirements (£1270 held in your bank account for a consecutive 28 day period if applying from within the UK)	
13	I can demonstrate the ability to pay for the Immigration Health Surcharge (£624 per year and visa application fee £493 in the UK)	
14	I can demonstrate the ability to meet all financial requirements for any dependants applying with you (£1941- £2056 per dependant applying within the UK)	
Business		
15	My business plan demonstrates innovation - it is genuine and original, meets new or existing market needs and/or creates a competitive advantage	
16	My business plan is viable I have or are actively developing the necessary skills, knowledge, experience and market awareness to run the business	
17	My business plan is scalable and has evidence of structured planning, of potential for job creation and growth into national markets in the next 5 years	
18	My business idea relates to my field of study	

19	My business idea is based on IP, know how or expertise that has been developed by me whilst studying at Swansea University	
20	My business will be based in Swansea or another region in Wales	
21	I have sufficient funds and other resources to develop the business	
22	I demonstrate a clear commitment to spend the majority of my time working on developing your business idea	

Applicant Declaration:

I declare that the information I have provided on this form is accurate and correct and I take full responsibility for that. If the information I have given is subsequently discovered to be incorrect I understand my application for the Start-up visa will automatically be refused.

I understand that in order to process my application there is the necessity to share information between several teams at the University (REIS, Academic Services, Compliance, International @Campuslife and your School) and I consent for this to happen.

If it is necessary to contact external bodies or institutions (outside of the Home Office) my permission will be sought first. I also understand that, in order to meet UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) requirements, my application and any additional documents relating to this will be stored in an a secure electronic folder in case of UKVI request.

I understand that, if successful, my endorsement letter will be released to the International @CampusLife team and I must submit my Start-up visa application via that office (if within the UK).

Signed:.....

Date:.....