



International Student Support

Updated information for Tier 4 students who need to apply for a visa extension to complete their current course (January 2018)

In January 2018, UKVI published a series of changes to the immigration rules. As part of the changes, they have updated the regulations relating to academic progression and in particular, the categories of students who do not have to show academic progression.

The following students are now eligible to make their tier 4 visa application from the UK to extend their visa to complete their current course:

- PhD students
- Students who are required to resit an exam or repeat a course module with full-time attendance, or who have already repeated parts of their course previously and now need extra time on their visa to complete the remainder of their course.

NEW: students who are applying to extend their visa in order to undertake a study abroad programme or work placement or who have previously completed a study abroad programme or work placement and now need extra time to complete their course.

The following categories of students **will not be eligible to make their visa application in the UK** to get the additional time they need to finish their studies. Instead, they will have to leave the UK and make their tier 4 visa application from overseas:

- Students who have changed courses and need additional time to complete their current course
- Students whose course dates have changed (due to coursework deadline extensions for example)

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Please note that before issuing a new CAS to continuing students who have to make their visa application from overseas due to the regulations on academic progression, the University will require evidence that you have returned overseas (flight booking confirmation/boarding pass). **Students who attempt to make a visa application in the UK against the University's advice and receive a visa refusal on that basis will not be issued with a further CAS.**

If you have any further queries about this, please contact the International Student Support Service (int.support@ntu.ac.uk).