



STUDENT VISA for non EU/EFTA citizens

- 3 completed application forms (national, type D), duly signed by the applicant. The form can be printed out from the following website:
<https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html>

Minors: Both parents must sign the form and add a copy of their passports. If one parent is unable to sign the form, he/she must submit a letter of agreement together with a copy of his/her passport.

Applications which are not duly completed, dated and signed will not be accepted. Please also indicate your e-mail address and a contact phone number.

- 3 recent passport-size photographs, undamaged. Do not staple or damage the photo; background has to be light and plain. [Photograph quality](#).
- Signed passport, valid at least three (3) months and containing at least two (2) empty pages.
- 3 copies of the passport including the signature page, pages with Schengen visa .
- Greece or Cyprus Residence Permit.
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- Original curriculum vitae including an explanation of the objectives of the applicant.
- 2 copies of the curriculum vitae.
- Original diplomas/school reports.
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- Original letter of acceptance from the institution in Switzerland
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- Proof of payment of school fees
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- Proof of financial resources (additional sponsors should provide a letter with passport copy and bank statements).
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IMPORTANT: Please note that this is not an exhaustive list. If necessary, you may be requested to bring additional documentation. Please bring along all original documents; they may need to be inspected. To ascertain linguistic proficiency of the student, the Embassy may require an oral test.

The entire application will be forwarded to the competent authorities for their decision (8-12 weeks). On receipt of the authorization, the applicant will be contacted directly by the Cantonal Authorities.

In the event that the authorization is already available, the applicant would have to submit only one form with two photographs along with the copy of authorization, your passport, copy of the passport, copy of the Greek or Cyprus residence permit and the prevailing visa fee to obtain the entry visa. Please note that processing time is 24 hours (one working day).

The entry visa will allow you to travel through the Schengen states and enter Switzerland during its validity. Within the first 8 days following your initial entry you will have to declare your arrival at the local authorities of your domicile in Switzerland.

Please note that the visa application must be submitted to the Swiss representation responsible for your place of residence.

In order to apply for a student permit you have to appear in person. Opening hours are: Monday to Friday (except Greek and Swiss public holidays) 10.00 am – 12.00 noon with prior appointment. For enquiries, you can contact the Regional Consular Centre in Athens [by email](#).

Non-compliance with the set guidelines (items not presented/photocopies missing) will lead to the application being rejected without being processed.

[Some links about Switzerland which might be useful](#)

Thank you for your cooperation.

Athens, 24.03.2023