

VISA D – LANGUAGE STUDIES

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Information sheet for people who intend to complete language studies in Switzerland (more than 90 days).

GENERAL INFORMATIONS FOR STUDYING IN SWITZERLAND:

Applications for the "Visa D - language studies" are ONLY accepted at the Swiss Consulate General in Istanbul. Applicants must submit the application in person (including minors). The Consulate General of Switzerland reserves the right not to accept incomplete dossiers. No electronically issued (online) documents will be accepted. The application for language studies purposes is sent to the responsible migration authority in Switzerland, which is responsible for approving the application. The Consulate General of Switzerland can only issue the Visa D after receiving the authorization of the migration authorities. A waiting period of at least 8-10 weeks must be expected (even longer). For further informations regarding"Visa D - language studies" please contact: istanbul.visa@eda.admin.ch

DOCUMENTS FOR THE APPLICATION "VISA D – LANGUAGE STUDIES"

Please submit all documents in following order and do <u>not</u> staple them.	
All documents must be issued in the name of the applicant.	
The Consulate General of Switzerland reserves the right to request further documents.	
Three application forms for a national visa D (Application for a long stay visa) • https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html • Duly completed (German, French, Italian or English) • All forms must be signed personally (for minors, one of their legal guardians must sign the visa form) • Filled in by typewriter, online or in block letters (with a blue or black pen) • Please fill in your telephone number and e-mail address!	
Four recent, identical passport pictures o For further information consult: https://www.icao.int/Security/mrtd/Downloads/Technical%20Reports/Annex_A-Photograph_Guidelines.pdf	
Valid Passport: o Issued within the last 10 years o Minimum 2 empty pages o Valid at least 3 month after leaving the Schengen Area	
Two copies of passport (original & two (2) copies): o Please make legible copies on A4 sheets o First page (page with the biometric data) o If available, previous visas and entry/exit stamps	
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ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THE VISA APPLICATION FORM MUST BE PROVIDED <u>IN DUPLICATE</u> TRANSLATED INTO ONE OF THE SWISS NATIONAL LANGUAGES

The student and/or the guarantor/sponsor in Switzerland must proof possession of sufficient funds according to the cantonal requirements to cover the study. At least one of the proofs listed below must be provided (in duplicate):

- A declaration of commitment (Verpflichtungserklärung) and proof of income or assets of a solvent person resident in Switzerland (if the latter is of foreign origin, he must also have a residence permit)
- Confirmation from a bank licensed in Switzerland confirming the existence of sufficient assets. Banks licensed in Switzerland are those banks, which have been approved by the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA).
- \circ $\,$ Two (2) copies of the payment confirmation covering the school fees for language studies

Letter of acceptance of the language school in Switzerland (original & two (2) copies)

Previous diplomas and school certificates (original & two (2) copies)

CV (curriculum vitae) (in duplicate)

Letter of motivation including intentions for the future (in duplicate)

Written declaration by the student that he/she will return to Switzerland after completing his/her studies (in duplicate)

Visa fee:

Payment: Only in Turkish currency and cash:

• Adult: 90.- €

INFORMATION: The applicant will be tested in the chosen study language