

## International Students – Visa Fee Table

This document is for use by Victorian government schools to determine which international students need to enrol in the department's International Student Program (ISP) and pay fees, and which international students can be enrolled directly by schools and are exempt from paying fees. Schools can view a 25-minute training video on how to identify and enrol international students which is available [online here](#)<sup>1</sup>.

Please note, the terms *international student* and *overseas student* are used interchangeably throughout this document and mean the same thing. This International Students – Visa Fee Table is made pursuant to Clause 34 (1) of *Ministerial Order 819 - Fees for Overseas Students in Government Schools*.

### What is an international student?<sup>2</sup>

An international student is an overseas national who comes to Australia on a visa that allows them to study in Australia. They may come to Australia on a student visa with the express purpose of studying at a Victorian government school, such as a secondary student who intends to study their Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE), or as a dependant student who is in Australia with their parents, who are themselves studying in Victoria. Or they may be in Australia as a dependant on their parent's visa with a purpose other than studying, but their visa allows the dependant to study while in Australia.

### Do international students need to pay fees?

Some international students need to pay fees to study in a Victorian government school and some students are exempted from paying fees under this document, depending on the visa they hold.

### Which international students pay fees?

To work out which students need to pay fees and enrol in the ISP, schools must:

1. Request a copy of the student's visa grant notice from the student, parent or legal guardian (please see the end of this document for [examples of visa grant notices](#)).
2. Check the grant notice is in the student's name (students may have different visa types to their parents)
3. Check that the visa date has not expired and note the expiry date. Follow up prior to the expiry date and update their visa status and expiry date in CASES21, if required.
4. Refer to the [visa fee table](#) in this document to determine whether fees must be paid. This table lists the different visa types and subclass numbers in numerical order and informs you whether the student is exempted from payment of fees or required to pay fees and enrol in the [ISP](#)<sup>3</sup>.

You should sight the visa grant notice yourself and take a copy and file in your records.

### What about bridging visas?

Bridging visas are issued when someone enters Australia on one type of visa and later applies for another visa. A bridging visa allows the applicant to stay in Australia lawfully once their original visa has expired and while the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs (DHA) makes a decision on their new visa application.

Whether a student is fee liable or fee exempt when they are on a bridging visa is determined by the visa held by the student immediately prior to receiving their bridging visa. If the previous visa held was exempt from paying fees to study in a Victorian

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<sup>1</sup> <https://youtu.be/GCz-KNj0L6A>

<sup>2</sup> For the purpose of this document, the term 'overseas student' is used as per *Ministerial Order 819 - Fees for Overseas Students in Government Schools*. The term international student is used interchangeably. An international student is defined as the primary holder of a student visa (i.e., a student who holds a student visa in their own right) by the *Education Services for Overseas Student Act 2000* (Cth).

<sup>3</sup> See the Victorian government schools International Student Program (ISP) website at [www.study.vic.gov.au/en/how-to-apply/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.study.vic.gov.au/en/how-to-apply/Pages/default.aspx).

government school, the student does not need to pay fees while they are on the bridging visa. However, if the previous visa held was fee liable, then the student continues to be fee liable (even if the new visa they have applied for is fee exempt).

## What about humanitarian visa applicants?

An international student is not required to pay fees to attend a government school in Victoria, if they have applied for any one of the following humanitarian visas:

- 051 Bridging (Protection Visa Applicant)
- 302 Emergency (Permanent Visa Applicant) (Repealed 1/07/14)
- 303 Emergency (Temporary Visa Applicant) (Repealed 1/07/14)
- 446 Confirmatory (Temporary) (repealed 1/11/05)
- 447 Secondary Movement Offshore Entry (Temporary) (repealed 9/8/08)
- 448 Kosovar Safe Haven (Temporary) (Repealed 1/07/14)
- 449 Humanitarian Stay (Temporary)
- 450 Resolution of Status - Family Member (Temporary) (repealed 01/07/14)
- 451 Secondary Movement Relocation (Temporary) (repealed 9/8/08)
- 785 Temporary Protection
- 786 Temporary (Humanitarian Concern)
- 787 Witness Protection (Trafficking) (repealed 1/7/09)
- 790 Safe Haven Enterprise
- 866 Protection

The student becomes fee exempt from the day the humanitarian visa application is lodged. The family must provide evidence they have applied for a humanitarian visa to the school. If the student is already enrolled in the ISP as a fee liable student, the family must email a copy of the visa application lodgement to the International Education Division (IED) at: [international@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:international@education.vic.gov.au). Acceptable evidence of visa application lodgement includes: a visa application lodgement receipt from DHA; an ImmiCard<sup>i</sup>; or a formal letter issued by the Red Cross (Asylum Seeker's Assistance Scheme) which clearly specifies that the student is included in the visa application and an application has been lodged with DHA.

## Students in community detention

Students in community detention who do not hold visas are not required to pay fees. These students are generally supported by AMES Australia in accessing welfare and education services in Victoria. Acceptable evidence includes a letter from DHA (see the [example](#) at the end of this document) or AMES Australia (see the [example](#) at the end of this document) confirming their current refugee status, or that the student is in community detention, or under residence determination, or have entered Australia not holding a valid visa and has or is intending to apply for asylum. Schools should select 000 in CASES21 for students in community detention once they have sighted and retained the necessary DHA or AMES Australia documentation on file.

Schools receive Student Resource Package (SRP) funding for all humanitarian visa applicants.

The school must continue to monitor the student's visa status. If the student's visa application is rejected by DHA, the student may become fee liable. Please contact IED on 7022 1000 or via [international@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:international@education.vic.gov.au) if you have any questions about humanitarian visa applicants.

## The international student needs to pay fees, now what?

Direct the student or their family to enrol in the ISP online via the [ISP website](#)<sup>4</sup>. The student cannot commence study at your school until they have lodged an application with the IED and paid application and tuition fees in advance. Once IED confirms that the student has enrolled and paid tuition fees, the student can commence. You should record the student's details in CASES21, including the international student ID number provided by IED, and continue to monitor the student's visa status and visa expiry date. There are also instances where a previously fee exempt student becomes fee liable once they change their visa. If this occurs, please also follow these steps.

## The international student does not need to pay fees, now what?

The student can be enrolled and start immediately at your school. You do not need to enter an international student ID number against the student in CASES21. However, you must continue to monitor the student's visa status and visa expiry date and, if the

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<sup>4</sup> <https://www.study.vic.gov.au/en/how-to-apply/Pages/default.aspx>

student stays beyond their initial visa, you must check their new visa status for fee liability, keep a record of the student's new visa on file, and if required, update CASES21 with new visa information.

## How do schools get paid for international students?

Schools receive SRP funding for international students who are not required to pay fees. These students should be counted in the school census, to ensure schools receives SRP funding.

Schools receive funding from IED for international students who are required to pay fees. Once full payment has been received from the student for each Semester, the funds are disbursed to schools on a quarterly basis. Schools are provided with a school disbursement report to show the disbursement breakdown for each international student. If the international student has not paid their tuition fees, the school is not disbursed any fees, until student payments have been made to IED. This is why schools are asked to help follow up on any outstanding fees with the families of international students.

## Does a student need to pay fees if their parent is studying their Masters in Victoria?

Dependant children of a parent studying their Masters in Victoria may be fee exempt or fee liable – it all depends on the visa that the parent and student hold.

If the parent is studying their Masters in Victoria and the parent and student hold a 500 – Higher Education Visa, the student is fee liable.

If the parent is studying their Masters in Victoria and the parent and student hold a 500 – Postgraduate Research Visa, the student is fee exempt.

## Does a student need to pay fees if their parent is an Australian Government or Victorian Higher Education Institution scholarship holder?

Dependant children of a parent studying in Victoria are fee exempt when studying in a Victorian government school if their parent is receiving a fully-funded award or scholarship from the Australian Government or from a Victorian Higher Education Institution which meets the full cost of the education component of the award and the parent and student hold a 500 – Higher Education Visa.

You are required to sight documentary evidence that the parent is receiving a full scholarship from the Australian Government or a Victorian Higher Education Institution and to contact IED on 03 7022 1000 or via [international@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:international@education.vic.gov.au) if you have a student you think qualifies for a fee exemption under these circumstances.

## What is the school's responsibility regarding the enrolment of an international student?

It is the school's responsibility to:

1. Check whether a prospective student is an international student.
2. Sight a current visa in the student's name and retain a copy of the visa grant notice on record.
3. Use the visa fee table to determine whether the international student is fee liable or fee exempt.
4. Record the student's details in CASES21 and update CASES21 with any subsequent visa changes.
5. Instruct fee-liable students to enrol in the ISP before accepting the student's enrolment and commencement.
6. Keep a track of the visa expiry dates and contact the student to confirm and update their visa expiry date and status, prior to the visa expiring.
7. Check whether any new visas granted are fee liable or fee exempt.

Schools are required, under the Ministerial Order, to follow these steps to ensure international students are correctly enrolled. Schools may not be paid for the cost of educating a student if they have not been correctly identified as fee liable and instructed by the school to enrol in the ISP.

## How can I monitor an international student's visa status?

Your school can use DHA's Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO) system, to check what visa an international student currently holds, and any conditions attached to the visa. To look up a visa on VEVO, the student must already be enrolled in the ISP, or you must have permission from the family to look up their visa details.

Your school can register to create a VEVO account here: <https://online.immi.gov.au/lusc/register>

## Where can I get further information?

### Enquiries relating to the dependants of international students

Contact the IED by calling 03 7022 1000 or via email at: [international@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:international@education.vic.gov.au).

### Enquiries relating to the dependants of permanent residents

For information relating to schools and enrolments, please contact the relevant regional office – see the [Department of Education office locations](#)<sup>5</sup>.

If your query relates to CASES21, please contact the CASES21 helpdesk via the online [Services Portal](#)<sup>6</sup>.

### Enquiries relating to payments to schools

Schools can access the current [Ministerial Order](#)<sup>7</sup>, which includes the Fee Distribution Schedule that applies to all Victorian government schools, including English language Schools / Centres.

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<sup>5</sup> <https://www.vic.gov.au/office-locations-department-education>

<sup>6</sup> <https://services.educationapps.vic.gov.au/dp>

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.study.vic.gov.au/Shared%20Documents/en/MinisterialOrder819.pdf>

Visa Sub Class	Overseas Student Category	DET Visa Category	Must pay fees and enrol in the International Student Program	Eligible for Student Resource Package funding through census	Eligible for English Language School / Centre enrolment	International Education Division student ID to be entered on CASES21
000	Community Detention	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
010	Bridging (Class A)	Bridging	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Refer to previous visa held
020	Bridging (Class B)	Bridging	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Refer to previous visa held
030	Bridging (Class C)	Bridging	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Refer to previous visa held
040	Bridging (Prospective Applicant) D	Bridging	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Refer to previous visa held
041	Bridging (Non-Applicant) D	Bridging	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Refer to previous visa held
042	Bridging (Class A)	Bridging	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Refer to previous visa held
050	Bridging (General) E	Bridging	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Refer to previous visa held
051	Bridging (Protection Visa Applicant)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
060	Bridging Visa F	Bridging	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Refer to previous visa held
070	Bridging Visa R (Removal Pending)	Bridging	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">See Note 1</a>	<a href="#">Yes</a>	Refer to previous visa held
100	Partner	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
101	Child	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
102	Adoption	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
103	Parent	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
114	Aged Dependent Relative	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
115	Remaining Relative	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
116	Carer	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
117	Orphan Relative	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
119	Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
120	Labour Agreement (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
121	Employer Nomination (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
124	Distinguished Talent - Australian Support	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
126	Independent (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
132	Business Talent	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
134	Skill Matching (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
135	State/Territory Nominated Independent (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
136	Skilled – Independent (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
137	Skilled – State/Territory Nominated Independent (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No

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	White = Fee liability or exemption is based on the visa held immediately prior to the bridging visa, <u>except where a visa application has been made for a humanitarian visa</u>
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138	Skilled – Australian-sponsored (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
139	Skilled – Designated Area-sponsored (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
143	Contributory Parent	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
151	Former resident	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
155	Resident Return (Five Year)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
157	Resident Return (Three Months)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
159	Provisional Resident Return	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
160	Business Owner (Provisional)	Business / Investment	No	Yes	Yes	No
161	Senior Executive (Provisional)	Business / Investment	No	Yes	Yes	No
162	Investor (Provisional)	Business / Investment	No	Yes	Yes	No
163	State/Territory Sponsored Business Owner (Provisional)	Business / Investment	No	Yes	Yes	No
164	State/Territory Sponsored Senior Executive (Provisional)	Business / Investment	No	Yes	Yes	No
165	State/Territory Sponsored Investor (Provisional)	Business / Investment	No	Yes	Yes	No
173	Contributory Parent (Temporary)	Overseas Provisional Parent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
175	Skilled - independent (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
176	Skilled - sponsored (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
186	Employer Nomination Scheme	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
187	Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
188	Business Innovation and Investment	Business / Investment	No	Yes	Yes	No
189	Skilled – independent	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
190	Skilled – nominated	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
191	Permanent Residence (Skilled Regional)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
200	Refugee	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
201	In-country Special Humanitarian	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
202	Global Special Humanitarian	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
203	Emergency Rescue	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
204	Woman at Risk	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
300	Prospective Marriage	Overseas Partner	No	Yes	Yes	No
302	Emergency (Permanent Visa Applicant) (Repealed 1/07/14)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No

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303	Emergency (Temporary Visa Applicant) (Repealed 1/07/14)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
309	Partner (Provisional)	Overseas Partner	No	Yes	Yes	No
310	Interdependency (Provisional)	Overseas Partner	No	Yes	Yes	No
400	Temporary Work (Short Stay)	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
401	Temporary Work (Long Stay) (repealed 19/11/16)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
402	Training and Research (repealed 19/11/16)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
403	Temporary Work (International Relations)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
405	Investor Retirement	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
406	Government Agreement (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
407	Training Visa	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
408	Temporary Activity	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
410	Retirement (repealed 1/05/05)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
411	Exchange (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
415	Foreign Government Agency (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
416	Special Program (repealed 19/11/16)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
417	Working Holiday	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
418	Educational (repealed 14/9/09)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
419	Visiting Academic (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
420	Temporary Work Entertainment (repealed 19/11/16)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
421	Sport (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
422	Medical Practitioner (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
423	Media and Film Staff (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
424	Public Lecturer (repealed 1/11/05)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
425	Family Relationship (repealed 1/11/05)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
426	Domestic Worker (Temporary) - Diplomatic or Consular (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
427	Domestic Worker (Temporary) - Executive (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
428	Religious Worker (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
430	Supported Dependant (repealed 1/11/05)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
432	Expatriate (repealed 1/11/05)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No

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442	Occupational Trainee (repealed 24/11/12)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
444	Special Category (NZ Citizens)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
445	Dependent Child	Overseas Partner	No	Yes	Yes	No
446	Confirmatory (Temporary) (repealed 1/11/05)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
447	Secondary Movement Offshore Entry (Temporary) (repealed 9/8/08)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
448	Kosovar Safe Haven (Temporary) (Repealed 1/07/14)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
449	Humanitarian Stay (Temporary)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
450	Resolution of Status - Family Member (Temporary) (repealed 01/07/14)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
451	Secondary Movement Relocation (Temporary) (repealed 9/8/08)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
456	Business (Short Stay) (repealed 23/3/13)	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	No	Yes
457	Temporary Work (Skilled)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
461	NZ Family Relationship Visa	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
462	Work & Holiday (Temporary)	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
470	Professional Development (repealed 24/11/12)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
471	Trade Skills Training (repealed 10/09/07)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
475	Skilled Regional Sponsored (repealed 1/7/13)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
476	Skilled - Recognised Graduate	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
482	Temporary Skill Shortage	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
485	Temporary Graduate	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
487	Skilled - Regional Sponsored (repealed 1/7/13)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
488	Superyacht Crew (repealed 19/11/16)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
489	Skilled - Regional Provisional	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
491	Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
494	Skilled Employer Sponsored Regional (Provisional)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
495	Skilled Independent Regional (Provisional) (repealed 1/7/12)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
496	Skilled - Designated Area Sponsored (Provisional) (repealed 1/7/12)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No
497	Graduate - Skilled (repealed 1/7/12)	Skilled Employees	No	Yes	Yes	No

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500	Student – AusAID and Defence <b>(Select 5AD on CASES21)</b>	Overseas Student	No	Yes	Yes	No
500	Student – ELICOS <b>(Select 5EL on CASES21)</b>	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
500	Student – Higher Education <b>(Select 5HE on CASES21)</b>	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
500	Student – Higher Education – (Aust. Government or Victorian Higher Ed Institution scholarship) <b>(Select 5HS on CASES21)</b>	Overseas Student	No	Yes	Yes	No
500	Student – Non-Award <b>(Select 5NA on CASES21)</b>	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
500	Student – Postgraduate research <b>(Select 5PR on CASES21)</b>	Overseas Student	No	Yes	Yes	No
500	Student – Schools (all except exchange students – see below) <b>(Select 5SC on CASES21)</b>	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
500	Student – Schools (VRQA Approved Exchange Students ONLY) <b>(Select 5SV on CASES21)</b>	Overseas Student	No	Yes	Yes	No
500	Student – Vocational Education and Training <b>(Select 5VE on CASES21)</b>	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
570	Independent ELICOS Sector (repealed 30/6/16)	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
571	Schools Sector (VRQA Exchange Students ONLY) (repealed 30/6/16)	Overseas Student	No	Yes	Yes	No
571	Schools Sector (All other overseas school students) (repealed 30/6/16)	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
572	Vocational Education and Training (repealed 30/6/16)	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
573	Higher Education Sector Masters by Coursework (repealed 30/6/16)	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
574	Postgraduate Research Sector (repealed 30/6/16)	Overseas Student	No	Yes	Yes	No
575	Non-award Foundation / Other Sector (repealed 30/6/16)	Overseas Student	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
576	Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector (repealed 30/6/16)	Overseas Student	No	Yes	Yes	No
580	Student Guardian (repealed 30/6/16) ( <a href="#">see Note 2</a> )	Overseas Student Guardian	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
590	Student Guardian ( <a href="#">see Note 2</a> )	Overseas Student Guardian	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
600	Visitor	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
601	Electronic Travel Authority	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
602	Medical Treatment	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
651	e-Visitor Visa	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

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675	Medical Treatment (Short Stay)	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
676	Tourist (Short Stay)	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
685	Medical Treatment (Long Stay) (repealed 23/3/13)	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
771	Transit	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	No	Yes
773	Border	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	No	Yes
785	Temporary Protection	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
786	Temporary (Humanitarian Concern)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
787	Witness Protection (Trafficking) (repealed 1/7/09)	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
790	Safe Haven Enterprise	Humanitarian	No	Yes	Yes	No
800	Territorial Asylum (Residence)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
801	Partner	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
802	Child (Residence)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
804	Aged Parent	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
808	Confirmatory (Residence)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
814	Interdependency (Permanent) (repealed 1/7/09)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
820	Spouse (Extended Eligibility)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
826	Interdependency (Provisional Onshore) (repealed 1/7/09)	Overseas Partner	No	Yes	Yes	No
828	Limited Extended Eligibility	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
831	Prospective Marriage Spouse (repealed 1/7/05)	Overseas Partner	No	Yes	Yes	No
832	Close Ties (repealed 1/11/05)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
834	Permanent Resident of Norfolk Island	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
835	Remaining Relative	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
836	Carer	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
837	Orphan relative	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
838	Aged Dependent Relative	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
845	Established Business in Australia (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
846	State/Territory Sponsored Regional Established Business (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
850	Resolution of Status (Temporary) (repealed 1/7/14)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
851	Resolution of Status (Permanent)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No

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Visa Sub Class	Overseas Student Category	DET Visa Category	Must pay fees and enrol in the International Student Program	Eligible for Student Resource Package funding through census	Eligible for English Language School / Centre enrolment	International Education Division student ID to be entered on CASES21
852	Referred Stay (Permanent)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
855	Labour Agreement (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
856	Employer Nomination Scheme (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
857	Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
858	Global Talent	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
859	Designated Parent (repealed 1/7/14)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
861	Skilled - Onshore Independent NZ Citizen (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
862	Skilled - Onshore Australian-sponsored NZ Citizen (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
863	Skilled - Onshore Designated Area-sponsored NZ Citizen (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
864	Contributory Aged Parent (Residence)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
866	Protection	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
870	Sponsored Parent (Temporary) visa	Overseas Provisional Parent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
880	Skilled – Independent Overseas Student (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
881	Skilled – Australian-sponsored Overseas Student (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
882	Skilled – Designated Area - sponsored Overseas Student (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
883	Skilled Designated Area Sponsored (Residence) (repealed 1/7/12)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
884	Contributory Aged Parent (temporary)	Overseas Provisional Parent	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
885	Skilled - Independent (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
886	Skilled - Sponsored (repealed 1/7/13)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
887	Skilled – Regional	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
888	Business Innovation and Investment	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
890	Business Owner	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
891	Investor (Residence)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
892	State/Territory sponsored business owner (Residence)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No

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893	State/Territory sponsored investor (Residence)	Permanent Resident	No	Yes	Yes	No
943	Crew Travel Authority	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	No	Yes
944	APEC Travel Authority	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	No	Yes
945	Special Purpose	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
956	Electronic Travel Authority (Business Entrant - Long) (repealed 23/3/13)	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	No	Yes
976	Electronic Travel Authority (Visitor) (repealed 23/3/13)	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	No	Yes
977	Electronic Travel Authority (Business Entrant - Short) (repealed 23/3/13)	Overseas Visitor	Yes	No	No	Yes
988	Maritime Crew	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No
995	Diplomatic (Temporary)	Specialist Entrant	No	Yes	Yes	No

## NOTE 1

The following note applies to Visa Sub Classes [10](#), [20](#), [30](#), [40](#), [41](#), [42](#), [50](#), [60](#) and [70](#), under the following table headers: Must pay fees and enrol in the International Student Program; Eligible for Student Resource Package funding through census; and Eligible for English Language School / Centre enrolment.

**Fee liability or exemption is based on the visa held immediately prior to the bridging visa, except where a visa application has been made for a humanitarian visa (see page 2 of this document). Please look up the previous visa in this table to determine fee status. Please note, bridging visas only come into effect when the previous visa expires.**

Schools should select 000 in CASES for students in community detention once they have sighted and retained the necessary DHA or AMES documentation on file.

## NOTE 2

The following note applies to Visa Sub Classes [590](#):

School aged dependants of the holders of this visa subclass may be entitled to study for no more than 3 months.

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## Department of Home Affairs (DHA) – Example of visa grant notice

Please note: the visa example used below is an older visa grant notice, which some students still hold, and is on Department of Immigration and Border Protection letterhead. This was the previous name of DHA.

### What to check on the visa

1. Check that the visa is in the student's name.
2. Check the visa subclass number and sector type and use the visa fee table to check whether the student is fee liable.
3. Check that the visa has not expired (in this example the visa has expired).



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**VISA GRANT NOTICE**  
[name]

**Application details**

Date of visa application	23 November 2016
Transaction reference number (TRN)	xxxxxxxxx
Application ID	xxxxxxxxx
File number	xxxxxxxxx

**Applicant Details**

<b>Applicant Type</b>	<b>Dependent Applicant</b>
<b>Applicant Name</b>	first name SURNAME <b>1</b>
<b>Date of Birth</b>	xx xx 2006
<b>Client ID</b>	xxxxxxxxx

**Grant Details**

<b>Visa Class</b>	Student (Temporary) (class TU)
<b>Visa Subclass</b>	Student (subclass 500)
<b>Sector</b>	Independent ELICOS Sector <b>2</b>
<b>Visa Grant Number</b>	xxxxxxxxx
<b>Visa Grant Date</b>	04 February 2017
<b>Travel Document Number</b>	xxxxxxxxx
<b>Travel Document Country</b>	xxxxxxxxx
<b>Initial Stay Date</b>	19 March 2018
<b>Must Not Arrive After</b>	19 March 2018
<b>Stay Period</b>	19 March 2018 <b>3</b>
<b>Travel Facility</b>	Multiple
<b>Visa Conditions</b>	8104 - WORK LIMITATION 8501 - MAINTAIN HEALTH INSURANCE 8516 - MUST MAINTAIN ELIGIBILITY

Student Visa Centre (Victoria)


**OFFICE:**Ground Floor Casselden Place 2 Lonsdale Street Melbourne VIC 3000  
**POSTAL:**GPO Box 241 Melbourne VIC 3001  
**EMAIL:** student.clients.melbourne@border.gov.au **WEBSITE:** www.border.gov.au

## DHA – Example of an unacceptable visa grant notice

### What to check on the visa

1. This document mentions the student visa subclass but not the sector, so schools cannot determine if the student is fee liable using the visa fee table.
2. This document mentions the visa grant date but not the visa expiry date, which must be monitored.
3. This document does mention the student's name.

This document **is not acceptable evidence** of a 500 visa as it does not contain the visa sector to allow schools to work out fee liability or the visa expiry date. Note: DHA provides visa holders with a more detailed visa grant notice that contains all the necessary information (see example on previous page).



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**Department of Immigration and Border Protection**

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27 November 2017

[student name] [STUDENT SURNAME]  
[address line 1]  
[address line 2]

Dear [student name] [STUDENT SURNAME]

**Notification of grant of a Student (Temporary) (class TU) Student (subclass 500) visa**

A decision has been made on this application and visa(s) have been granted on 27 November 2017 to the applicant(s) listed in the attached visa grant notice.

Keep a copy of this letter and the visa grant notice in a safe place for your reference. Your visa grant notice contains useful information that you will need when accessing your electronic visa record through our digital systems. The information may also assist organisations and airlines when undertaking checks.

Yours sincerely

Department of Immigration and Border Protection

**In reply please quote:**

Client name	[student name] [STUDENT SURNAME]
Date of birth	29 July 2008
Date of visa application	27 September 2017
Application ID	680xxxxxx
Transaction reference number	xxxxxxxxxx
File number	BCxxxxxxxxxx
Visa Application Charge	900xxxxxx
Receipt Number	
Transmission method	Email sent to [email]

The original of this letter including any attachments was sent to:  
[student name] [STUDENT SURNAME]  
[email]

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**Student Visa Processing Centre**  
Department of Immigration and Border Protection  
**WEBSITE:** [www.border.gov.au](http://www.border.gov.au)



## DHA – Example of a Bridging Visa grant notice

### What to check on a Bridging Visa

1. Read Bridging Visa grant notices carefully. Note in the first highlighted section that DHA have granted a Bridging Visa while the application for a Partner visa is considered. Some schools do not check carefully and presume that the student has already been granted a Partner (subclass 820) visa. This is incorrect and your school may not receive funding if the visa is incorrectly entered.
2. Check that the visa is in the student's name.
3. Note that Bridging Visas have grant dates but not expiry dates. This is because DHA do not know how long it will take to process a visa application and the Bridging Visa will remain valid until DHA makes a decision. Note: there have been cases where this takes 18-24 months. You will need to monitor the student's visa status on a regular basis.



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Dear [student first name] [STUDENT SURNAME]

We have issued you a Bridging C visa while your Partner (subclass 820) application is being processed.

**Application status**

New Partner (subclass 820) application:	Received
Bridging C visa:	Active

**Bridging C visa conditions**  
8101 - No work

An explanation of each condition of this Bridging C visa is included below.

You can check the conditions of your Bridging visa at any time by using the Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO) service. The four-digit number presented next to each condition above is used in VEVO to identify each condition that applies to this Bridging C visa.

**Planning to travel?**  
This Bridging visa will end if you leave Australia.

**When does my Bridging visa end?**  
If your application is granted, your Bridging visa will end and your new visa will become active.

If your application is invalid, refused, withdrawn or has an outcome from a merits review decision, your Bridging visa will end after a specified period of time. To understand more about when a bridging visa ends, refer to [www.homeaffairs.gov.au/bridging-visas](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/bridging-visas)

**Bridging visa summary**


Type	Bridging C visa
Status	Active
Name	[student first name] [STUDENT SURNAME]
Date of birth	07 July 2007
Travel	No Travel
Bridging visa conditions	8101 - No work
Date of bridging visa grant	16 May 2018
Bridging visa grant number	xxxxxxxxxxxx
Application ID	xxxxxxxxxx



## Example of a letter from AMES Australia confirming student's refugee status

### What to check on the letter


1. Check the student's name in the letter matches the student who wants to enrol at your school.
2. The letter confirms that the student's family are asylum seekers who are under a residence determination.
3. The letter confirms that the family do not hold visas of any type.

	
25 August 2021	<b>SRSS - Footscray</b> 289 Barkly Street Footscray VIC 3011 Telephone: 03 9680 0177 Facsimile: 03 9680 0178
[school name] [address line 1] [address line 2]	<b>SRSS - Noble Park</b> 60 Douglas Street Noble Park VIC 3174 Telephone 03 8558 8800 Facsimile 03 8558 8869  <a href="http://www.ames.net.au">www.ames.net.au</a>
Attention: [school contact]	
Regarding [student first name] [STUDENT SURNAME]	1
DOB: xx/xx/2016 Address: [student address]	
[student]'s parents wish to enrol [student] at [school]. The family are asylum seekers. [student first name] [STUDENT SURNAME] and his family are under a residence determination. What this means is that while they legally remain in immigration detention, they have been permitted to live at a specified residence in the community.	
The family members do not hold visas of any type.	
If you have any questions, you can refer to the Department of Home Affairs website.	
Kind regards,	
[case officer name] Senior Case Manager AMES Australia – Noble Park	

## Example of a letter from DHA confirming student's refugee status

### What to check on the letter

1. Check the student's name and DOB in the letter matches the student who wants to enrol at your school.
2. The letter confirms that the student does not hold any visa because of their mode of entry into Australia.
3. The letter confirms that the student is entitled to engage in education equal to that of an Australian citizen.

 <b>Australian Government</b> <b>Department of Home Affairs</b>
<b>Official</b>
<p>21 October 2021</p> <p>Regarding: <b>Client name:</b> [student first name] [STUDENT SURNAME] <b>1</b> <b>D.O.B.:</b> xx/xx/20xx <b>Our Client ID:</b> [xxxxxxxxxxx] <b>Nationality:</b> [country]</p> <p>Dear [school name]</p> <p>I am the assigned Status Resolution Officer (Case Manager) from the Department of Home Affairs (Immigration) for the [surname] family. [student first name] [STUDENT SURNAME] is residing in Australia technically as an Unlawful Non-Citizen (UNC); that is, <b>he does not hold a visa.</b> <b>2</b> This immigration status is due to his family's previous mode of entry into Australia as Illegal Maritime Arrivals.</p> <p>However, despite this UNC status, from the Department of Home Affairs' stance, [student first name] [STUDENT SURNAME] <b>is fully able to engage in all forms of primary and secondary education equal to that of an Australian citizen up to the completion of secondary school (year 12 of high school).</b> <b>3</b> Therefore, from a legal immigration stance, [student first name] [STUDENT SURNAME] is able to be enrolled and study at [school name].</p> <p>Please contact me via the below contact details if you require any further information.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>[case officer name] Status Resolution Network   Status Resolution and Visa Cancellation Division Immigration and Settlement Services Group Department of Home Affairs p: [phone number] e: [name]@homeaffairs.gov.au</p> <hr/> <p>6 Chan Street Belconnen ACT 2617 PO Box 25 Belconnen ACT 2616 • Telephone: 02 6264 1111 • Fax: 02 6225 6970 • <a href="http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au">www.homeaffairs.gov.au</a></p>

## Evidence of Immigration Status ImmiCard



If you are in Australia you can apply for an Evidence of Immigration Status ImmiCard if you hold 1 of these visas:

- Bridging visa E granted to Illegal Maritime Arrivals (subclass 050 or 051)
- Bridging (Trafficking) visa (060)
- Bridging (removal pending) visa (subclass 070)
- Humanitarian Stay (temporary) visa holders (subclass 449)
- Temporary Protection visa (subclass 785)
- Temporary (humanitarian concern) visa (subclass 786)
- Safe Haven Enterprise visa (subclass 790)
- Permanent Protection visa (subclass 866)