



Applying for a Joint CAS

A joint **Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS)** covers both your Pre-session course and your main course of study. This means you can apply for a Student Visa to cover the duration of your studies at Brunel University London.

You can apply for a joint CAS if:

- You have an unconditional offer for your main course or it's conditional on you successfully passing a Pre-session English Course. Passing the Pre-session English Course must be the **only** outstanding condition to your offer for the main course.
- Your main course of study will be at degree-level (e.g. NQF 6) or above
- Your pre-session course will last three months or less
- There will be a gap of no more than one month between the end of your pre-session course and the start of your main course
- You can meet the maintenance requirement for the entire course
- You hold a UKVI approved IELTS at a minimum of CEFR B1 Level
- You intend to study both courses at Brunel University London

** Please note, at the end of your Pre-session course you must meet the English Language Requirement for your main course of study in order to progress.*

To apply for a joint CAS you must send us the following:

- Final academic transcript(s) and degree certificate(s)
(If the documents are not in English, please also include certified translations)
- Copies of visa(s) and CAS statement(s) covering all previous UK study
- Pre-session and academic course deposit payment or an Official Financial Sponsor Letter
- A copy of your passport (if not already provided)
- ATAS certificate (this will be stated on your academic offer letter if required).

All documents should be sent to joint-cas@brunel.ac.uk

Please be aware that having a joint CAS/visa will increase the length of time that you will study in the UK at degree level. The UK Home Office have restrictions on the amount of time that you would be allowed to do this. Having a joint CAS/visa may affect you if you wish to undertake further UK study after the degree course you will study at Brunel University London. For details of this please refer to the Student visa Policy Guidance available at the website <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/points-based-system-student-route>.

Useful advice can also be found at the website of the UK Council for International Student Affairs (UKCISA) - <https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/Visas-and-Immigration/Student-route-eligibility-and-requirements#layer-3002>.



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Applying for a Separate CAS

If you cannot / do not wish to apply for a joint CAS, we will:

- Issue you with a separate CAS for your Pre-sessional course
- Issue your next CAS when you have successfully completed the Pre-sessional course
- Support you to make a new visa application in the UK. The Immigration Team will provide you with advice on how to complete your new visa application form. Once complete, the team will check your application and send it off for you (the Student Batch Scheme) to renew your visa for your main course of study.
- You will be able to register and begin your new next course once you have submitted your visa application

Your Maintenance requirement

Joint CAS

If you have a joint CAS, you will need to meet the maintenance requirements to include both the Pre-sessional English course and the **first academic year** of your main degree course. These fees will be added together and will be clearly written on your CAS. You will need to show that you have enough money to pay these remaining fees.

For your living costs, you will need to show the full amount of £12,006 (£1,334 for the first 9 months of your two courses). You must add this amount to your remaining tuition fees.

Separate CAS

If you have separate CAS, you will need to meet the maintenance requirements each time you make a Student visa application. For your Pre-sessional course living costs, you only need to show that you have £1,334 for each month of the Pre-sessional course. But please remember that you will have to make another Student visa application for your main degree course. You will then have to meet the maintenance requirements for this too.

For further details about the maintenance requirements, please refer to the Student visa Policy Guidance available at the website [Student route caseworker guidance - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/student-route-caseworker-guidance) (www.gov.uk). Please read the section: *Funds for Maintenance*.

If you have any queries about which option would suit you, please contact us at admissions.immigration@brunel.ac.uk