ERASMUS+ TRAINEESHIP
APPLYING FOR A VISA TO COME TO THE UK
T5 CERTIFICATE OF SPONSORSHIP and T5 VISA

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Erasmus+ participants who come for a placement in the UK may need a T5 Certificate of Sponsorship and a T5 visa. T5 GAE applicants first need a sponsor before they can apply for their visa. The British Council and Ecorys are licensed Category A sponsors.

Applicants must have their CoS before they apply for their T5 GAE visa via the UK Government website. Please note that applying for a CoS and applying for a visa are two separate processes. The earliest you can apply for a T5 GAE visa is 3 months before the date you are due to start work. The start date is on your CoS. You should get a decision on your T5 GAE visa within 3 weeks when you apply from outside the UK.

British Council will need scanned copies of the following document in PDF or Word format.

- a fully completed T5HE Student Application Form
- the confirmation letter from the sending university (provided by Unimi)
- the acceptance letter from the host organisation
- a fully completed Erasmus+ Learning Agreement for Traineeships
- a transcript of records from the sending institution
- a full copy of the participant's passport
- criminal record check for overseas participants (if applicable)
- a copy of the employment (only required if the participant is being paid a salary from the host organisation).

→ Further information and handbook

T5 VISA

General information: https://www.gov.uk/youth-mobility

→ Applying for a visa
Follow the instructions

Select a country to provide your biometrics

To complete your application, you must make arrangements to provide your biometrics (fingerprints and facial photograph) with our commercial partner, which may involve attending one of their centres. You will be able to see the options available to you after you have completed your application and continue to our commercial partner’s website.

Enter the country in which you are making your application and wish to provide your biometrics

Italy

Can I enter any country?

Check available biometric enrolment locations
Apply for a Tier 5 (Youth Mobility Scheme) visa

You can apply for a Tier 5 (Youth Mobility Scheme) visa if you:

- want to live and work in the UK for up to 2 years
- are aged 18 to 30
- have £1,890 in savings
- have certain types of British Nationality or are from certain countries
- meet the other eligibility requirements

You cannot apply if you have:

- children who live with you
- children you are financially responsible for
- already been in the UK under the scheme or in the former ‘working holidaymaker’ category

Before you start

Before you start your application, read the guidance

- eligibility
- required documents
- fees
- requirement for some applicants to get a TB test
- how long it will take to get your visa

How to apply

To apply for a Tier 5 (Youth Mobility Scheme) visa, you need to:

- complete the application form and answer in English
- pay the health surcharge
- pay for the visa fee online (in most cases)
- provide your biometrics (fingerprints and facial photograph) for a biometric residence permit

If you are inactive for 25 minutes you will be automatically logged out. You will be able to save your application and come back to it another time if you need to.

Biometric information

As part of the application process, you are also required to apply for a biometric immigration document, commonly known as a biometric residence permit (BRP).

How we use your data

The Home Office will use the personal information you provide to consider your application. We may also share your information with other public and private sector organisations in the UK and overseas. For more detail please see the Privacy Notice for the Border, Immigration and Citizenship system. This also sets out your rights under the Data Protection Act 2018 and explains how you can access your personal information and complain if you have concerns about how we are using it.

Apply now

→ Fill-in the fields: