

STUDY IN PORTUGAL - Mobility Term

If you're planning to study in Portugal for a period of time longer than 3 months, you'll need a residence permit, which is only temporary and intended to register students while enrolled at Higher School in Portugal.

What are the conditions and where to apply for a residence permit in Portugal?

Non EU student:

are required to apply for a so called residence visa ("visto para residência") before entering Portugal at the Portuguese embassy or consulate in your home country. The residence visa allows you to enter Portuguese territory in order to apply for a residence permit. For this residence visa, ISEC provides an "Registration Statement" to the student, indicating that the student has been admitted to full-time studies. This statement also declares that the students are free from ISEC fees and that he/she can stay at the IPC residence also referring the residence address (ISEC Letter of Acceptance).

- Upon the student arrival to ISEC, the ISEC IRO (International Relations Office) informs that student must go to the Aliens and Borders Service ("Serviço de Estrangeiros e Fronteiras") asks for the residence permit to be in Portugal. (IRO advises students that they should go to the Aliens and Borders Service in the first 3 days after the arrival date in Coimbra-Portugal).

EU student:

are required to apply for an EU citizen residence card ("Registo de Cidadão da União Europeia ") at the Aliens and Borders Service, in the municipality offices of "Loja do Cidadão" (Serviço de Estrangeiros e Fronteiras, Loja do Cidadão - posto de atendimento da Câmara Municipal). These students have a limit period of 3 months to ask for the EU citizen residence card. ISEC IRO advises these students to apply for the EU citizen residence card when they have a definitive residence address, otherwise for each EU citizen residence card renewal/actualization, students will have to pay 25€ more. This card is valid during the study period stated by ISEC. Students must be awarded of the ID card/passport expire date. Although the study period dates, the EU citizen residence card is no longer valid when the ID card/passport expired. To request the EU citizen residence card, students need to present the following documents:

- ID card/passport, ISEC Statement Letter (confirming that the student is enrolled at ISEC, the study period, address IPC residence (noncompulsory)).

How much does it cost to apply for a residence permit in Portugal?

Non EU Students:

The students from São Tomé, Cape Verde, Angola, Brazil and Mozambique have to pay around 46€ for the residence permit. Students from the rest of the countries have to pay around 146€.

EU Students:

For the EU citizen residence card, EU students must pay around 15€.

Can you move to and study in other European countries if you already hold a residence permit from one member state?

If you are already living in Europe as a student and you hold either a permanent or a temporary residence permit, you might well want to visit various countries and even study part of your degree at another university in a country other than the one where you were granted your residence permit to stay in Europe.

Student Visa Requirements for Study in Portugal

An annual student visa is required to study in Portugal for non-nationals. Student visas may be applied for at the local Portuguese Embassy/Consulate. Documents required:

- Passport or other travelling document (Expiration date not less than three months later than visa's)
- Three passport size photos
- Criminal register
- Health insurance certificate
- Proof of funds upon arrival in Portugal
- [ISEC Acceptance Letter](#)
- Lodging certificate
- Vaccines bulletin
- Academic qualifications document (certified by the local Portuguese Embassy)

SCHOOL REGISTRATION – ISEC

Specific requirements and procedures

The International Relations Office of ISEC is the service that will support the incoming students before, during and after the studies mobility.

After the nomination of the incoming students (first contact with the students/partners institutions), the students receive an e-mail with the information procedures that they should follow in order to enroll ISEC courses. The incoming students should provide the following filled documents:

Incoming ID Form – Request student's personal data;

Application Form – To submit the mobility candidacy;

Learning Agreement – Study plan proposal with ISEC subjects

[Application Form to the IPC residences](#) (not compulsory) ([Information regarding IPC social welfare services](#))

Arrival Form – incoming student inform ISEC IRO about the day/time of his arrival and if is interested in the support of a *ISECbuddy*.

1 photo;

ID card/passport copy.

Welcome to ISEC

Based on received forms, ISEC IRO will provide the personal student registration number. The students will be already registered as ISEC student, with an internet account (access to ISEC webmail, Moodle, wireless, suggestion's box) and library card, when they arrive to ISEC.

By that time, ISEC IRO already knows the day/hour of the student arrival, as well if he/she requested the support of an *ISECbuddy* (arrival form).

- *ISECbuddy* System: An *ISECbuddy* is a student from ISEC, who is registered at IRO, available for help the incoming students. These "*ISECbuddies*" are students who have already had a study experience abroad (or hope to do so in the future). This is why they consider themselves as Spanish, English, German e or French guidemates. With the *ISECbuddy* help, ISEC IRO welcomes the incoming students and supports them in whatever they may need, for example to look for accommodation, to apply for the residence permit (...)

Reception day: Incoming students are welcome in ISEC IRO when they arrive. They receive basic information concerning to the procedures in ISEC, open hours of the ISEC IRO, the available services in ISEC and timetables (library, canteen, bars, copies services, study classrooms, ISEC medical assistance, ISEC Student Association...), the documents that they

need to apply for (residence permit...).They're invited to a guide visit to the ISEC campus, in particular to the respective Department where the student will follow classes. The students are introduced to their ISEC Departmental Coordinator who will aware them about the day-life of that Department, about classes schedules (...)

During the studies mobility incoming students have direct support either from the ISEC IRO, from the Departmental Coordinator and also from the ISEC*buddy* who's "in charge" of the student.

Accommodation option in Coimbra:

IPC Students Residences »128,80€ (down payment +insurance) »125€/month (for long stays); Apartment 150€ / 250€; Living Cost 600€/month.

ISEC/IPC culture and leisure

ISEC have several cultural and leisure activities the interested incoming students are welcome to participate.

"CISEC" – ISEC chorus (<http://www.isec.pt/cisec/>)

CISEC is a singing group composed by students, workers and teachers of ISEC. The singers dressed with the traditional Academic black clothes and cloaks.

ISEC Guitar School

The Guitar School of ISEC is mainly composed by ISEC students who want to know how to play Coimbra Guitar.

AISEC Tuna

This is also a singing group of students from the ISEC Students Association (AEISEC), dressed with black traditional academic clothes, who sing songs about the day-life students, about Coimbra (...). "Tuna" Is a very traditional academic music from Coimbra-Portugal.

Learn foreign languages

Portuguese Intensive Course for Foreigners

This course is a prior learning to be held before the start of the academic year. This is also a learning experience that goes beyond the classroom. During the Course is offered the opportunity to practice the knowledge gained in the classroom within Portuguese students and a variety of extracurricular activities.

[Additional Information](#)

Portuguese Course – “Língua e Cultura Portuguesa”

During the study mobility, the interested students can attend “Língua e Cultura Portuguesa” Course for free and this training can be included on the study plan, within 6 ECTS.

ISEC School Languages

ISEC also offers Foreign Languages Courses suchlike: English, Spanish, German and French. Those Courses are not for free. There's different prices for IPC students/workers and teachers/ex-workers, ex-teachers, ex-students from ISEC/ General community. For students enrolled in IPC Schools the price is 60€ per semester.

[ESN IPCoimbra - Survival Guide](#)