

"Checklist"

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Documents Required:

- **ORIGINAL PASSPORT:** Valid, unexpired passport: Original and photocopy of the page or pages of the passport that contain biometric data. The passport must be valid for at least the requested time of stay and must contain at least two free pages for visas. Passport must have a minimum validity of 1 year. Passports issued more than 10 years ago will not be accepted. If the passport does not meet the requirements, it must be renewed before applying for the visa.
- **VISA APPLICATION:** Only **ONE** visa application completed, **signed** and with **one** recently taken professional passport size picture with **white** background. Photo should be glued and not stapled on the application form
 - a) Please do not forget to fill out numbers 17 (your address, email and telephone number), 28 (complete information related to the university or education center in Spain) and 21 (intended date of entry) on the application form.
 - b) The intended day of entry can be any date until 30 days before the beginning of the study program. If applicable, the visa will be valid for 1 month before the starting date of the study program and 15 days after the ending date of the study program, if nothing indicated.
- **U.S. ADDRESS PROOF:** The applicant must be a legal resident or be enrolled in in-person studies at a center within our consular jurisdiction (Washington, DC., Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina). Residence can be proved by one of the following, valid documents: Photocopy of U.S. Driver's license, State ID, University Student ID. Original ID will be checked at the BLS office.
- **LEGAL STATUS IN THE U.S. FOR NON-U.S. NATIONALS:** Non-U.S. citizens must submit proof of legal residence in the United States: A photocopy of the valid U.S. long term Visa or a copy of the U.S. Resident Card (Green card; please do not submit the original document). Original green card will be checked at the BLS office. F1 student visa holders must submit a photocopy of the I-20 certificate.
- **PROOF OF ADMISSION:** The document must be written in Spanish and be issued in Spain by the authorized university, school or education center and accompanied with a proof of payment.

The document must prove enrollment in:

1. Full-time studies;
2. At an authorized university, school, research or education center;
3. Leading to obtain a degree, diploma or certificate.

The document must indicate, among other information:

1. Name of the authorized university, school or education center;
2. Address, contact e-mail and telephone number of the education center;
3. Student's full name;
4. Name of the program;
5. Start and ending dates of the program;
6. Name, e-mail and telephone number of the person in charge of the program.

The payment requirement may be satisfied by submitting an acceptance letter from the educational center in Spain that certifies any of the following:

1. The enrolment fees have been paid;
2. The enrolment fees are exempt from payment;
3. The enrolment fees have been paid by the student at the center of origin in the USA (within the framework of a program between academic centers or institutions);
4. The center of origin in the USA covers (or is responsible for) the payment of the enrolment fee (within the framework of a program between centers or institutions).
5. Partial payment of enrollment or tuition fees is sufficient. In such cases, the formalization of enrollment is understood to fulfill both the tuition payment and admission requirements.
6. When the deadline for payment of the fee and formalization of registration established by the institution cannot be adjusted to the deadlines of the visa application procedure, this situation and the commitment to pay the registration fees may be accredited.

- **PROOF OF FINANCIAL MEANS:** The applicant must provide documents certifying that he/she (or the legal representative or relative that supports him/her) has sufficient financial means to cover the expenses of student's stay and return, as well as the expenses of any accompanying family members.

The minimum required amount is equivalent to 100% of Spain's IPREM (Public Multiple Effects Income Indicator) for the student. 75% of the IPREM must be added for the first accompanying family member and 50% for each additional family member.

For the year 2026, the minimum monthly required amounts are as follows:

- If the student is applying alone: 100% of monthly IPREM = 600€ per month of stay (approx. \$700).
- If the student is accompanied by one family member: 75% of monthly IPREM = 450€ per month of stay (approx. \$500) must be added.
- For each additional accompanying family member: 50% of monthly IPREM = 300€ per month of stay (approx. \$350) must be added.
- **If the U.S. or Spanish university or school bears full financial responsibility:** If the letter of acceptance or certificate of admission (point 6) certifies that the organization assumes full financial responsibility for room and board, it is not necessary to provide any additional proof of financial means. If not, it is possible to certify the financial support in an additional signed statement or letter from the issuing institution. If the original documents are in English, a translation into Spanish must be submitted.

If the applicant him/herself bears full financial responsibility for room and board: His/her three most recent monthly bank statements, including the applicant's full name and a final balance that covers the required minimum funds. The bank statements in English do not need to be translated into Spanish.

If applicant is receiving financial aid, loans, scholarships or other economic aid that covers the minimum monthly required amount for room and board: Documentation proving the issuance of financial aid, loans, scholarships, or other economic aid. If the original documents are in English, a translation into Spanish must be submitted.

If parent, legal guardian or other relative is bearing full financial responsibility: Notarized letter (original and copy) from at least one of the applicant's parents or guardians, in which they assume full financial responsibility for the applicant's room and board.

Suggested wording: "I hereby certify that I, [full name of parent or guardian], [mother, father, legal guardian] of [full name of applicant], assume full financial responsibility for his/her round-trip ticket between Spain and the United States, as well as his/her monthly room and board expenses while he/she is in Spain, and any addition emergency expenses that may arise during his/her stay."

The applicant must attach all of the following documentation to this notarized letter:

1. Notarized copy of the parent or guardian's ID;
2. Notarized copy of the student's birth certificate, demonstrating parental link, or the ruling or decision by which a legal guardian was determined;
3. The parent or guardian's three most recent monthly bank statements, showing his/her full name and a final balance that covers the required minimum funds (which must cover the student's room and board, as well as the cost of the student's studies or tuition). The bank statements in English do not need to be translated into Spanish.

- **HEALTH INSURANCE:** Proof of public or private health insurance contracted with an insurance entity authorized to operate in Spain.

The health insurance must cover the length of the stay according to the validity period of the study visa. According to the new immigration regulations, the visa will be valid for 1 month before the starting date of the study program and 15 days after the ending date of the study program, if applicable. Please make sure that your insurance policy covers your whole period of intended stay in Spain.

The insurance policy must cover all the risks insured by Spain's public health system and must cover the entire period of the stay. It should have **no coverage limits (Spanish companies offer unlimited coverage), no grace periods for certain benefits, no co-payments, and no deductibles**. Nevertheless, if the policy has a coverage limited to a specific amount, this limit must not be less than 30,000 euros.

Travel insurance is not accepted. An Insurance card will not be accepted as proof of coverage.

- **MEDICAL CERTIFICATE:** All applicants who apply for a study visa, regardless of length of stay, must submit the original and a copy of the medical certificate demonstrating the

applicant does not suffer from any diseases that could have serious repercussions for public health in accordance with the International Health Regulations of 2005.

- The certificate must be issued in the 3 months preceding the submission of the visa application.
- The certificate must include a stamp from the issuing Medical Center, doctor's name and signature, doctor's License Number and date of expedition.
- The certificate must be written on letterhead paper from hospital/doctor's office or directly on the provided template.
- The certificate must be signed by a Doctor (Physician), not by a Nurse Practitioner or a Physician Assistant.

Please include a photocopy (not notarized) of the medical certificate with your submitted documents.

- **ORIGINAL + 1 COPY: POLICE CRIMINAL RECORD CERTIFICATE + APOSTILLE (stays over 180 days):** Must be based on **fingerprint** search verification. The date of the certificate cannot be older than 3 months before the application date. The certificate must be issued from: FBI Records, issued by the U.S. Department of Justice – F.B.I. It must be legalized with the Apostille of The Hague Convention from the U.S. Department of State in Washington DC. You must also present a police record from any countries where you have lived for more than six months during the past five years, with the corresponding Apostille of The Hague and a certified translation into Spanish.
- **BLS DISCLAIMER FORM:** Please add at the end of the application form

IMPORTANT NOTES

Fees for Student visas:

U.S. Citizens: **\$160 USD**

Non U.S.-Citizens: **\$106 USD**

BLS Service Fee: **USD \$20**, SMS Notifications **\$5**, STS Notifications **\$3**

PAYMENT MODE: Debit card only (No money order, credit card or cash accepted)

PASSPORT PICK UP: You may collect all visa-stamped passports from BLS in person once we have received them from the Spain Embassy.

The Consulate will retain the application and supporting documents. Students are responsible for keeping copies of their application forms and all submitted documents for their own records.

The Consulate will return Original Police Criminal Records and Medical Certificates when accompanied by copies. If the copies are not clear/readable, originals will be retained by the Consulate.

Student visa is only for students that will be studying. If you are including a “resident director” and/or “teacher” that will be departing the USA and staying with the students, this adult cannot request a Student visa, this adult must request a VISA FOR EXEMPTION OF WORK PERMIT. Contact the visa department for detailed information.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Above instructions are subject to change anytime due to changes in regulations, availability of staff at the Consulate and worldwide changing situation that may affect requirements and processing.