

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter confirms that students holding a Student Visa are entitled to work in the UK, subject to the Home Office conditions outlined below.

The immigration authorities treat work restrictions very seriously. They can refuse a student's immigration application or remove them from the UK if they work too many hours or do prohibited work. Students may also be barred from returning to the UK for a certain period.

Those holding a student visa must not work more than the hours stated in their Biometric Residence Permit, entry clearance vignette, or eVisa online, during term time, except for an agreed work placement or internship. For further information, see [UWE - Work placements](#) webpage.

If permission to work is not stated in one of these documents, the student is not permitted to work.

It is the Employer's responsibility to do the right-to-work check.

For more information regarding international students working in the UK, please visit:

- [Student Sponsor Guidance- Document 2: Sponsorship Duties- Version 07/2023 - This guidance is to be used from 17 July 2023. Please refer to 6.1, 6.13 and 6.23.](#)
- [Right to work checks: an employer's guide](#)
- [UK Council for International Student Affairs website](#)
- [Checking a job applicant's right to work](#)

Students should not be working more than the relevant hours during these periods when they should be studying, writing a dissertation, or preparing for exams as part of their course, even if they are not expected to attend classes.

A week is considered in this context to run from Monday to Sunday.

Study term times may end on any day of the week, depending upon the education provider. Therefore, if the educational institution's **term time ends** on a Friday, full-time work would be permitted from the next day (in this scenario, a Saturday).

Students should confirm with their sponsor what the term end date is and verify this with their employer as part of the right-to-work checking process when considering working full-time hours. This will allow employers to ensure students are not in breach of their visa conditions.

There are some programmes at UWE that sit outside of these dates, such as **Education, Nursing and other Health care programmes**, which will have their own structure for the academic year. Please contact your school for term dates and vacation periods.

This is the university's term dates webpage [UWE 2024-2025 Term Dates](#).

Please note that postgraduate students are not considered to have summer vacation periods as they are expected to work on their final assessments/dissertations during this time. For this reason, you should restrict your working hours as stated in your BRP/ E-Visa throughout the summer.

[Students who have the right to work](#) are permitted to work full-time outside of term time. This includes the period before their course starts, during the official UWE vacations, or during any period for which they hold permission after completing their course.

Here are the Key Term Dates in the 2024/2025 Academic Year for Postgraduate programmes (PG):

For postgraduate taught students, the course will be taught during three terms, starting in September 2024 or January 2025.

Autumn Term

- Monday 16th September 2024 - Friday 24th January 2025

Spring Term

- Monday 27th January 2025 - Friday 23rd May 2025

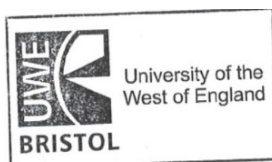
Summer Term

- Monday 26th May 2025 - Friday 29th August 2025

The following vacation dates are considered outside of term time:

- Christmas Vacation: Monday 23rd December 2024 - Friday 3rd January 2025
- Easter Vacation: Monday 7th April 2025 - Friday 25th April 2025

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