

Non-Immigrant ED Visa (For Students Enrolling at Private Schools in Thailand)

Please make an appointment online [VABO] at www.thaiconsulate-visa.jp/vabo/ before visa application.

- **Submission:** working days from 9:30-11:30 hrs. Please refer to www.thaiconsulate.jp for the official holidays of the Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka.
- **Collection:** from 13:30-15:00 hrs. 2 working days from submission date in the absence of error in the application form and required documents. (Visa processing time for certain nationals listed in the guideline for visa application published on our website is 45-60 days.)

Purpose of entry	For students to enroll at formal educational institutions (elementary schools, junior schools, high schools and universities) approved by the Ministry of Education of Thailand	Number of Entries	Single (1 time of entry)
		Term of validity	3 months
	For students to enroll at international schools or international programmes in private universities	Duration of stay	90 days from entry date
		Visa Fee (Cash only)	10,000 Yen
Notice	<p>※Students of non-formal schools/unofficial courses under the law of private schools or other private educational institutions, such as languages school, boxing classes, are not eligible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Applicant must enter Thailand on the date specified in the airline ticket or ticket reservation confirmation ● Upon arrival to Thailand, the period of stay is granted by an immigration officer in accordance with the type of visa; travelers who wish to stay longer than the granted period must file an application for permission of extension of stay at offices of the Immigration Bureau of Thailand; the extension of stay as well as the change of certain type of visa is solely at the discretion of the Immigration officer in Thailand ● In case that visa application is rejected, the visa fee will not be refunded and the submitted documents will not be returned to the applicant ● The following required documents are subject to change without prior notice ● The Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka reserves the right to request additional documents as deemed necessary and reserves the right to reject an application without providing any reasons ● Fraud or misrepresentation can result in permanent visa ineligibility 		

Required Documents

1. **Passport** Original and copy
 - Passport with validity not less than 6 months
 - At least 2 blank pages left

2. Visa Application Form

- One Visa Application Form completely filled out and signed as the same as the applicant's passport signature
(downloadable at (http://www.thaiconsulate.jp/files/user/visa_pdf/Application_Form.pdf)

3. One Photograph

- Size 3.5 cm × 4.5 cm
- Colour photograph taken within the last 3 months
- Attach the photograph to the Visa Application Form
- Note that the number of photographs required depending on the applicant's nationality, please check the additional required documents for Non-Japanese applicants below

4. Personal History

- One Personal History completely filled out and signed as the same as the applicant's passport signature
(downloadable at (http://www.thaiconsulate.jp/files/user/visa_pdf/personal-history.pdf)

5. Invitation Letter issued by educational institution, school, or university in Thailand

- Must be an original invitation letter written in English (PDF or fax copy is not acceptable)
- Must have the letter head of educational institution, school or university
- Must address to “Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka”
- Must contain the applicant's name / purpose of visit / date of entry / length of stay and type of visa
- Must have the official seal and include the autograph of the authorised representative
(electronic signature is not acceptable)

6. Recommendation Letter issued by educational institution, school, or university in Japan

- Must be an original Recommendation Letter written in English (PDF or fax copy is not acceptable)
- Must have the letter head of educational institution, school or university
- Must address to “Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka”
- Must contain the applicant's name / purpose of visit / date of entry /length of stay and type of visa
- Must have the official seal and include the autograph of the authorised representative
(electronic signature is not acceptable)

※ In case that the Recommendation Letter from educational institution, school, or university in Japan cannot be shown, **an original guarantee letter must be presented together with a copy of guarantor's passport or driving license duly signed by the guarantor**

Guarantee Letter (http://www.thaiconsulate.jp/files/user/visa_pdf/Guarantee_Letter.pdf)

- A guarantor must be twenty (20) years of age or older, must be able to confirm the applicant's personal attributes. A guarantor must be available to be contacted by the Consulate-General and must not be a person who will accompany the applicant to Thailand
- A guarantor who are not Japanese national must provide a copy of passport and residence card (front and backside) *Guarantor must be Japanese or non-Japanese who has permanent residence in Japan.)
- A guarantor must sign as the same as the guarantor's identification document signature
- Japanese guarantor who prefers to use driver license, please sign as the same as signature in the guarantor letter on the copy of driver license (front and backside)

7. Approval Letter issued by the Office of Private Education Commission of Thailand (OPEC)

- Must be an original Approval Letter (PDF or fax copy is not acceptable)
- For students enrolling in international schools/universities or graduate students in which those schools/universities have already registered with the Office of Private Education Commission of Thailand, it is not necessary to show an approval letter
- Must contain applicant's name and type of visa

8. For applicant aged under 20 years, please provide the following documents:

8.1 An original guarantee letter from parents or guardians must be presented together with a copy of guarantor's passport or driving license duly signed by the guarantor

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- A guarantor must sign as the same as the guarantor's identification document signature
- Japanese guarantor who prefers to use driver license, please sign as the same as signature in the guarantor letter on the copy of driver license (front and backside)

8.2 Official documents proving family relationship with the applicant

- For Japanese national, an original Household Registration (KOSEKITOHON) issued within 3 months
- For Non-Japanese nationality, Residence Records (JUMINHYO) or birth certificate of your country with English translation is required

9. One copy of confirmed airline ticket paid in full or ticket reservation confirmation

- The confirmed airline ticket paid in full or ticket reservation confirmation must be issued by airline or travel company and must contain the applicant's name, flight number and date arrival

10. For studying at university, applicant's original criminal record in a sealed envelope

Additional Required Documents for Non-Japanese Applicants

11. One copy of residence card (front and backside)

(On the applying date, please present the original document of identification)

- Valid for at least 3 months
- For those who are currently applying for renewal of residence card, please submit a copy of acceptance of renewal issued by the Immigration Bureau of Japan

12. Additional Colour Photograph(s) affixed to the application form

(Only for the applicant from the listed countries below)

- Applicant with nationality of No. 1-28, please provide 3 application forms and 3 photographs
- Applicant with nationality of No. 29-30, please provide 4 application forms and 4 photographs

1. Afghanistan	2. Bangladesh	3. Egypt	4. North Korea
5. Libya	6. Palestine	7. Sudan	8. Yemen
9. Cameroon	10. Democratic Republic of the Congo	11. Republic of Congo	12. Equatorial Guinea
13. Guinea	14. Algeria	15. China	16. Iraq
17. Lebanon	18. Nepal	19. Pakistan	20. Sri Lanka
21. Syria	22. Ghana	23. Central African Republic	24. Somalia
25. Sao Tome and Principe	26. Liberia	27. Sierra Leone	28. Myanmar holding a Re-Entry Permit to Japan issued by the Ministry of Justice of Japan
29. Nigeria	30. Iran		

* Visa processing time for certain nationals listed above is approximately 3-60 days

* For Nigeria nationals, please submit all required documents, including a Certificate of Clearance, with the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA). In addition, this Certificate should be certified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and then by the Royal Thai Embassy in Abuja