Students who are EU or EEA / EFTA nationals (i.e. citizens of the EU member states, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland) do not require a visa to study here. It is enough to arrive with a valid passport (or national ID card).

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Upon arrival

You are obliged to register with the appropriate Foreign Police Department within 30 days of arrival (in case your intended stay exceeds these 30 days). However, this obligation is not necessary if your accommodation provider (e.g. student residence hall, hostel, hotel) has already done so.

Foreign Police Departments:
- Prague: web pages ; address: Olšanská 2, Praha 3
- Hradec Králové: web pages ; address: Ulrichovo náměstí 810, Hradec Králové
- Pilsen: web pages ; address: Slovanská alej 26, Plzeň

Residence card

If you intend to stay in the Czech Republic for longer than 3 months, you are entitled (but not obliged) to apply for a certificate of temporary residence or a permanent residence permit to be issued. When submitting a residence application at the Ministry of the Interior (scroll down for ‘STUDENTS WORKPLACE’), certain processing fee is to be paid.

Students who obtain this Certificate of Temporary or Permanent Residence are issued with a special card (known as a European Card) officially confirming a short-term Czech address and therefore can be used for many transactions that require an official proof of Czech address (opening a bank account, purchase of a mobile phone on a contract, getting any temporary job, etc.).

After obtaining your residence card, you are bound to report any changes to the information contained on it, again, to the Ministry of the Interior. For stays without any residence card, these changes are to be reported to the relevant Foreign Police Department. In the end, remember to return the card 3 days before leaving the country.

If you have any questions regarding your stay for the purpose of studies, do not hesitate and contact officers from the Ministry of the Interior, Department for Asylum and Migration Policy (Students Workplace) via e-mail at pobyt@mvcr.cz, phone at +420 974 820 680 or their hotline. You may also use services provided by dedicated NGOs (see here and here).