

Maintenance needed for students (and their dependents) extending or switching visa

Type of visa	Student	Dependent(s)
Student Route Visa *Only students studying on level 7 & 8 can sponsor dependents	Students need £1,334 for each month of their course, up to a maximum of nine months - equivalent of £12,006. Fund must be held in place for a minimum of 28 full days	£845 for each month of the main applicant (student) immigration permission* per each dependent. This is up to a maximum of 9 months and therefore a maximum figure of £7,605. Fund must be held in place for a minimum of 28 full days <i>*immigration permission is generally 4 months in addition to the length of the course</i> Example: Student is extending leave for 3 months with a spouse and 2 children- they will need to show £4,002 (£1,334 x 3) for themselves and £ 5,915 (£845 x 7) for each dependent. So, in total, they will need to show £21,747
Innovator Founder Visa	How much you pay for an Innovator Founder Visa depends on your situation and where you apply from: - Apply (outside the UK) £1,036 - Extend or switch (in the UK) £1,292	Your Partner and Children Apply (outside the UK) £1,036 per person Extend or switch (in the UK) £1,292 per person You must pay the visa fee for each person that applies at the same time as you or applies later to join you in the UK. Health surcharge has to be paid at the time of application.
Skilled Worker Route	No evidence of maintenance required if applying in UK and have been living here with a valid visa for at least 12 months, otherwise maintenance of £1270 for one month.	The same for any dependant. The equivalent amounts for a dependant who needs to show maintenance are £285 for a partner, £315 for the first child and £200 for each further child. Money can be held in their name, in, the Start-up scheme participant's name or, for a child only, in the name of the other parent.
Study English in the UK	No fixed amount- however it is recommended they show similar funds to those required by Student Route Visa students	N/A students in this type of visa cannot sponsor dependents
Graduate Route Visa	No financial documents required	Only applicable to current PG and PHD dependents
Standard Visitor Visa	No fixed amount- however it is recommended they show similar funds to those required by Student Route visa students	N/A students in this type of visa cannot sponsor dependents

Please note: No evidence of maintenance (your money) is required if you are applying in the UK and you have been living here with a valid visa for at least 12 months. This is the same for any dependants who are applying in the UK.

UKVI staff guidance : Family members of points-based system migrants:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/877396/family-members-of-sws-migrants-v18.0.pdf

UKVI dependents guidance:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/869768/SWS_Dependant_Guidance_02-2020

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