

RIN - 14/2013 – EDUCATION AND RESEARCH RESIDENCE VISA TYPE

Visa type required for carrying out education, research, development and innovation activities in public or private institutions in the cases specified below:

- Research personnel referred to in the First Additional Provision and Article 13 of Law No. 14/2011 of 1 June 2011 on Science, Technology and Innovation.
- Scientific and technical personnel who will carry out scientific research, development and technological innovation activities in commercial entities established in Spain or in R&D centres.
- Residence permit for education and research processed by the Large Companies and Strategic Collective Units and granted by the General Directorate of Migration of the Ministry of Labour and Social Security.
- Researchers invited by public or private research organisations under an agreement.
- Professors employed by universities, institutions or higher education and research centres or business schools established in Spain.

The following members of the same family may apply together and benefit from this visa:

- Spouses or persons in a legally registered partnership (pareja de hecho).
- Children under 18 years of age or adult children who are dependent on the family.
- Adult family members who are economically dependent on the applicant(s).

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

1. National Visa Application Form:

Completely filled in and signed (in Spanish or English or Turkish).

2. Photograph:

One biometric photograph with a white background (3 x 4 cm).

3. Valid Passport or Travel Document:

The original passport and a photocopy of the page containing the passport details must be submitted.

The passport must be valid for at least one year and must have at least two blank pages. Passports issued more than 10 years ago will not be accepted.

4. Letter of Intent:

A letter in which the applicant expresses themselves and details the reason for travel, preferably in Spanish, Turkish or English.

5. Flight Ticket Reservation:

If the period of study is less than 180 days, a round-trip ticket is required.

If the period of study is more than 180 days, only a one-way ticket is required.

6. Document Showing Accommodation in Spain:

Hotel reservation, rental agreement, etc.

A rental agreement together with the invitation letter and/or a copy of the tenant's identity document, a hotel reservation (minimum 15 days), or a document issued by the educational institution on the other side indicating the accommodation address.

7. Residence Permit Document Obtained from Spain:

Residence permit document obtained from the "Unidad de Grandes Empresas y Colectivos Estratégicos" (Large Companies and Strategic Collective Units).

8. Documents Proving Financial Means:

Documents showing that the applicant and/or family members have sufficient financial resources and a regular source of income.

Bank statements must be signed and stamped by the bank in wet ink.

9. Health Insurance:

Health insurance taken out with a Spanish insurance company covering the entire period during which the applicant will be in Spain (for stays longer than one year, the insurance must cover a maximum of one year), together with the payment receipt.

10. Criminal Record Certificate:

The original and a photocopy of the Criminal Record Certificate of all visa applicants who are of an age at which a criminal record certificate can be obtained.

After having the document notarised and translated into Spanish, it must be apostilled with the "La Haye" Apostille stamp by the Governor's Office.

A criminal record certificate must be obtained from every country in which the applicant has had a long-term residence during the last five years. These documents must be translated into Spanish and apostilled with the "La Haye" Apostille.

The Criminal Record Certificate must not be older than 3 months.

11. Medical Certificate:

(Required for stays exceeding 180 days.)

The original and a photocopy of a medical certificate obtained from a fully equipped hospital must be submitted.

After having the certificate notarised and translated into Spanish, it must be apostilled with the "La Haye" Apostille stamp by the Governor's Office.

The following statement must be included in the medical certificates:

“The person named (person's name), who has applied to our hospital, does not suffer from any disease that may constitute a public health risk in accordance with the World Health Organization International Health Regulations (2005).”

The certificate must not be older than 3 months.

12. Residence Certificate

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR FAMILY MEMBERS

If family members are also applying at the same time:

All documents listed in the above sections must also be submitted separately for each family member.

The signature sections on the forms of persons under 18 years of age must be signed by their mother and father.

Birth Certificate:

For children, a birth certificate must be submitted after having it notarised and translated into Spanish and apostilled with the “La Haye” Apostille stamp by the Governor's Office, or Form A may be submitted (no translation is required, only an Apostille is required).

Original documents must not be older than 3 months.

Marriage Certificate:

If husband and wife are applying together, a Marriage Certificate must be submitted after having it notarised and translated into Spanish and apostilled with the “La Haye” Apostille stamp by the Governor's Office, or Form B may be submitted (no translation is required, only an Apostille is required).

Original documents must not be older than 3 months.

VISA PROCESS

If your residential address is within the area of responsibility of the Embassy of Spain in Ankara, you may submit your visa application through BLS Ankara.

(Adana, Adıyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Ağrı, Aksaray, Amasya, Ankara, Ardahan, Batman, Bayburt, Bingöl, Bitlis, Çankırı, Çorum, Diyarbakır, Elazığ, Erzincan, Erzurum, Eskişehir, Gaziantep, Gümüşhane, Hakkari, Hatay, Iğdır, Kahramanmaraş, Karaman, Kars, Kayseri, Kilis, Kırıkkale, Kırşehir, Konya, Kütahya, Malatya, Mardin, Mersin, Muş, Nevşehir, Niğde, Osmaniye, Şanlıurfa, Siirt, Şırnak, Sivas, Tokat, Tunceli, Uşak, Van, Yozgat, Azerbaijan, Northern Cyprus, Northern Iraq.)

Applicant:

The applicant must appear in person for the visa application and passport collection.

If the applicant cannot appear in person, they must provide the original power of attorney issued before a notary to the person submitting the application or collecting the passport (with a notarised Spanish translation and “La Haye” Apostille).

MISSING DOCUMENTS AND INTERVIEW

The Embassy may request additional documents or request changes to the documents already submitted.

If deemed necessary, the applicant may be requested to attend an interview.

VISA PROCESSING TIME

The Embassy will make a positive or negative decision no later than 10 days from the date of application. This period may be extended due to missing documents or the need for an interview.

CANCELLATION OF THE VISA

Even if the visa has been approved, it may be cancelled at the request of the applicant.

After learning that the visa has been processed, the applicant may personally come to the Embassy and request its cancellation within a maximum of 1 month.

VISA REFUSAL

If the visa is refused by the Embassy, the reasons for refusal will be notified in writing.

APPEALS

The applicant has the right to submit a written appeal within a maximum of 1 month starting from the day following the date on which the visa refusal document is received.

If the applicant wishes to appeal in Spain, an appeal may be filed before the High Court of Madrid within 2 months.

VISA VALIDITY PERIOD

A 1-year visa will be issued.

If requested, an application may be made for a residence card in Spain.

ATTENTION

Foreign nationals who do not hold a Republic of Türkiye passport but officially reside within the area of jurisdiction of the Embassy of Spain in Ankara and hold a passport of a foreign country **MUST SUBMIT ALL THEIR DOCUMENTS IN SPANISH.**