

RIN – Visa for Education and Research (Law No. 14/2013)

The visa required for conducting education, research, development, and innovation activities in public or private institutions under the following conditions:

- Research personnel referred to in the first annex provision and Article 13 of Law No. 14/2011 on Science, Technology, and Innovation dated June 1, 2011.
- Scientific and technical personnel who will carry out scientific research, development, and technological innovation work in commercial establishments or R&D centers established in Spain.
- Residence permit for education and research processed by the Large Companies and Strategic Collectives Unit and issued by the General Directorate of Migration of the Ministry of Labor and Social Security.
- Researchers invited under an agreement by public or private research institutions.
- Professors employed by universities, institutions, higher education and research centers, or business schools established in Spain.

Family members with the following characteristics can apply together and benefit from this visa:

- Spouses or registered domestic partners (pareja de hecho).
- Minor children or dependent adult children.
- Dependent adult family members of the person being joined.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

1. **APPLICATION FORM** (Completed and signed in Spanish or English.)
2. **BIOMETRIC PHOTO** One biometric photo with a white background (3 x 4 cm).

3. **RESIDENCE PERMIT** Original and a copy of the residence permit issued by **UNIDAD DE GRANDES EMPRESAS Y COLECTIVOS ESTRATÉGICOS**
4. **CRIMINAL RECORD** Original and a copy of the criminal record certificate for all visa applicants of eligible age (after notarized translation into Spanish, it must be apostilled by the Government Delegation with the Hague Apostille). Criminal records must be obtained from each country where long-term residence has occurred in the last five years, with Spanish translation and Hague Apostille. The criminal record must not be older than 3 months.
5. **PROOF OF RESIDENCE (TRANSLATED TO ENGLISH OR SPANISH)**
6. **POPULATION REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE (TRANSLATED TO ENGLISH OR SPANISH)**
7. **COPY OF PASSPORT AND ID** All processed pages of the valid passport and a copy of the ID.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR FAMILY MEMBERS

In addition to the documents listed above:

- **FOR CHILDREN: BIRTH CERTIFICATE:** For children, a birth certificate (after notarized translation into Spanish, it must be apostilled by the Government Delegation with the Hague Apostille) or FORMUL A (translation not required, only apostille needed). Original documents must be no older than 3 months.
- **FOR SPOUSES: MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE:** If spouses are applying together, a marriage certificate (after notarized translation into Spanish, it must be apostilled by the Government Delegation with the Hague Apostille) or FORMUL B (translation not required, only apostille needed). Original documents must be no older than 3 months.

A document proving that the person being joined has been economically dependent on the joining person for the past year.

Visa Process

- **Applicant:** The applicant must appear in person for the visa application and passport submission.
- **Visa Application Period:** It is recommended to apply at least 35 days before the planned start dates.
- **Missing Documents and Interview:** The embassy may request additional documents or changes to the existing documents. If deemed necessary, an interview with the applicant may be requested.
- **Visa Decision Process:** The embassy will make a decision, either positive or negative, within a maximum of 1 month from the date of application. This period may be extended due to missing documents or the need for an interview.
- **Visa Cancellation:** Even if the visa is granted, it can be canceled at the applicant's request. The applicant can request the cancellation in person at the embassy within 1 month after being notified of the visa decision.
- **Visa Refusal:** In case of visa refusal by the embassy, the reasons for the refusal will be provided in writing.
- **Appeal Procedures:** The applicant has the right to appeal in writing within 1 month from the day following receipt of the visa refusal notice. If the appeal needs to be made in Spain, it can be done at the Madrid High Court within 2 months.