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Editorial....

Dear Readers,

The global landscape of education, employment, and migration is transforming at an unprecedented pace. Policy reforms, labour market shifts, and geopolitical developments are reshaping how students and professionals plan their international futures. For aspirants across India and beyond, staying informed is no longer optional – it is essential.

In this edition of Moon Global Times, we present carefully curated updates from key global destinations including Canada, the UK, the USA, Australia, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Malaysia, Japan, Dubai, Malta, and emerging pathways worldwide. Each nation is recalibrating its approach – refining student visa frameworks, restructuring work routes, and redefining long-term settlement options.

Canada continues to prioritise structured immigration pathways and skilled workforce alignment. The UK and Australia are implementing compliance-driven student and migration reforms. Meanwhile, European nations such as Germany, France, Spain, Italy, and Malta are strengthening their appeal through affordable education models, industry-linked programs, and clear post-study work opportunities. Japan’s expanding skilled sectors and Dubai’s investor-friendly, tax-efficient ecosystem further reflect the diversity of global mobility options available today.

In this evolving environment, clarity matters more than ever. Aspirants are not just searching for destinations – they are seeking direction. Accurate insight, timely updates, and strategic planning are the pillars of successful international journeys.

At Moon Overseas, our commitment remains steadfast. Guided by our philosophy “Learn – Plan – Go”, we strive to provide dependable guidance that empowers you to make informed decisions with confidence and foresight.

We sincerely appreciate the trust you continue to place in the Moon Overseas family. May this edition equip you with the perspective and preparation needed to move closer to your global aspirations.

**For the journey ahead and the horizons beyond,
Moon Overseas – Always With You.**

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CANADA

The World's Unique Country



Country Overview

- Capital: Ottawa
- Largest City: Toronto
- Population: 4 crores (40 million approx.)
- Official Languages: English and French
- Currency: Canadian Dollar (CAD)
- Time Zone: 6 different time zones
- Education System: Excellent quality with global recognition

Education and Learning

- Most popular cities for students: Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal, Calgary, Ottawa
- Top Universities: University of Toronto | McGill University | University of British Columbia (UBC) | University of Alberta | McMaster University
- Annual Tuition Fee: CAD 15,000 – 35,000 (₹9–20 lakhs approx.)
- Average Living Cost: CAD 10,000 – 15,000 (₹6–9 lakhs approx.)
- Post-Study Work Permit (PGWP): Up to 3 years of work eligibility after graduation

Employment and Economy

- Key Sectors: Technology, Healthcare, Finance, Engineering, IT, Mining
- 2025 Most Demanding Fields: Software Development, Project Management, Accounting/Banking, Truck Driving, Construction, General Labour
- Minimum Wage: CAD 16.65 per hour (varies by province)
- Major Work Permits: LMIA, Express Entry, PNP, PGWP, Spousal Open Work Permit

Immigration and PR Pathways

- Major pathways for permanent residency: Express Entry (FSW / CEC / FSTP) Provincial Nominee Program (PNP), Atlantic Immigration Program Rural & Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) Family Sponsorship
- Annual Immigration Target (2025): 5 lakh new PR holders
- PR processing time: 6 to 12 months (depending on stream)
- Citizenship requirement: Stay in Canada for at least 3 years within the last 5 years

Lifestyle and Culture

- Globally ranked among the Top 10 countries in quality of life
- Safety Index: 9.2 / 10 (very high safety)
- Major Festivals: Canada Day, Thanksgiving, Calgary Stampede, Christmas
- Climate: Winter – Cold and Snowy Summer – Pleasant and Green
- Housing: Safe and modern homes
- Healthcare: Free for permanent residents and citizens
- Religion: 1 out of every 5 Canadians identifies as Muslim

Interesting Facts

- 20% of total freshwater of the world is in Canada
- Canada has the world's longest coastline (202,080 km)
- The new \$1 coin features an image of a flying loon
- CN Tower (Toronto) was once the world's tallest freestanding structure

U.K - Education and Lifestyle Information

Country Overview

- Capital: London
- Major Cities: London, Manchester, Birmingham, Leeds, Liverpool, Edinburgh
- Population: Approx. 6.8 crore (68 million)
- Official Language: English
- Currency: British Pound (GBP)
- Government Type: Constitutional Monarchy and Parliamentary Democracy
- Main Sectors: Services, Retail, Banking, Health, IT

Education and Learning

- Top Student Cities: London, Manchester, Birmingham, Nottingham, Leeds, Glasgow
- Leading Universities:
University of Oxford | University of Cambridge | University College London
University of Manchester | King's College London
- Tuition Fees (Annual): £12,000 – £22,000 (approx. ₹12 to ₹22 lakhs)
- Living Cost (Per Year): £10,000 – £15,000
- Average Annual Expenses: ₹20 lakhs
- Post-Study Work Visa (PSW): Up to 2 years stay and work permit after graduation

Employment and Economy

- Key Sectors: Technology, Healthcare, Engineering, Education, Agriculture, Research, Finance, Retail, Software Engineering
- Average Annual Salary: £30,000 – £45,000
- Major Work Visas: Skilled Worker Visa, Graduate Visa, Health & Care Visa, Startup/Innovator Visa

Immigration and PR

- Permanent Residency (PR) Pathways:
- Skilled Worker Visa → Eligible for ILR (Indefinite Leave to Remain) after 5 years
- Innovator / Investor Visa, Family Visa, Global Talent Visa
- For Citizenship:
- Must live in the UK for at least 5 years and pass English and Life in the UK tests
- Tax Benefits: Up to 15% savings depending on category

Lifestyle and Culture

- Quality of Life: Ranked in the top 15 countries in the world
- Safety: High level – safe for international students
- Weather: Cool, rainy and temperate year-round
- Popular festivals: Christmas, Easter, New Year, Notting Hill Carnival
- Transport system: One of the most modern metro and train systems in the world

Interesting Facts

- Over 300 languages are spoken every day in London.
- The United Kingdom has the world's oldest parliament.
- Oxford University has been teaching since 1096 – one of the world's oldest universities.
- The British Museum houses over 8 million historical objects.
- London Bridge and Big Ben are world-famous symbols.





U.S.A

Important Information

Country Overview

- Capital: Washington, D.C.
- Major Cities: New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Houston, San Francisco, Boston
- Population: Over 34 crores (340 million)
- Official Language: English
- Currency: U.S. Dollar (USD)
- Government Type: Federal Republic (Presidential System)
- Number of States: 50



Education and Learning

- Top Universities: Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Stanford, University, University of California, Berkeley, Columbia University
- Annual Tuition Fees: USD 20,000 – 45,000 (approx. ₹16 – ₹36 lakhs)
- Living Costs: USD 10,000 – 18,000 per year
- Work Options for Students:
- On-Campus Work – up to 20 hours per week
- OPT (Optional Practical Training) – up to 1 year after graduation
- STEM Students: OPT up to 3 years
- Student Visa Types: F1, J1, M1

Employment and Economy

- World's Largest Economy: GDP of USD 27 Trillion (2025 projection)
- Key Industries: IT, Healthcare, Engineering, Education, Agriculture, Business, Manufacturing
- Top Jobs for 2025: Software Developers, Doctors/Nurses, Mechanical Engineers, Electrical Engineers, Marketing and Financial Analysts
- Average Salary: USD 55,000 – 80,000 per year
- Common Work Visas: H1-B, L-1, O-1, EB-3, TN Visa

Immigration and PR Pathways

Main Immigration Programs:

- Employment-Based Green Card (EB1, EB2, EB3, EB5)
- Family-Based Green Card
- Diversity Visa Lottery (DV Lottery)
- Investor Visa (EB5 – USD 800,000 or more investment)
- Green Card Eligibility: 2 to 6 years
- Citizenship Eligibility: After 5 years of permanent residence
- Annual Immigrant Intake: Over 1 million people become permanent residents

Lifestyle and Culture

- Quality of Life: Ranked among the world's top 10 countries
- Safety: Excellent living conditions and educational environment
- Diversity: A blend of people from all over the world
- Famous Landmarks: The Statue of Liberty (New York), Grand Canyon, White House, Hollywood Sign
- Major Festivals: Christmas, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Independence Day (July 4th)
- Lifestyle: Fast-paced, modern, and highly digitalized society

Interesting Facts

- The USA is home to some of the world's largest tech companies – Google, Apple, Microsoft, Amazon.
- Over 10 lakh (1 million) Indian students and professionals live in the U.S.
- The United States has the world's largest economy.
- Top 8 universities from the USA are ranked among the world's best.
- The U.S. dollar is the most widely used global currency.
- Hollywood – the world's biggest entertainment industry – is based here.



Canada – Immigration, Student & Work Updates

IMMIGRATION – POLICY & DRAW TRENDS

Francophone PR category officially reinforced

Federal targets continue moving toward 12% Francophone PR allocation by 2029, making French speakers one of the strongest PR segments in 2026–2028.

Category-Based Express Entry remains dominant

- Priority occupations consistently observed: | Healthcare & Caregivers | Construction & Skilled Trades
- Transport & Logistics | STEM & IT

CEC (Canadian Experience Class)

Clear policy signals favor onshore candidates with Canadian education or work experience, keeping CEC relevant despite selective draws.

PNP Programs tightening criteria

Provinces increasingly issuing nominations to:

- Candidates already working in the province
- Occupations listed in regional labour shortages
- Applicants with employer linkage



STUDY PERMIT – LATEST DEVELOPMENTS

Stricter scrutiny continues after cap implementation

Officers now heavily assess:

- Course relevance to previous education
- Long-term career outcomes
- Genuine temporary intent

Finance Evidence under close review

- Clear source of funds mandatory
- Sudden or unexplained deposits leading to refusals
- GIC + Tuition payment clarity critical

Public institutions clearly preferred

Applications linked to:

- Public colleges / universities
- PGWP-eligible programs show higher approval consistency.

SOP quality is now a deciding factor

Generic or copied SOPs increasingly flagged.

WORK & LABOUR MARKET UPDATE

Severe labour shortages officially acknowledged across provinces

Strong hiring demand for:

- ECE (Early Childhood Educators)
- PSW & Healthcare Assistants
- Truck Drivers & Heavy Equipment Operators
- Welders, Electricians, Plumbers
- **Employer-driven PR pathways expanding:** Job-linked PR routes gaining momentum via PNP streams.

Onshore hiring preference

Employers actively prefer candidates:

- Already in Canada
- With open work permits or PGWP



UK - Immigration, Student & Work Updates

STUDENT VISA

Intake & Admission Trends

September 2026 intake aggressively open across Russell Group & public universities.

Universities issuing:

- Conditional Offer Letters
- Deposit deadlines earlier than previous cycles

Popular courses filling faster in:

- Business & Management
- Data Science & AI
- Public Health
- Engineering



GRADUATE ROUTE (PSW) – Strategic Importance

- Still 2 years for Bachelor & Master graduates
 - 3 years for PhD graduates
 - No sponsor required
 - Allows full-time work
- However:**
- Government reviewing migration numbers
 - Future policy tightening possible post-2026

SKILLED WORKER VISA – Labour & Compliance

Demand Sectors (Jan–Feb 2026 Observed Hiring Trends)

- Healthcare (Nurses, Care Workers)
- IT (Developers, Cybersecurity)
- Civil & Mechanical Engineering
- Secondary School Teachers (STEM subjects)

Compliance Updates

- Sponsors under stricter monitoring
- Genuine vacancy checks intensified
- Salary thresholds strictly enforced
- Small businesses facing higher audit frequency

DEPENDANTS UPDATE (Important)

- Students in taught Master's programs generally cannot bring dependants unless in eligible research programs.
- Skilled Worker route still allows dependants (subject to income & compliance rules).

PR / ILR LONG-TERM PATHWAY

Typical structured route:

- Study (1 year Master's)
- 2-Year Graduate Route
- Skilled Worker Visa
- 5 Years Continuous Residence
- ILR (Permanent Settlement)



USA - Immigration, Student & Work Updates

STUDY (F-1) – Key Operational Updates

SEVP / SEVIS System Update (Schools & Students Impact)

SEVP Portal Release 6.10 announced with a planning guide and a SEVIS broadcast notice (system updates, known-issue fixes, portal enhancements).

This matters because many student tasks (address updates, employment reporting, etc.) rely on SEVP/SEVIS workflows.

Visa Interview Waiver (Renewals)

The U.S. Department of State continues implementing Interview Waiver rules updated effective Oct 1, 2025 (renewal eligibility tightened; consulates still have discretion to call applicants for interview).

Student Advisory (Trend): Expect stronger intent checks in F-1 interviews (clear academic purpose + post-study plan + home ties).

WORK FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS – OPT / STEM OPT

STEM OPT (24-month extension rules remain active)

- USCIS guidance for STEM OPT extension remains in force (24-month extension for eligible STEM degrees, with compliance requirements).
- DHS “Study in the States” continues to emphasize STEM OPT timeline + SEVIS-managed dates and reporting requirements.

Premium Processing Fees Increasing (Important cost change)

- USCIS confirmed Premium Processing fees increase effective March 1, 2026. This impacts multiple case types that students and workers commonly use (where eligible).

Magazine Note: Anyone planning premium processing should budget for higher fees from March 1, 2026.

H-1B (Work Visa) – FY 2027 Cap Season Announced

Official Registration Window

- USCIS announced: FY 2027 H-1B cap initial registration opens March 4, 2026 (12 PM ET) and closes March 19, 2026 (12 PM ET).
- USCIS also notes selections will be made after the registration period (process details on USCIS pages).

Strategy Insight: Students on OPT/STEM OPT should align job joining + employer planning before March if H-1B is the target.

GREEN CARD (Immigrant) – February 2026 Visa Bulletin

U.S. Department of State released the Visa Bulletin for February 2026, which governs priority date movement for family-based and employment-based categories (country-wise cutoffs).

Australia - Immigration, Student & Work Updates

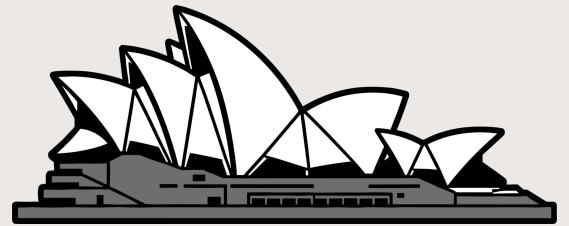
STUDENT VISA (Subclass 500)

Evidence Level change (BIG news for South Asia)

- From 8 Jan 2026, Australia updated SSVF Evidence Levels for several South Asian countries (including India) – meaning higher documentation scrutiny for financials, academics, and genuine intent.
- Practical impact (for applicants):
- More detailed funds trail & source-of-funds proofs
- More focus on academic progression + “why this course/why this provider/why Australia”
- Higher refusal risk for weak profiles or “course mismatch”

Genuine Student (GS) requirement remains the core assessment

- Home Affairs continues to assess Student visa Applications under Genuine Student (GS) (replacing older GTE for lodgements after 23 March 2024).
- GS focus areas (what officers test):
- Studying is the primary reason for travel
- Course relevance to past education/work
- Genuine career outcomes (not random course shopping)



PROCESSING & PRIORITY – Why some files move faster than others

- Student visa processing times are published by Home Affairs and are indicative (not guaranteed).
- Offshore Student visa processing is now aligned to Ministerial Direction 115 (for applications lodged on/after 14 Nov 2025), which sets processing priorities.

Magazine insight: In 2026, “provider + compliance + priority settings” can influence speed so institution selection matters, not only the student profile.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

Updated show-money benchmark

- Home Affairs increased the financial capacity requirement (living costs) for the primary applicant to AUD 29,710 (and additional amounts for partner/children).

Common refusal triggers (observed):

- Unexplained large deposits
- Weak source-of-funds trail
- Funds not matching tuition + living + travel logic



WORK RIGHTS – Student & post-study direction

Temporary Graduate Visa (Subclass 485) remains key, but more structured

- Official guidance confirms Post-Higher Education Work stream remains active (work rights after study).
- StudyAustralia highlights that changes to eligible qualifications for this stream commenced from 14 Dec 2024 and applicants must align with updated eligibility.

France - Immigration, Student & Work Updates

ADMISSION + CAMPUS FRANCE PROCESS (India)

Core flow for most Indian students (Etudes en France / Campus France route):

1. Create profile + submit candidature
2. Academic interview
3. University confirmation
4. Online visa application on France-Visas + VFS appointment booking

Magazine Note: Your timeline becomes smooth when admission + Campus France interview + France-Visas file are aligned in the right order.

FRANCE STUDENT VISA (Long-stay)

Visa type & after-arrival compliance

France-Visas confirms students may receive:

- VLS-TS (long-stay visa serving as residence permit) and it must be validated within 3 months of arrival, or
- a long-stay visa where a residence permit is requested after arrival (depending on mobility duration).

Practical point: Many refusals happen due to incomplete or inconsistent file logic (course plan + funds + accommodation).

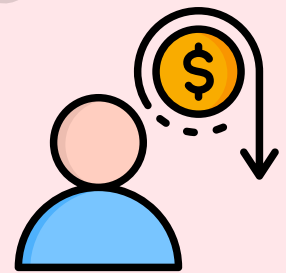
FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT (Most asked by students)

Campus France India clearly states you must show:

1 full year Tuition Fees + living cost €615/month for 1 full year

What strengthens the file (best practice):

- Clean bank trail (not last-minute funds)
- Clear source of funds (salary, business, savings, loan, sponsor)
- Tuition payment proof (if paid) + accommodation plan



WORK RIGHTS WHILE STUDYING (Important for students)

Campus France confirms foreign students can work:

Up to 964 hours/year (~60% of legal annual working time).

Magazine insight: Part-time income is helpful, but it is treated as bonus—your main funding must still be properly shown in the file.

POST-STUDY OPTION (After graduation)

Campus France explains the “job seeker / new business creator” residence permit is available to eligible graduates who studied in France on a student residence status and obtained qualifying French higher-education diplomas.

Why this matters: It gives a structured bridge for job search / career start after completing studies (subject to eligibility).

Germany - Immigration, Student & Work Updates

STUDY IN GERMANY – 2026 TREND UPDATE

Public Universities – Still Low / Zero Tuition

- Most public universities continue charging:
 - No tuition fees (only semester contribution €250–€350 approx.)
- Private universities remain higher-cost options.

Germany continues to be one of the most affordable quality education systems in Europe.

BLOCKED ACCOUNT (Financial Requirement)

For Student Visa (2026 benchmark):

- Required amount approx. €11,208 per year (standard blocked account requirement trend)
- Funds must be deposited before visa decision
- Monthly withdrawal limit applies

Common refusal reasons:

- Incorrect blocked account provider
- Incomplete APS certification (for Indian students)
- Weak academic profile

APS CERTIFICATION (Important for India)

- APS (Akademische Prüfstelle) certificate mandatory for Indian applicants
- Processing time varies depending on document verification

Without APS, visa application cannot proceed.

WORK RIGHTS WHILE STUDYING

Students in Germany can work: High-demand part-time sectors:

- 120 full days OR
- 240 half days per year
- Warehousing | Hospitality | Delivery services
- Student research assistant (HiWi jobs)

POST-STUDY WORK & JOB SEEKER PATHWAY

After graduation:

- 18-month Job Seeker Residence Permit available
- Allows full-time job search
- Once qualified job secured → Convert to:
 - EU Blue Card
 - Skilled Worker Residence Permit



EU BLUE CARD & PR PATHWAY

Germany remains one of the fastest structured PR systems in Europe.

Spain - Immigration, Student & Work Updates

STUDY IN SPAIN – 2026 TREND UPDATE

Growing Popularity for English-Taught Programs

- Spain continues expanding English-taught Bachelor’s & Master’s programs
 - High demand areas: Business & International Management, Tourism & Hospitality, Data & Technology, Sports Management

Spain becoming a strong alternative to high-cost destinations like UK & USA.

Tuition Fees (General Trend)

- Public Universities: Approx. €1,000 – €4,000 per year
- Private Universities: €6,000 – €20,000+ per year

Spain remains comparatively affordable within Western Europe.



STUDENT VISA – KEY REQUIREMENTS (2026)

Financial Requirement

Students generally required to show proof of funds based on Spain’s IPREM index (monthly living benchmark).

Approximate requirement trend:

- Around 100% of IPREM per month
- Roughly €7,000 – €8,000+ per year

WORK RIGHTS WHILE STUDYING

Spain allows international students:

- Up to 30 hours per week (if authorized)
- Work must not interfere with studies

Common part-time sectors: Hospitality, Tourism, Retail, Language assistance



DIGITAL NOMAD & ENTREPRENEUR ROUTES

Spain remains active with:

- Digital Nomad Visa (for remote workers earning from outside Spain)
- Entrepreneur Visa pathways

Growing interest among young professionals.



Malaysia - Immigration, Student & Work Updates

STUDY IN MALAYSIA – 2026 POSITIONING

Malaysia continues to position itself as:

- Affordable Asian education hub
- English-medium degree destination
- Pathway / transfer route to UK & Australia

Malaysia remains a cost-effective alternative for students with moderate budgets.



Popular programs:

- Business & Management
- Hospitality & Tourism
- IT & Computer Science
- Engineering
- Medical & Health Sciences

STUDENT VISA PROCESS – EMGS SYSTEM

Malaysia student visa Applications are processed through: EMGS (Education Malaysia Global Services)

Standard Process:

1. Offer Letter from institution
2. EMGS online Application
3. VAL (Visa Approval Letter) issuance
4. Travel to Malaysia
5. Post-arrival medical + student pass endorsement

Important 2026 trend:

- Universities now strictly verifying academic documents
- Passport validity must meet minimum requirements
- Medical screening compliance mandatory

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS (General Trend)

Malaysia requires proof of sufficient funds to cover:

- Tuition Fees
- Living expenses
- Accommodation

Malaysia attractive for budget-conscious families.

Living cost benchmark generally lower compared to: UK, Australia, Canada

WORK RIGHTS WHILE STUDYING

International students may work:

- Up to 20 hours per week
- During semester breaks or approved periods
- Limited sectors such as:
 - Retail | Hospitality | Petrol stations | Mini markets

Work is supplementary – not primary funding source.



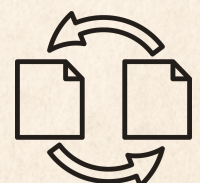
TRANSFER PROGRAM ADVANTAGE (Key Selling Point)

Malaysia widely known for: 2+1 or 1+2 Degree Transfer Programs

Students can:

- Start degree in Malaysia
 - Transfer to: UK | Australia | Ireland

Reduces total tuition cost compared to studying full duration abroad.



Japan - Immigration, Student & Work Updates

STUDY IN JAPAN – 2026 TREND UPDATE

Japan continues strengthening its position as:

- Affordable Asian study destination
- High-tech & innovation hub
- Strong employment-oriented education system

Popular Study Routes:

- Japanese Language Schools
- Vocational Colleges (Senmon Gakko)
- Bachelor's & Master's Programs
- Engineering & Technology Programs



Increasing interest from Indian & South Asian students due to cost-effectiveness and work exposure.

STUDENT VISA PROCESS – KEY STRUCTURE

Japan student visa process generally involves:

1. Admission confirmation
2. COE (Certificate of Eligibility) issuance by Japanese Immigration
3. Visa Application at Japanese Embassy/Consulate
4. Arrival & Residence Card issuance

Important:

- COE approval is the most critical
- Financial documents and sponsor credibility carefully reviewed
- Academic consistency checked

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS (General Benchmark)

Students must show sufficient funds to cover:

- Tuition Fees
- Living expenses
- Accommodation

Estimated living cost range:

- ¥800,000 – ¥1,200,000 per year (approximate benchmark depending on city)
- Tokyo & major cities higher than smaller regions.



WORK RIGHTS DURING STUDY

International students in Japan can work:

- Up to 28 hours per week
- Up to 40 hours per week during long vacations

Common part-time sectors:

Convenience stores | Restaurants | Warehousing | Factory work

Basic Japanese language skills significantly improve job opportunities.

SKILLED WORK & SPECIFIED SKILLED WORKER (SSW)

Japan continues expanding:

Specified Skilled Worker (SSW) Program

High-demand sectors:

Nursing Care, Construction, Agriculture, Food Service, Manufacturing

Japan facing labour shortages due to aging population.

Dubai - Immigration, Student & Work Updates

STUDY IN DUBAI – 2026 POSITION

Dubai continues to grow as:

- Regional education hub
- Branch-campus destination (UK, Australia, Europe universities)
- Short-duration, career-oriented study option

Advantage: International degree without traveling to Europe/UK.

Popular Study Fields:

- Business & Management
- Aviation & Logistics
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Artificial Intelligence & IT
- Media & Communication

STUDENT VISA – STRUCTURE

Student visa in Dubai is usually:

- Sponsored by university
- Valid for 1 year (renewable)

Tuition payment confirmation required before visa issuance.

Basic requirements:

- Admission confirmation
- Passport validity
- Medical test after arrival
- Emirates ID registration

WORK MARKET UPDATE – 2026 TREND

Dubai remains strong in:

- Real Estate
- Hospitality
- Sales & Marketing
- Logistics & Supply Chain
- Retail & E-commerce

High demand for:

- Sales Executives
- Real Estate Consultants
- Hotel & Tourism Staff
- Skilled technicians

UAE job market is dynamic but competitive.

WORK VISA SYSTEM

Employment visa requires:

- Employer sponsorship
- Medical fitness
- Emirates ID
- Labour contract

Dubai does not offer automatic PR residence linked to employment or investment.

GOLDEN VISA – 2026 HIGHLIGHT

UAE Golden Visa (Long-term residence 5 or 10 years)

Eligibility categories include:

Investors | Entrepreneurs | Skilled professionals | Outstanding students | Property investors

Attractive for high-income professionals & business owners.

INVESTMENT & BUSINESS SETUP

Dubai remains global hotspot for:

- Free zone company formation
- Low-tax environment
- Investor residency routes
- Startup-friendly regulations



Italy – Immigration, Student & Work Updates

STUDY IN ITALY – 2026 POSITION

Italy remains one of Europe’s most attractive destinations for:

- Affordable public university education
- Scholarship opportunities (DSU / regional grants)
- English-taught Master’s programs
- Strong design, architecture & engineering reputation

Italy combines low tuition + scholarship potential.

Popular Programs:

- Fashion & Design
- Architecture
- Mechanical & Automotive Engineering
- Business & Economics
- Food Technology

Italy combines low tuition + scholarship potential.

Public Universities

- Tuition typically ranges between €900 – €4,000 per year (income-based calculation in many cases).

DSU / Regional Scholarships (Major Attraction)

- Tuition fee waiver
- Free or subsidised accommodation
- Meal allowance
- Annual financial grant



Scholarship eligibility depends on income documents & proper translation/legalisation.

STUDENT VISA PROCESS – 2026 UPDATE

Standard Steps:

- Admission / Pre-enrolment via Universitaly Portal
- Financial document preparation
- Visa appointment (VFS / Embassy)
- Arrival in Italy
- Apply for Permesso di Soggiorno (Residence Permit)



FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

Students must show proof of:

- Tuition Fees | Accommodation | Living expenses (based on Italian benchmark)

General living cost benchmark: Approx. €6,000 – €8,000 per year



WORK RIGHTS WHILE STUDYING

International students in Italy can work:

- Up to 20 hours per week | Maximum 1,040 hours per year
- Common sectors:** Restaurants, Cafés, Warehousing, Retail

DECRETO FLUSSI WORK PERMIT PROGRAM

Italy annually opens Decreto Flussi quota system for foreign workers.

POST-STUDY & WORK PATHWAY

After graduation:

- Students may convert residence permit to Work Permit (if job secured)
- Italy offers structured work conversion routes
- EU Blue Card possible for high-skilled employment

Long-Term Pathway:

Study

→ Work Permit

→ Long-Term EU Residence (after 5 years legal stay)

Italy provides PR-style long-term residence after continuous legal stay.



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