

New Zealand Student Visa Checklist

University Acceptance Letter

Unconditional offer from NZQA-approved provider; first-year fees paid/proof.

Valid Passport

Valid for study duration + 3 months; include prior passports.

Proof of Funds

NZD 20,000/year living costs via bank statements/loans (9 months min).

English Proficiency

IELTS 5.5+ (no band <5.0), TOEFL 46+, PTE 58+, or exemption.

Health Checks

Medical exam + chest X-ray (>6 months stay); health insurance.

Character Certificate

Police clearance if requested (>24 months stay/convictions).

Accommodation Evidence

Not mandatory; provider hostel letter recommended.

Genuine Intent Statement

Explain study plans, home ties, return intentions.

Under-18 Docs (if applicable)

Parental consent, guardian, pastoral care confirmation.

Photos & Forms

2 passport photos, completed forms, NZD fee receipt.