

UNIVERSITY OF OSLO

Register as a student in Norway

Pre-arrival meeting for new exchange students

Knutepunktet – International Student Reception

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Photo: Jarli&Jordan, UiO



Agenda

- Residence permit
- Police registration
- Health and travel insurance
- Norwegian ID number
- Bank account

Before arrival: Apply for residence permit

Non-EU/EEA citizens

- If studying in Norway for more than 3 months, you must have a student residence permit
 - Also applies if you have a residence permit in another Schengen-country
- Submit an online application on the [UDI web page](#)
- Follow [our guide](#) for how to apply for residence permit

Applying from abroad

- Students who need an entry visa must apply for residence permit before arrival
 - If applicable, you apply for entry visa at the same time
- Hand in all required documents to the embassy/consulate/VFS by 1 July
- See the [UDI checklist](#) for documents to be handed in

Applying for residence permit after arrival in Norway?

- Some students can travel to Norway and hand in the application for residence permit after arrival
 - Exchange students on bilateral or Erasmus+ agreement who do not need an entry visa
- Make sure you fulfill the requirements to apply from Norway
 - If you are uncertain, please contact UDI directly regarding your specific case
- Submit an online application and book an appointment with the Oslo Police Department on the [UDI web page](#)
- You can book an appointment before arrival in Norway

Pilot project with the UDI

- A small group of bilateral exchange students have been invited to participate in a pilot project with the UDI
- You will apply for residence permit upon arrival
- Separate dates with the Oslo Police Department
- The exchange students who have signed up to participate will **not** apply through the UDI web page or hand in documents
- More information and details about the pilot project will be provided by email

Documents from UiO

Documentation of admission and housing

- You will find the Admission and Study plan letter in UiOs Søknadsweb
- Will cover certain requirements from UDI regarding:
 - Admission
 - Housing

Documentation of financing

- Check your Study plan letter if there is a confirmation from UiO that you have sufficient financial means to cover your living expenses in Norway
- If **yes**, you do not need to make a transfer of funds to SiO deposit account
- If **no**, you must make a transfer of funds to the SiO deposit account in order to document financing

SiO residence permit deposit account

Transfer of funds

- Only for bilateral exchange students who need an entry visa to Norway
- [Apply for SiO's UDI Deposit Account](#)
 - Remember to write all your names
 - If possible, make the transfer i Norwegian kroner (NOK)
- Recommended deadline: 15 June
 - You will receive a confirmation letter on SiO Mypage

Access to your funds after arrival

- After arrival in Norway, you will have access to your transferred funds
- You can pay your housing rent with the funds, if living in SiO housing
- Contact SiO Accounting Office to receive reloadable debit card
- To book an appointment, send an e-mail to udideposit@sio.no

Upon arrival: Register with the police

Non-EU/EEA citizens

- You need a student residence permit to stay in Norway
- Book an appointment with the police to register your arrival
- You can book an appointment **before** arrival

EU/EEA-citizens

- You must register with the police if staying for more than 3 months
- Only need to register once
- Book an appointment with the police **after** arrival

Nordic citizens

- Do not need to register with the police

Police register for non-EU/EEA citizens

- You must meet with the police to be issued a residence permit card
- You can book an appointment before arrival on the [UDI web page](#)
 - Choose “Oslo Police District, Department of Immigration”
 - If unable to book an appointment online, please contact the police for assistance

For your appointment you must bring

- Passport/National ID card
- Your address in Norway (on a piece of paper) with the housing unit number
- Receipt from SiO residence permit deposit account (if applicable)

- Your residence permit card will be sent to your Oslo address by post

Police registration for EU/EEA citizens

- You need to register with the police within 3 months after arrival
- Book an appointment after arrival in Oslo
- Fill in the online application form on the [UDI web page](#)
 - Select «A SUA Office»
 - Choose "Oslo Politidistrikt, Servicesenteret for utenlandske arbeidstakere (SUA)"
 - Fill in ALL your names as in your passport/National ID card

Documents you must hand in to the police

- The ID-page of your passport or both sides of your National ID card
- EU Health Insurance Card or private health insurance documents (valid for the entire study period)
- Admission letter from UiO
- Declaration of funds - a personal statement that you can support yourself

- You can stay in Norway and study while waiting for the police appointment

Health insurance and travel insurance

All students should have travel insurance while studying in Norway

EU/EEA citizens

- You must have health insurance from your home country:
 - EU health insurance card or
 - Private health insurance
- Must be valid for the entire study period

Non-EU/EEA citizens

- You can become voluntary members of the National Insurance Scheme
- Must submit an application if staying 3-12 months
 - It can take months to be registered with the National Insurance Scheme
 - We recommend private health insurance while waiting to be registered

Norwegian ID number

EU/EEA citizens

- Staying for 1 semester:
 - You are not entitled to a Norwegian ID number
 - Only if you find part-time work, will you get a temporary ID number when applying for a tax card
- Staying for 2 semesters:
 - You must register with the National Registry if staying for more than 6 months
 - If you have an appointment with SUA, you will be transferred to the Tax Administration

Non-EU/EEA citizens

- You will register with the National Registry (Tax Administration) at the same time you meet with the police
- The Tax Administration will send a letter with a Norwegian identification number
 - D-number (1 semester)
 - National Identity number (2 semesters)
- The letter will be sent to the address you gave to the police
 - Important that you notify the police if you change your address

Bank account

Staying for 1 semester

- Almost impossible to open a Norwegian bank account if staying in Norway for six months or less
- We recommend that you bring with you a credit card (visa/master) that can be used in Norway/Europe during your stay in Norway

Staying for 2 semesters

- After receiving your Norwegian ID number, you can open a bank account in Norway
 - Can take some time to open a bank account
 - If applicable, apply on SiO MyPage for a refund to get your funds on SiO deposit account transferred

How to open a bank account:

- See also information from [Oslo municipality](#)

After the break



Prepare for your
arrival



Start of studies
activities



Events by
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