

Study Abroad Complete Checklist

A Step-by-Step Guide for International Students

Plan • Prepare • Apply • Fly

**For first-time
international students**

Includes:

- Country Selection Checklist
- Exams & Timeline Planner
- SOP & Documents Checklist
- University Application Steps
- Visa & Pre-Departure Checklist

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Country Selection Checklist

Choosing the right country is the foundation of your study abroad journey.

Use this checklist to make a practical, informed, and realistic decision before moving ahead.

Basic Preferences

- Preferred countries shortlisted (1–3 options only)
- English-taught programs available
- Course relevance to future career goals
- Duration of course clearly understood

Budget & Financial Planning

- Tuition fee range checked
- Cost of living estimated
- Scholarship availability researched
- Proof of funds requirement understood

Academic & Eligibility Factors

- Entry requirements reviewed
- Academic background matches course criteria
- Gap years (if any) acceptable
- Required exams identified (IELTS, TOEFL, GRE, etc.)

Work & Career Opportunities

- Part-time work rules checked
- Post-study work visa duration verified
- Job demand in chosen field researched
- Average salary expectations reviewed

Lifestyle & Environment

- Climate preference considered
- Student-friendly cities identified
- Safety and healthcare facilities checked
- Cultural adaptability considered

Long-Term Options

- PR or long-term stay pathways explored
- Immigration policies reviewed
- Country stability and future prospects assessed