

Admission Rules and Migration Process for International Students

Admission of Foreign Citizens to Higher Education Institutions in the Republic of Azerbaijan

Admission of foreign citizens to higher education institutions in the Republic of Azerbaijan is carried out through the **online platform** <https://portal.edu.az>.

Documents Required for Registration on the Portal:

- Scan copy of a **foreign passport**;
- **Medical certificate**, including confirmation that the applicant is not a carrier of **HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis B and C**;
- **Apostilled or officially legalized copy** of the previous education document (diploma and transcript);
- **Language proficiency certificate** (if available):
 - For **Bachelor's degree**: minimum **IELTS 5.0** or **TOEFL 40**;
 - For **Master's and other levels**: minimum **IELTS 5.5** or **TOEFL 50**.

Citizens of countries where **English is an official language** are exempt from the language certificate requirement.

Admission Process:

After submitting an application through the portal, the documents are reviewed by the **admission committee of the relevant university**.

An **interview** is conducted in order to assess the applicant's language proficiency for the selected program.

Documents Required After Arrival at UNEC

(To be submitted within **3 days** after arrival):

- Original **apostilled or legalized education documents and transcripts**;
- **Notarized Azerbaijani translation** of the education documents;
- Copy of the **foreign passport** (valid for at least **2 years**);
- **Medical certificate** (HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis B and C). The certificate may be issued in English or obtained from clinics in Azerbaijan;
- **Language proficiency certificate** (if available);
- **10 photographs (3x4 cm)** taken within the last 6 months;
- Copy of the **education visa**;
- Copy of the document confirming the **temporary residential address** of the student.

VISA

After receiving the **letter of admission** from the educational institution, foreign citizens may apply for **only a science or education visa** through:

- The **Embassy or Consulate of the Republic of Azerbaijan** in their country, or
- The online “**ASAN Visa**” system.

Registration at the Place of Temporary Residence in the Republic of Azerbaijan

Foreign citizens and stateless persons staying in Azerbaijan for **more than 15 days** must register at their place of residence.

Information regarding registration is provided at border checkpoints in **Azerbaijani, Russian, and English**.

For registration, the **property owner or authorized representative** must submit a copy of the foreigner’s passport (or other border-crossing document) to the relevant executive authority **within 15 days**.

Applications may be submitted **electronically, via email, or in person**.

If a foreigner changes their place of residence, they must **re-register within 5 days** at the new address. No state fee is charged.

If a foreigner temporarily resides at another address belonging to the **same property owner**, re-registration is not required.

Temporary Residence of Foreigners in the Republic of Azerbaijan

Foreign citizens and stateless persons wishing to temporarily reside in Azerbaijan must obtain a **temporary residence permit**, which is issued by the **State Migration Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan**.

Documents Required for a Temporary Residence Permit:

- Application form approved by the **Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan**;
- Copy of the passport or other border-crossing document (the validity period must exceed the expiration date of the residence permit by at least **3 months**);
- For minors under 18 without a passport: **notarized copy of the birth certificate** or an equivalent document;
- **Medical certificate** confirming absence of infectious diseases, including HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis B and C;
- **2 photographs (3.5 x 4.5 cm)**;
- Document confirming the **residential address** (property extract, residence order, lease agreement, or other legally recognized document);
- Application from the **person providing accommodation** (if the foreigner does not reside in their own property);
- Copy of the **ID card** of the accommodation provider (if the property is not owned by the foreigner);
- Receipt confirming payment of the **state fee**;
- If submitted by a representative: a document confirming the **authority or legal representation**.

Note: The state fee must be paid at the time the temporary residence permit is issued. If the fee is not paid within **30 days**, the residence permit will be **cancelled**.

Attention:

If the back side of the migration card contains the note “**education (full-time education)**”, the foreigner is **not allowed to engage in employment activities** based on that card.

Medical Centers Authorized to Issue Medical Certificates for Migration Purposes in Azerbaijan:

1. **Respublika Diaqnostika Mərkəzi (RDM)** – near 20 January metro station, Tbilisi Avenue 147
2. **Xüsusi Sağlamlıq və Müalicə Kompleksi** – Badamdar Highway 31
3. **International Medical Center 2** – Narimanov district, Ashiq Molla Juma Street 103A