

TUS International Students – Visa & Work Conditions Fact Sheet

Purpose:

This guide outlines visa-related work conditions for international (non-EEA) students studying in Ireland. It is based on current immigration rules set by Immigration Service Delivery (ISD) and the Department of Justice.

1. Working Hours During Term Time

- International students holding a Stamp 2 student permission may work up to 20 hours per week during term time.
- This applies to all forms of paid employment
- Students must not exceed this limit

2. Working Hours During Holidays

- Students may work up to 40 hours per week (full-time) during designated holiday periods only.
- Official holiday periods in Ireland:
 - 15 December – 15 January
 - 01 June – 30 September

3. Work Placements and Internships

- Students may undertake an internship/placement where this forms an integral part of an academic course. Students may work more than 20 hours per week in these internships/placements. Higher education institutions must ensure that the placements are appropriate to the nature and level of the academic programme.
- The following conditions apply:
 - Completion of the placement must count for ECTS credits and contribute to the final award
 - The placement component cannot exceed 50% of the duration of the course
 - Employment cannot be in a self-employed capacity
 - Working hours and conditions must be in accordance with law provisions, including employment rights, rates of pay or the operation of the labour market.

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