

Studying abroad is one of the proven ways to grow, enhance one's learning, and gain some wonderful real-life experiences. The United Kingdom (UK) is one of the excellent and internationally recognized destinations for international students. A large number of international students fly to the UK from their home countries at every intake in the British universities. England is not only famous for its educational institutions but also for its old heritage and tradition, environment, multicultural atmosphere, standard of living etc.



Eligibility

In the UK, your eligibility to <u>work while studying</u> depends on two restrictions which are set by the university and state-run institutions. The student must ensure that the university doesn't have any intention to pull them back from working before dealing with state officials. For example, the university might not allow you at all or partially allow you to work in spite of the government's restriction.

The international students can easily find a part time job in England, especially in a mega city like London, Manchester etc. Moreover, some universities may allow students to work inside the campus (on campus job) only. However, students must not worry because there're a lot of options available for the students. Additionally, before starting to search for jobs students should check whether they're eligible for the post or not. It all starts with their TIER 4 visa which is the official student visa in the UK. According to British law international students cannot work if they are below 16 years old.

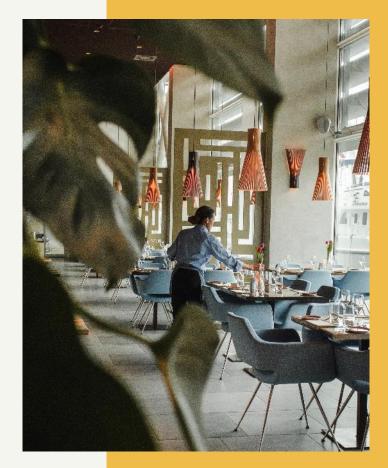
In addition, the international students can work up to 20 hours in the UK only if their colleges or universities are registered by UKVI. Furthermore, one of the ways you can check whether you're allowed to work part time or not in the UK is by analyzing your residence permit documents.



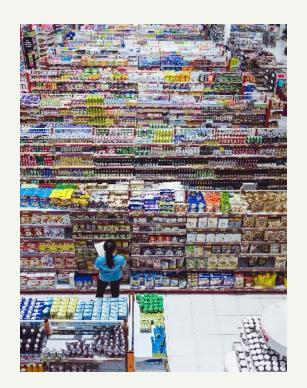
However, the rules and regulations also vary from where the international students come from or what their nationalities are. The above-mentioned rules are not applicable for the students from EU/EEA countries and Switzerland. The students from these nations do not need any prior permission to work in the UK while studying.

The foreign students can work if they have the following things mentioned in their TIER 4 visa documents. Such as,

- Work must be authorized
- Able to work as authorized by the Secretary of State
- Work as in TIER 4 rules
- Restricted as in TIER 4 rules
- Restricted work- part time during term time, full time during vacations
- Restricted work time
- Work limited to 20 hours per week at maximum during term time
- Work limited to 10 hours per week at maximum during term time



Working Hours



International students can work a maximum of 20 hours weekly if they are degree level students. However, if the students are below degree level they are allowed to work not more than 10 hours. If none of these is clearly written in your documents or if you feel trouble to understand any of the above conditions, you need to immediately contact them before deciding to get a job. Moreover, during the summer vacation, the full-time international students can work up to 40 hours per week.

Category of Work

International students are forbidden to work in some sort of field along with the number of hours they can work. They cannot be self-employed, freelance or initiate their own start up. Additionally, they cannot work full time as sports people, sports coaches or entertainers. They can't even work as medical or dental practitioners.



Documentation

It is hugely necessary to have all the appropriate documents before starting to apply for part-time jobs in England. In addition, the students must have a valid TIER 4 student visa for a full-time degree level course. The learners also need to apply for the National Insurance Number.





The Nature of Part-time jobs for the International Students

Mainly, there are two types of jobs in England for foreign students.

They are:

- 1. On Campus Job: On campus jobs are one of the best for international students as international students are new in the country. Also, these jobs don't require any transportation cost. Students can save both time and money here. Some on campus jobs are, libraries, research labs, computer labs, language labs, bookstores, gym, reception areas, cafeterias etc. However, these jobs are highly competitive and difficult to get. Students should keep an eye on their email address and university's notice board.
- **2. Off Campus Job:** Students can also join off campus jobs only if the university allows them. However, these jobs don't offer the same convenience of location. Students have a lot of options while searching for off campus jobs. Such as, service and hospitality, retail, education etc.





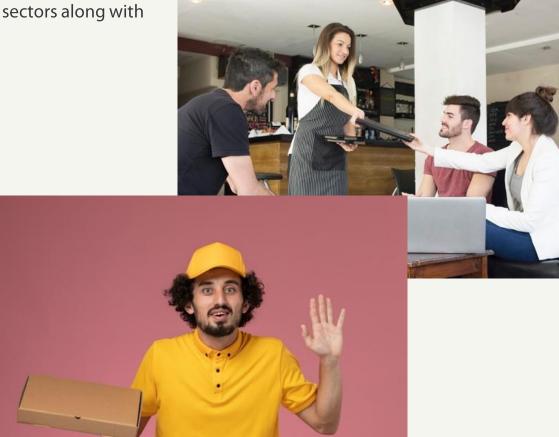
Some common part-time jobs in the United Kingdom for foreign students are given below:

- Bar Work: International students can find bar work at bars, pubs, clubs, and hotels. Students' age must be 18 for getting these jobs and they have to serve snacks, meals, drinks to patrons, take payments, and clear tables and glasses. The students who are outgoing and have good communication skills do well in these types of jobs.
- Events and Hospitality: Hospitality is another field where international students can join in England. Moreover, these provide flexible working hours and don't require prior qualification and experience. Furthermore, these jobs include tips along with salary and students can earn valuable interpersonal skills.
- Temp Work: There are multiple opportunities in temp work across many different fields. Such as, sales, admin and customer service. These roles involve greeting clients, answering the phone, selling items, and data entry.

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The students can join a lot of other sectors along with the above as part-time workers. Those jobs are:

- Student Support Officer
- Sales Assistant
- Pharmacy Delivery Driver
- Pizza Delivery Driver
- Personal Assistant
- Photographer
- Blogger and so on



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