

FAQ's

'eVisas' 'digital status'

UKVI Compliance and Immigration Team – May 2024 Information for all students who are visa holders

What is an eVisa?

It is your online immigration status.

Why do I need one?

Physical documents e.g. Biometric Residence Permits (BRP's) are being replaced with an online record of your immigration status, this is known as an eVisa or digital status.

What if my Biometric Residence Permit expires 31st December 2024?

This is not your actual visa end date.

Your visa end date should be 2 or 4 months after your course end date. The extra months at the end of your course are called 'extant leave'.

Please check your CAS for your course end date.

You also can check the email or the letter you received when your visa was granted, this information will include your actual visa end date but is not legal proof of your immigration status.

When can I open an account?

We understand that you will be emailed by the Home Office between June and August 2024.

How do I create an account?

If you have not yet been emailed about creating an account, you'll be able to create your account and access your eVisa later in 2024. [Sign up for updates](#) from the Home Office to keep up to date on when you'll be able to access your eVisa.

Do I need to update my visa details with St Mary's?

Not in the short term, we will contact you if we need any more information at a later date.

Is there a cost?

No, it will be completely free of charge to open an account and view your eVisa online.

What if my BRP expires before 31st December 2024?

Then it is very likely your course will already have ended and your BRP has the correct expiry date. If you have any questions about this please email: studentvisas@stmarys.ac.uk

Useful links

[Home Office video](#)

[UKCISA updates](#)

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