

Suggested document checklist for Tier 4 student dependants

This checklist is intended for use by Tier 4 students already studying in the UK who would like their dependant (e.g. husband/wife) to join them. Please be aware this is a suggested checklist only and is not intended to be exhaustive. Not all documents will be relevant e.g. tuberculosis test certificate only required in certain countries.

Before making a Tier 4 dependant visa application

Check -

- you are able to have dependants join you in the UK
- your intended dependant meets the requirements as to which family members can apply
- the up-to-date financial requirements

You can check all of the above on the UKCISA website - www.ukcisa.org.uk/International-Students/Immigration-Dependants/

Suggested checklist

- Application form for Tier 4 (General) Dependant Visa.
- Valid passport of the applicant.
- Tuberculosis test certificate (if applicable).
- Marriage certificate and marriage photographs.
- Proof of finance: a bank statement in your name or your dependant's name (or scholarship letter if applicable).
- A personal letter of invitation from you (the Tier 4 Student) stating that you wish your dependant to join you in the UK and stay with you for the duration of your studies. You should also state that you will be financially supporting your dependant if they will be submitting your bank statement as part of their visa application.
- A photocopy of your (the Tier 4 student) passport - main page of your passport and your Tier 4 visa (showing your leave to enter the UK), and entry stamp from immigration control when you entered the UK.
- A photocopy of your (the Tier 4 student) BRP card (visa), if you hold one.
- A student status letter from the University of Bristol – you can obtain this from your faculty office.
- A photocopy of your tenancy agreement showing suitable accommodation for you and your dependant/letter from your landlord stating that your dependant can live with you or state in your letter of invitation that you or the University Accommodation Office are seeking suitable accommodation.
- A letter to explain the relationship between you (the Tier 4 student) and your dependant, and other supporting documents, examples include:

- Photocopies of both the Tier 4 student's and the dependant's passports showing previous travel together if appropriate e.g. Schengen Visa and/or entry and exit stamps to different countries
- Flight booking details to show travel taken together
- Hotel booking details to show holidays taken together.
- Any other additional evidence of relationship before marriage – this is especially important where the Tier 4 student and their dependant have not been married for very long as it shows there has been an

existing relationship e.g. communication details - examples include phone calls, Facebook chats, email and Skype history etc.

Any other additional evidence of continuing relationship if the Tier 4 student has been in the UK without the dependant – this is important to show that the marriage is still subsisting e.g. communication details - examples include phone calls, Facebook chats, email and Skype history etc.

Photos taken together