



# Student Visa Assessment Levels



## Student Visa Assessment Levels from 1 September 2008

This information sheet contains a list of the Assessment Levels for all passports and education sectors in Australia's Student Visa program. These Assessment Levels come into effect on 1 September 2008 and affect student visa applications made on or after this date.

If you intend to apply for a Student (Temporary) (Class TU) visa, use this information sheet to identify your Assessment Level before proceeding with your student visa application.

Refer to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship website for more information about applying for a student visa.

**See:**

[www.immi.gov.au/students](http://www.immi.gov.au/students)

Form 1160i Applying for a student visa

## Using this information sheet

Your student visa application will be assessed according to your Assessment Level.

The passport you hold and the education sector of your principal course will determine the Assessment Level for your visa application.

The table on the next page lists passports in alphabetic order. To identify the Assessment Level for your visa application, match your passport type with the visa subclass for the education sector of your principal course.

**Note:** Passports not listed in the table are Assessment Level 3. If you are sponsored by the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID) or the Australian Department of Defence and are applying for a *subclass 576 – AusAID/Defence* student visa you will be subject to Assessment Level 2.

**Remember:** There are a number of different types of student visa. The following subclasses are based on the education sector of your principal course. A principal course will generally be the course with the highest qualification which is undertaken after any pre-requisite or enabling courses:

- 570 – Independent ELICOS
- 571 – Schools
- 572 – Vocational Education and Training
- 573 – Higher Education
- 574 – Postgraduate Research
- 575 – Non-Award
- 576 – AusAID or Defence

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NOTE: All passports not listed in the table below are Assessment Level 3 (except in subclass 576).

Passport held	570 ELICOS	571 Schools	572 VET	573 Higher Education	574 Postgraduate Research	575 Non Award	576 AusAID/ Defence
Andorra	1	1	1	1	1	1	<b>all 576 travel documents are Assessment Level 2</b>
Argentina	2	1	2	2	1	1	
Austria	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Bahamas	2	2	2	1	1	2	
Bahrain	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Bangladesh	4	4	4	4	3	3	
Barbados	2	2	2	1	1	2	
Belgium	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Bhutan	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Botswana	2	2	2	1	1	2	
Brazil	2	1	2	1	1	1	
Brunei	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Bulgaria	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Burma (Myanmar)	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Cambodia	4	4	4	4	3	4	
Canada	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Chile	1	1	1	1	1	1	
China (excl. SARs and Taiwan)	3	4	4	4	3	3	
Colombia	2	2	3	2	2	2	
Costa Rica	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Cuba	2	3	3	3	3	3	
Cyprus	1	2	1	1	1	1	
Czech Republic	1	1	2	1	1	1	
Denmark	1	1	1	1	1	1	
East Timor	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Ecuador	3	3	3	2	3	3	
Egypt	3	3	3	3	2	3	
Estonia	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Fiji	3	3	4	3	2	3	
Finland	1	1	1	1	1	1	
France	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Germany	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Ghana	3	3	4	4	3	3	
Greece	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Grenada	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Guam	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Hong Kong SAR	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Hungary	2	1	2	1	1	1	
Iceland	1	1	1	1	1	1	
India	4	2	4	4	4	3	
Indonesia	2	2	2	2	2	2	

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Iran	3	3	3	3	3	3	all 576 travel documents are Assessment Level 2
Ireland	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Israel	2	3	2	2	2	2	
Italy	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Japan	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Jordan	4	3	3	3	2	3	
Kenya	3	2	3	3	2	3	
Kiribati	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Korea, Republic of	2	1	2	1	1	1	
Kuwait	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Laos	2	2	2	2	2	3	
Latvia	1	1	2	1	1	1	
Lebanon	4	3	4	3	3	4	
Lichtenstein	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Lithuania	1	1	1	2	1	1	
Luxembourg	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Macau SAR	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Malawi	3	3	3	3	2	3	
Malaysia	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Maldives	3	2	2	2	2	3	
Malta	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mauritius	1	2	2	1	1	2	
Mexico	1	1	2	1	1	1	
Monaco	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mongolia	3	3	3	3	2	3	
Mozambique	3	3	3	2	2	3	
Nauru	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Nepal	3	2	4	3	2	3	
Netherlands	1	1	1	1	1	1	
New Zealand	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Nigeria	3	3	3	3	4	3	
Northern Mariana Islands	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Norway	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Oman	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Pakistan	4	3	4	4	2	4	
Papua New Guinea	2	2	2	2	1	2	
Paraguay	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Peru	2	1	2	1	1	1	
Philippines	3	2	3	2	1	2	
Poland	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Portugal	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Puerto Rico	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Qatar	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Romania	3	2	3	2	1	2	

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Russian Federation	3	2	3	3	1	3	all 576 travel documents are Assessment Level 2
Samoa, Western	3	3	3	3	3	3	
San Marino	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Saudi Arabia	1	1	2	1	1	1	
Seychelles	2	2	2	1	1	2	
Singapore	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Slovak Republic	2	1	2	1	1	1	
Slovenia	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Solomon Islands	2	2	2	2	2	2	
South Africa	2	1	2	1	1	1	
Spain	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Sri Lanka	4	3	4	4	3	3	
St Kitts-Nevis	2	2	2	2	2	2	
St Lucia	2	2	2	2	2	2	
St Vincent & Grenadines	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Sweden	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Switzerland	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Taiwan	1	1	2	1	1	1	
Tanzania	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Thailand	2	1	2	1	1	2	
Tonga	3	3	3	3	2	3	
Trinidad and Tobago	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Turkey	3	3	3	2	2	2	
Tuvalu	3	3	3	3	3	3	
United Arab Emirates	1	1	1	1	1	1	
United Kingdom							
- British Citizen	1	1	1	1	1	1	
- British National Overseas	2	2	1	1	1	2	
United States of America	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Uruguay	2	3	2	2	2	3	
Vanuatu	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Vatican City State	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Venezuela	2	1	2	2	1	2	
Vietnam	3	2	3	2	1	3	
Zambia	3	2	3	2	2	3	
Zimbabwe	3	2	3	4	2	3	