Student arrivals top tips

Coming to the UK to study this year? Here are Border Force’s top tips to make sure you have everything you need for a smooth arrival.

1. Keep all important documents in your hand luggage

Be ready to show your passport, information about your course and recent bank statements to border staff.

2. Check what you can and can’t bring with you

Do not bring in any meat or dairy products from outside the EU.

Do not exceed your duty-free allowance for tobacco, alcohol and gifts.

You must declare cash of €10,000 or more.

3. Studying for up to 6 months?

If you are from Australia, Canada, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, South Korea or the USA and your course is for less than 6 months, please see a Border Force officer at passport control to get a short-term student stamp in your passport.
Keep your proof of travel

Make sure you keep a paper or digital copy of your flight information or boarding pass as you may need to show this to your course provider or landlord after you have arrived in the UK.
Keep African swine fever out of the UK

Don’t bring pork and pork meat products into the UK

This deadly pig disease could devastate the UK industry

Preserved meats
Fresh cuts
Hams and bacon
Pork sandwiches and salads
Pet treats

#AfricanSwineFever