

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

New regulations for international students:

As of the 31st of March 2009, the UK Government have brought in new immigration rules and this will affect any international student applying for a Student Visa.

It is very important that all international applicants read about the visa process in detail on the UK Border Agency website, (www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/studyingintheuk/) in order to know the requirements of applying to study in the UK. Please make yourself aware of these requirements **before** applying to attend Carmel Bible College.

A few of the new requirements:

All applicants must apply to a college registered with the UK Government. Carmel Bible College is currently on the 'Tier 4 Register of Sponsors' which means that we have been given a licence by the UK Government to accept international students .

An important part of the new regulations is that any prospective student's visa application must provide evidence that all the funds required to study and live in the UK for the duration of the course are in the applicant's bank account (please see UKBA website for details on amount of funds expected). Without these funds the UK Border Agency will not grant you with a student visa.

Also, from March 2010 the UK Border Agency require all prospective students to be English Language tested, and part of Carmel Bible College's requirements for applications are that you provide a copy of an IELTS certificate with a score of at least 5 or more. IELTS is an International English Language Testing System with centres all over the world. More details can be found on their website, www.ielts.org.

Keep up-to-date:

As the immigration rules are new, they are constantly being revised and new regulations are being brought in , so it is very important for all prospective students to keep up to date with any changes that may affect their visa applications by regularly checking the UK Border Agency website.

If you do plan to apply for Carmel Bible College and your application is accepted, please give yourself ample time to prepare and apply for your visa to ensure that you arrive in time for registration day in September.