





Student Visa Working Restrictions

Student visas contain restrictions on the duration and the types of work that can be completed. Normally they restrict University students to work no more than 20 hours per week during term time but, depending on the level of the course of study and the sponsoring institution, this could be 10 hours per week or may not allow work at all in some cases. It is important to check your visa to establish what restrictions are in place. This limit includes hours worked across any Unitemps assignments you hold and roles you are working in for other companies.

Out of term time full-time employment is permitted. However, it is important to be aware that the term dates for your course may not match the standard term dates for your institution of study. Please refer to the sections below for further guidance.

Before you begin an assignment, in addition to your proof of eligibility to work, you must bring a student status letter and evidence to show your course term dates to the Unitemps office (for Canterbury students, student status letters are available from "The Registry").

Canterbury Undergraduates

As a Canterbury undergraduate with a Student visa, you are restricted to working no more than 20 hours per week during the University term dates and are permitted to work full-time during vacations.

Canterbury Postgraduate Masters Students

As a Canterbury postgraduate Masters student with a Student visa, the University vacation dates do not apply to you. Thus you are restricted to working a maximum of 20 hours per week for the entire duration of your course.

On completion of your course you are permitted to work full-time. Please note that your course will only be determined to have ended when you have received a letter from the University confirming that you have passed and that your degree has been conferred. You must provide a copy of this letter to Unitemps before you can work more than 20 hours per week.

Canterbury PhD Students

PhD students need to agree their holiday periods with their supervisor and have written confirmation of this. These holiday periods can be a maximum of six weeks per year during which there is no restriction on hours worked.

On completion of your course you are permitted to work full time. Your course is determined to have ended when you have received a letter from the University confirming your degree has been conferred. Please note that your degree will only be conferred after your viva and after any corrections have been submitted and deemed to have passed.

Other types of courses

If you believe that the course you are studying is different to those listed above, then please ask your Unitemps recruitment consultant to confirm which restrictions apply to you.

Courses at other UK institutions

If you study at another institution under a Student visa, we require a letter confirming your placement on the course and proof of the term dates that apply to you.

Student Declaration

Name:	Student Number:
Institution:	Course:
Canterbury students	Non-Canterbury students
Undergraduate	☐ Undergraduate
☐ Taught Postgraduate (Master's)	☐ Taught Postgraduate (Masters)
☐ Research Postgraduate (PhD)	☐ Research Postgraduate (PhD)
☐ Other	☐ Other
Terms dates	
Term start date:	End Date:
Declaration	
I have read and understood the information in this document detailing my visa restrictions. I will work in accordance with the Home Office restrictions that apply to my Student visa. I will immediately inform Unitemps if my student status changes or if I start working in a second role outside of Unitemps.	
Signed:	Date:
Print Name:	



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