



# UK Global Talent Visa

Science and Humanities

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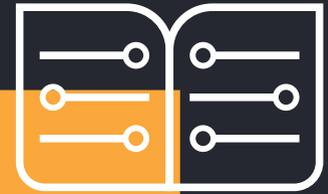
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# Global Talent UK Visa

This visa route is designed to attract the best talent from around the world. It was rolled out to allow talented scientists and researchers to work and live in the UK while developing their research endeavours.



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## Eligibility

### Who are eligible to apply for a Global Talent visa?

The new Global Talent visa category is open for talented and promising individuals working in the fields of science, humanities, digital technology, arts and culture wishing to work in the UK.

It should be noted from the start that the Global Talent Scheme is divided into two categories:

**A**

**Exceptional Talent:**  
geared towards established leaders in the field.

**In the fields of science and humanities, Applicants should:**

**Hold a PhD;**

**Be an active researcher in the field;**

**Hold prestigious prizes or awards, research grants, patents or fellowships.**

**B**

**Exceptional Promise:**  
geared towards promising leaders in the field.

### Our job is to assist you!

GOOD ADVICE UK provides specialist legal immigration advice and services on all UK immigration matters and applications including leave to enter, leave to remain, residence permits, transfer of conditions, work permits, investment, nationality & citizenship, EEA free movement, and appeals.



## Our Expert Support

### How we can help with your application?

Drafting the contents of each supporting letter to ensure they meet the requirements.

Advising you on compiling the best evidence to rely on.

Choosing the best referees to rely on.

Comprehensive legal representation on your behalf.



# Application Process

To qualify for this route, applicants must meet two stages:

- 1: Endorsement letter**

Obtain a formal Endorsement Letter from a designated Competent body for your field of expertise such as:

  - The British Academy
  - The Royal Academy of Engineering
  - The Royal Society

- 2: Entry clearance**

Once Endorsement has been issued, then an application is made to the Home Office to obtain Entry Clearance and Leave to Remain in the UK.

- 1: There are two ways to obtain an Endorsement letter.**



## Full Peer Review

### Mandatory Requirements:

- Have a PhD or equivalent research experience.
- Be an active researcher in your field, typically within a university, research institute or within industry.
- Provide a letter of personal recommendation from an eminent person resident in the UK.

### One of Qualifying Criteria:

- Be awarded a prestigious internationally recognised prize.
- Be a member of your national academy or a foreign member of academies of other countries (in particular any of the UK national academies).
- Provide a letter of recommendation from a reputable UK organisation concerned with research in your field. The letter must be written by an authorised senior member of the organisation, such as a Chief Executive, Vice-Chancellor or similar.



## Fast Track Review

The Fast-Track only applies to the following 3 scenarios.

### A Senior Appointment

This route applies if you have accepted a job offer as a Professor, Associate Professor, Reader, or equivalent at an approved UK Higher Education Institution or research institution.

You must provide a statement of guarantee from the Director of Human Resources that confirms that you accepted a job, describing the position and department, and also confirming that:

1

One senior external expert in a relevant field was consulted during recruitment.

2

The job was advertised and an open competition was held for the position.

3

3 references were received.

4

4 senior academic representatives were present at the interview panel.

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## Individual Fellowship

You must show that you currently hold, or have held in the last 12 months, a specific peer-reviewed research fellowship or award named on the list published by The British Academy, The Royal Academy of Engineering, or The Royal Society.

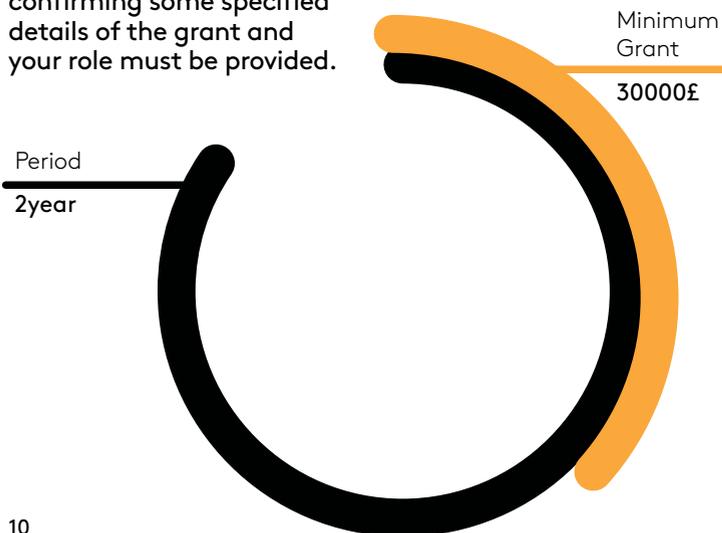
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## Endorsed Funding

This applies if you are a researcher or specialist whose name or job title is specified in a successful grant application from an **endorsed funder** approved by UK Research and Innovation.

The grant must be worth a minimum of **£30,000** and cover a minimum period of **2 years**. A declaration from the Director of Human Resources of the employing or host organisation confirming some specified details of the grant and your role must be provided.

To be eligible, you must be hosted or employed by an eligible institution which is named by the Immigration Rules. These include all UK Higher education institutions and some other research organisations.



# 2

Entry Clearance.  
Settlement



## Visa Application

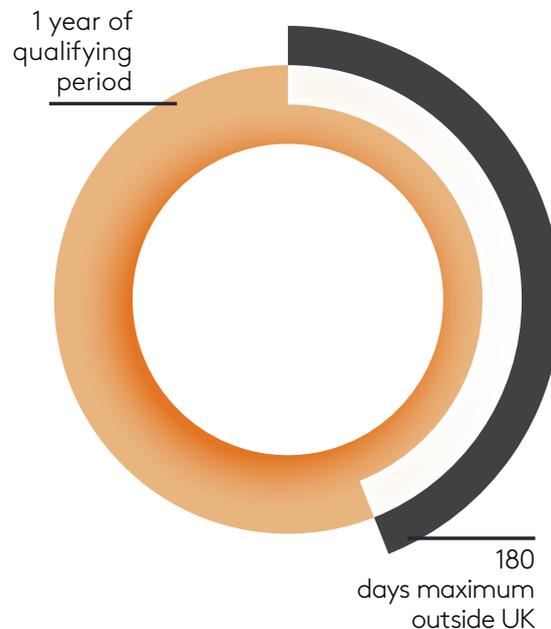
Upon successfully obtaining an Endorsement, you must submit an application for Entry Clearance to the UK under the Global Talent category

The Home Office should be satisfied of the credibility of your evidence, work, educational, and immigration history. While making the visa application you have the option to request the length of Leave to Remain in the UK that you wish to be granted, which could be up to a period of 5 years at a time.



## Settlement

Applicants who were endorsed in the field of Engineering, Science, Medicine or Humanities, would be eligible to apply for Indefinite Leave to Remain in the UK (Settlement) after only 3 years on either - the Exceptional Talent or the Exceptional Promise routes.



To qualify for Indefinite Leave to Remain, you must show that your absences from the UK did not exceed 180 days in any consecutive 12-month period during your whole qualifying period of 3 years.

You must show that you have earned money in the UK during your grant of leave which is directly linked to the expert field of your endorsement. Your Endorsing Body must also continue their endorsement for you.

You also need to complete the Life in the UK Test and show knowledge of English.



## Legal Fees

**1:**

### Initial fee

Preparatory work including onboarding, obtain personal information, immigration history, peruse academic work, refine CV, assess the strength of referees, initial advice, addressing preliminary issues, requesting full list of required documents, checking all requirements and drafting supporting letters...etc.

**2:**

### Endorsement Application fee

A second stage fee is payable on the submission of the application to the **Endorsing Body** for assessment.

**3:**

### Final/ Home office fees.

Finally, a last fee is payable upon successfully obtaining the Endorsement, in order to process the Entry Clearance visa application to the Home Office.

## Government Fees

**£456**

Endorsement Application

**£152**

Home Office Visa Application

**£608**

Additional fee per each dependant

**£400**

Immigration Health Surcharge per applicant per year

Expected to rise in October 2020 to

**£624**



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**Our Experience:**

If you genuinely believe that you would be able to meet the above requirements, you are welcome to contact us to discuss your individual and own particular circumstances in greater detail and we will see how we can assist further. GOOD ADVICE UK is a regulated law firm based in London specialising only in immigration law with an experienced team of immigration lawyers and advisers. The firm has an recent solid proven experience exceeding 10 recent years.

