

Visa Checklist

For official up to date information, please go to: <https://www.migration.gov.rw/index.php?id=13>.
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Students who are staying for less than 30 days:

1. Decide if you want to, or need to, apply in advance. The website says:
 - a. Nationals of Australia, Germany, Israel, New Zealand, Republic of South Africa, Sweden, United Kingdom, and **United States of America** will be issued with entry visa valid for a period up to 30 days and pay for a visa (\$30) upon arrival without prior application.
 - b. The following Countries may visit Rwanda without a visa for a period up to 90 days: Hong Kong, Philippines, Mauritius, Singapore and the Democratic Republic of Congo.
2. In order to successfully obtain your visa at the airport in Kigali you will need to bring:
 - a. Your passport
 - i. Must have at least 6 months of validity
 - ii. At least one blank page for the visa itself.
 - b. \$30 USD cash
 - c. The invitation letter from Never Again Rwanda
 - d. Your yellow fever vaccination card.

These visas are single-entry, 30 day visa.

Students who are staying between 30 and 90 days:

1. Please follow the steps above for an entry visa. Within the first few weeks, you should apply for an extension to your visa. You will need to bring the following items with you to Rwanda to apply. It can be near impossible to request some of these from Rwanda, so DO NOT forget to bring these items!
2. This is most likely the application form you will need to fill out; however, sometimes you will be referred to a different form. <https://www.migration.gov.rw/index.php?id=180>

Before you leave:

- Obtain one colored passport size photo with white background recently taken without glasses, caps and scarf. (The photo should be attached to the application form by use of glue stick. Stapling and clipping the photo to the application form is not advisable).
- A completed application form (may need to reprint in Kigali different form is needed.)
See <https://www.migration.gov.rw/index.php?id=180>
- Curriculum Vitae

- Original Police Clearance from the country you have lived in for the last 6 months
- Official Transcript from your university. Unofficial transcripts will NOT be accepted!
- A letter of recommendation from your professor at Weber State or other institution.

To Obtain in Kigali:

These are items that it will be easier to obtain while in Rwanda:

- 50,000 RWF (i.e. \$65 USD). This is separate then the \$30 USD for 30 days you will purchase at the border.
- A recommendation letter addressed to the Director General of Immigration and Emigration by a recognized institution in Rwanda.
- A copy of agreement with the respective organization

Important to Note:

The typically visa is a single-entry, Rwandan visa. However, the visa for trainee's (i.e. internships) is a multiple-entry visa. However, if you plan to leave Rwanda you will need to confirm your visa says multiple-entries and obtain either an EAC visa (East African Community Visa) or a visa for the country you wish to go to.