



International Student Services

Health Insurance - Short Courses

If your course is for less than six months, you should take out medical insurance from a reputable company before leaving your country. Although health emergencies will be dealt with, no other treatment is available to you, unless you have insurance or can pay for the treatment yourself, which can be expensive.

Exception: Students from the EU/EEA or countries with a bilateral healthcare agreement with the UK are entitled to free National Health Service (NHS) treatment. (The British Embassy or High Commission can tell you if your country has a reciprocal health agreement, so please check!).

EEA Nationals should apply for an EHIC card before leaving home (a European Health Insurance Card), if you have travelled without one please speak to the International Student Services team in the student centre who will be able to help.

Non EEA Nationals should make sure that their medical insurance covers all the following:

- Emergency medical and other expenses
- Personal accident
- Baggage
- Personal money, passport and documents
- Personal liability
- Missed departure
- Cancellation or curtailment charges
- Overseas legal expenses and assistance
- Course fees

Please note that, because you are coming to the UK to study and not just as a tourist, standard travel insurance is not acceptable!