



StudentExpress

On 1 April the UK Border Agency in Brazil will launch the **StudentExpress** accredited agents scheme in Brazil. The scheme is being launched as a 6-month pilot, after which we will refine and expand the scheme. The pilot scheme is based on successful schemes already run elsewhere in the world by the UK Border Agency.

StudentExpress will streamline the UK visa application process and ensure Brazilian students using it are able to:

- access student travel agents officially accredited via the **StudentExpress** scheme to the UK Border Agency in Brazil.
- receive high quality information from accredited agents, all of whom have received training from the UK Border Agency on the **StudentExpress** scheme and on the new UK student visa rules under Tier 4 of the Points Based System.
- get priority processing. The UK Border Agency will attempt to process all applications submitted via **StudentExpress** within 48 hours of receipt.
- be notified by their **StudentExpress** agent when their visa application takes longer than 5 working days to be processed by the UK Border Agency.

The UK Border Agency has accredited the agencies listed below in the **StudentExpress** pilot scheme until 30 September 2009.

Please note that they are not listed in order of preference and that they can provide you with customer service in many Brazilian states:

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- **Artha Cursos no Exterior:** www.grupoartha.com
Tel: (31) 3284-9818
- **BOS - Best Overseas Studies:** www.bos.tur.br
Tel: (11) 3032 2420
- **ICEC Educational Consultancy:** www.iceconline.com
Tel: (11) 3624 8024
- **IE Intercambio no Exterior:** www.ieintercambio.com.br
Tel: (27) 3038 3922
- **Just Intercambios:** www.justintercambios.com.br
Tel: (15) 3234 3400
- **Language Partners:** www.languagepartners.com.br
Tel: (11) 5083 4653
- **London Connexion:** www.londonconnexion.com.br
Tel: (11) 4587 3712
- **Mundial Intercambio:** www.mundialintercambio.com.br
Tel: (11) 5095 3030
- **STB - Student Travel Bureau:** www.stb.com.br
Tel: (11) 3038 1555
- **Viajantes:** www.viajantesgoias.com.br
Tel: (62) 3093 7002
- **World Study:** www.worldstudy.com.br
Tel: 0800 970 9292

Only those agents who appear above have been officially credited to the scheme and this list will be published and maintained on the website of our official commercial partner, WorldBridge (www.visainfoservices.com).

Please note that **StudentExpress** is a preferred application scheme. It does not imply or guarantee in anyway that those applicants applying via the scheme will be successful in their application. All visa applicants

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must continue to qualify against the requirements of the UK immigration rules to be issued their visas. The UK Border Agency maintains the right to refuse entry clearance to any applicant who does not qualify under the UK immigration rules, regardless of their application route.

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