

# CONSULATE GENERAL OF PORTUGAL

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## DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO APPLY FOR A STUDENT VISA IN PORTUGAL

*Note: Applications must be submitted by late September!*

- 1) Application form (request from the Portuguese Consulate in Newark)
- 2) One passport photo (clear image with white background)
- 3) Passport (must be valid for at least 6 months)
- 4) For US citizens: an FBI criminal history summary, to be obtained less than three months prior to submission of the visa application (takes approximately 22 calendar days) consult the following FBI website for details:  
<http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/criminal-history-summary-checks>

For non-US citizens (residing at less than one year in the USA): a criminal record from the last country of residence

- 5) Valid US visa, or Resident Alien Card (if not a US citizen)
- 6) Proof of registration or a letter of acceptance from the University of Madeira, along with a letter from the university that describes the duration of the course, the nature of the study program, and related details

*Note: Students will receive this documentation during orientation week in August.*

- 7) Proof of scholarship (if applicable)
- 8) Proof of means of support (if no scholarship has been awarded)
- 9) Address in Portugal where the applicant will reside
- 10) Medical and travel insurance that covers the applicant overseas, or a declaration that such coverage will be obtained within 90 days of entering Portugal

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

1. Applicants must be submitted in person. (Applications may be received by mail only in exceptional circumstances. Inquire in advance by telephone.)
2. When all the documents are in your possession, please call this office for an appointment.

*Note: The student visa is valid for 120 days, allowing the visa holder two entries into Portugal. Once in Portugal, the student must apply for a residence card at the Portuguese Immigration and Borders Service (SEF) as soon as possible. The Madeira Interactive Technologies Institute will offer assistance with this.*