

## Important Visa Requirements For Non E.U Applicants



**If you are a non European Union Citizen, please read these important requirements set out by the UK Borders Agency before completing the application form.**

The UK Borders Agency are proposing slight changes to the regulations regarding immigration into the UK in 2011, affecting non E.U overseas applicants to Moorlands. Below you will find a brief outline of what you will need to do in order to obtain your visa for studying at Moorlands. **Remember, each case is individual and will be different, therefore it is important that you take responsibility for making your own enquiries to the relevant agencies, regarding your own situation. Visit the UK Borders Agency website for more details:**

<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/studyingintheuk/adult-students/>

### **Which Visa?**

In order to study at Moorlands you will need to apply for a **Tier 4** General / Adult Visa. Tier 4 Student Visas are awarded by using a points-based system. 40 points must be earned in total.

**30 points are available through Sponsorship:** Having a confirmation of acceptance for studies (CAS) from a licensed sponsor containing an unconditional offer of a place on a course of study at an acceptable level, provides this. Moorlands can only issue a CAS, once the applicant has been accepted, and then registered on a course.

**10 points are available by showing evidence of having enough money** to cover the course fees (see fees sheet on Moorlands website: <http://www.moorlands.ac.uk/home/fees.php> ) and monthly living costs for up to one year. Currently outside London, the proposed student will need £7,200 per year in living costs. See UK Borders website for more details:<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/studyingintheuk/adult-students/evidence/money/>

**It is vital that you can prove you are able to meet these financial requirements, or your visa will be refused.**

## **Educational Requirements**

**Education Level:** The course you are applying for must be Honours Degree level or above. (National Qualification Framework – level 6 +, with a licensed organisation. Moorlands is a licensed organisation).

**English Language Requirement:** You will need to have successfully completed a **Secure English Language Test (SELT)**, at level B2 CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference). Please click on the link to download pdf of approved English Tests:

<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/newsarticles/2010/275292/46-english-test-partners>.

If you use the IELTS, (International English Language Testing System), you will need to achieve Band 6.0 overall, with at least Band 5.5 for each of Reading, Listening and Speaking. Moorlands require at least 6.0 in the writing module. These tests are organised by the British Council in your home country (please note: you should take the academic training modules not the general training modules). Band 7.0 overall is required for Postgraduate studies. Visit their website for more details:

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/learning-ielts-in-your-country.htm>

**It is important for you to determine whether it will be possible for you to meet all the requirements before sending in your application form. If you cannot give evidence of your academic, English language and financial ability, unfortunately we cannot proceed with the application process.**