

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Post Study Prospects in Malta

According to the High Commission of India in Malta the Post Study prospects in Malta are as follows:

Prospects of extension of visas for interns/job seekers:

For interns, the typical visa is the Short-Stay Visa (Schengen Visa), which allows for stays up to 90 days. However, students must keep in mind that Short-Stay visas cannot be extended or converted to a Maltese residence permit. For course longer then 90 days D Visa should be applied for.

For job seekers, Malta offers several visa options:

Single Permit: This combines a residence permit and a work permit, allowing non-EU nationals to live and work in Malta. It requires a job offer from a Maltese employer and takes about 2-3 months to process. It can be extended if job contract is valid.

Key Employee Initiative (KEI): Designed for highly skilled workers, this permit has a fast processing time. Eligibility criteria include relevant skills and work experience. It can also be extended.

Work related opportunities for students completing their graduation:

Prospects of the post-study work visas in Malta are limited, with strong competition among applicants. Malta's economy is practically driven by financial services, tourism, real estate and gaming. So after graduation students will have work related opportunities in these sectors. In health sector, there are a large number of Indian nurses working in Malta. A post-study work visa allows international students to stay in the country after completing their studies for a specified period, usually between six months to two years.

Eligibility for a Malta study and work visa:

- Students must have completed their studies within the last year before applying for the visa.
- Students must have a clean criminal record.
- Students must have evidence of being employed or self-employed in Malta during the validity of the visa.
- Students must have a minimum monthly salary/income of €1,200.