

Young Professionals/Jeunes Professionnels Visa:

If you are non-EU and want to work in Switzerland after finishing your degree at the Graduate Institute - Switzerland has an agreement with 14 countries to enable young professionals to get a residence and work permit for up to 18 months through a simplified process. This (Permit L) visa is valid for the duration of your work contract (up to 18 months) and has the potential to be extended if your contract is extended or you change jobs before your visa expires.

14 Countries: Argentina, Australia, Canada, Chile, Indonesia, Japan, Monaco, New Zealand, Philippines, Russia, South Africa, Tunisia, Ukraine, USA

How to Apply:

1. Once you have an employment contract, email young.professionals@sem.admin.ch with a copy of your:
 - [Application](#) for a temporary stay for young professionals permit
 - Employment contract
 - Graduate Institute diploma (or transcript showing you've completed your credits, if you haven't yet received your diploma)
 - CV/Resume
 - Work certificate (if relevant)
 - Passport
2. Once you (and/or your employer) receive a letter confirming your visa, email OCPM (ocpm@etat.ge.ch) with your:
 - [Form K](#)
 - Letter confirming your young professionals visa
3. Your new residence permit (Permit L) will arrive by mail.

Note: If you are already in Switzerland on a student residence permit, you can remain in Switzerland while your application is being processed (as long as your permit is still valid).

Additional Resources:

- For more information on the visa: [click here](#)
- For more information on visa prerequisites, extensions, etc: [click here](#)
- For case-specific questions: email young.professionals@sem.admin.ch