

Applying for Your Student Visa: Morocco

What is a visa?

A visa is official authorization allowing you to enter a country and travel, work, live, or study there for a specific period of time. Generally, a visa is an elaborate stamp that is sealed onto one of the pages of your passport. Visas are issued to American citizens by a foreign country's Embassy or Consulate located in the United States. Every country has its own regulations governing the issuance of visas.

Do I need a visa to go to the Morocco?

United States citizens do not require visas to enter Morocco as a tourist for up to 90 days. Students going to Al Akhawayn should enter Morocco as a tourist and the University will then help you to get a student visa.

Do I need anything else?

You don't need a visa, but you will need:

- **A valid passport;** It is recommended that you carry a copy of your US passport with you at all times while in Morocco.
 - ◆ Please see page 1 in the Study Abroad Handbook for information on how to apply for a passport.
 - ◆ Apply early for your passport! It may take 6-8 weeks to process your application.
- For more information on traveling, studying, and working in Morocco, see <http://www.moroccanconsulate.com/> or <http://dcusa.themoroccanembassy.com/>.

Who Can I Contact?

For any further questions that you might have, feel free to place a call with the embassy or consulate-general.

Embassy of The Kingdom of Morocco: Washington, D.C.

Address: 1601 21st Street, NW, Washington D.C. 20009

Phone: (202) 462-7979 **Fax:** (202) 265-0161

Website: <http://dcusa.themoroccanembassy.com/>

Consulate-General of The Kingdom of Morocco: New York

(Handles visa inquiries and applications)

Address: 10 East 40th Street, New York, NY 10016

Phone: (212) 758-2625 **Fax:** (212) 779-7441

Website: <http://www.moroccanconsulate.com/>

Email: consumanewyo@prodigy.net