



# STUDENT STATUS - who is a STUDENT?

**STUDENT (pupil, apprentice, learner) - a person (of any age) who is attending school, educates himself at a secondary, vocational college or higher education institution (university).**

**STUDENT STATUS - this is not an official term. It is used to refer to people who have certain advantages as a result of their studies.**

**STUDENT BENEFITS - you get them when you study full-time!**

- **State-funded health insurance up to age 26** (up to age 28 for PhD students).
- **Tax benefits** - income tax allowance up to age 26, doctoral students up to age 28, child tax allowance up to age 26.
- **Social benefits** - up to 26 years.
- **Discount on fares (up to 26 years), culture, etc.**
  - o **ISIC card** - student ID card (with photo), at some schools also used as a card to enter e.g. study rooms, libraries. Outside the school premises, this card can be used to gain benefits for example on entrance to museums, galleries and monuments. An overview of the benefits can be found on the website [www.isic.cz](http://www.isic.cz).

**When does student status start?** By proper enrolment/re-enrolment in full-time studies.

**When does student status cease (from the school's perspective)?**

- The day of successful completion of the final exam (graduation exam/final part of the state final exam).
- Termination of studies due to failure to meet the conditions for continuing studies (e.g. insufficient number of credits at the university) / written notification of withdrawal from studies / expulsion from studies.
- Interruption of studies (you lose your student status but have the right to re-enrol).

**The time between primary school and secondary school** - you are a student even during the summer holidays. However, if you do not enter secondary school, you are no longer a student after the summer holidays.

**The time between secondary school and university** - you are a student continuously during the summer holidays if you start university after the summer holidays (enrol for studies).

**Post-secondary language studies** - you are a student if you are a full-time student for the entire school year, the school is accredited by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports and you start your studies till the end of the calendar year after you pass your first final examination.

**Studies abroad** - it depends on the type of trip:

- For stays where you remain a student at a Czech-accredited university, you do not lose your status.
- For stays where you interrupt your studies in the Czech Republic and continue your studies abroad:
  - The Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports recognizes the school as equivalent to studying at a university in the Czech Republic - you do not lose your status,
  - The Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports does not recognise the school - you lose your student status.



[Will my student status remain after graduation?](#)



[Until when am I a student after university/vocational college?](#)



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