

### **Visa Webinar for Employers**



# I need global talent for my business?.... What if I want to hire an international graduate in the UK?

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When hiring international talent, there are three options :

- 1. NO action from employer
- 2. ACTION from employer
- 3. LIMITED action from employer

**Top tips** to avoid problems along the way.....!







### 1. No action from Employer

Hiring a graduating student with Tier 4 leave

- Undergraduates can work 20 hrs p/w term time, f/t in holidays, f/t or p/t for 4 months between course ending and visa expiring
- Postgraduates can work 20 hrs p/w term time, f/t Easter/Xmas but NOT summer, f/t time after submitted dissertation
- PhD students can arrange up to 8 weeks leave per year





#### **Top Tips!**

- Students need their results in writing and sponsorship to apply for Tier 2
- BUT can start work while waiting for a decision from the Home Office
- WATCH OUT for minimum salaries

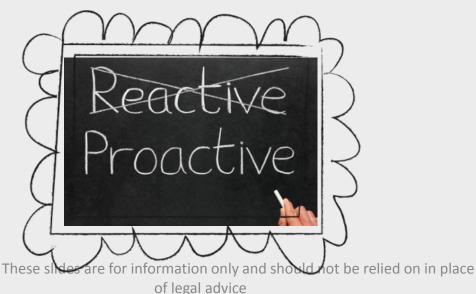
### 2. Action from Employer

Sponsor a graduating international student under Tier 2

OR

Hire a Tier 4 student with leave under the Doctoral Extension Scheme (DES) with 1 year leave to remain

You can sponsor a PhD student at any time during their Tier 4 leave under Tier 2







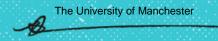
# Top tip! Apply for licence before student visa expires



# 2. Action from Employer – continued

#### Apply for Tier 2 licence – 2 easy steps

- 1. Gather together supporting documents, eg employers liability insurance certificate, corporate bank statements, registration with HMRC for PAYE and NI, evidence of lease
- 2. Pay fee for application, £536 for SME, £1476 for large employer for online application.
- Cost of Certificate of Sponsorship £199
- Typical processing time 2-4 weeks



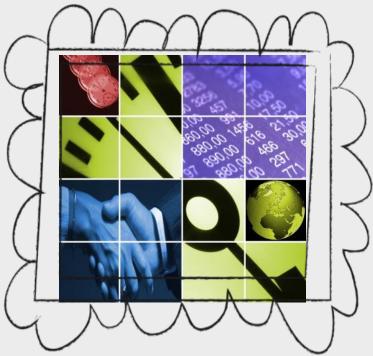


#### Top tips!

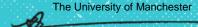
- When issuing a
   Certificate be mindful
   of which Code you
   use from the Codes of
   Practice and that the
   job is NQF level 6
- Employer can tick box for maintenance for student
- Consider advantages of using an external rep, most employers prefer to do this

## 2. Action from Employer - continued

It can take 2-4 weeks for licence to be granted, but Certificate of Sponsorship can be issued by employer in as little as **20 minutes** (on a good day !)



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# 3. Limited Action from Employer

- Hiring an international student as an Intern,
   on a limited basis for 12 months maximum
- •Join a Tier 5 sponsorship scheme, check the Tier 5 sponsor register <a href="http://bit.ly/1HP51U5">http://bit.ly/1HP51U5</a>
- •Great for employers not on Tier 2 sponsor register, or simply needing international talent on a short term basis



#### Top tip!

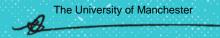
Work must be
DIRECTLY related to
degree or skills gained
on degree



## 3. Limited Action from Employer - continued

### **Advantages of Tier 5**

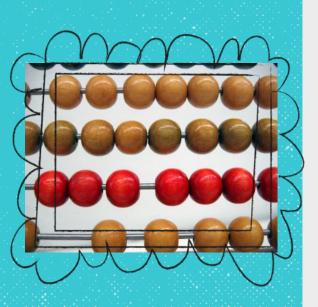
- No minimum salary
- National Minimum Wage
- No Sponsor licence requirement
- Quick application process to join Tier 5 scheme
- Tier 5 scheme is the sponsor, not you





#### Top tip!

Tier 5 schemes are happy to advise students, help with visa applications and liaise with employers



## 3. Limited Action from Employer - continued

Employer confirms to Tier 5 scheme the role and the salary

- Fee is payable, in some cases either by student or employer
- Typical cost to join Tier 5 scheme, approx £600 - £1,000 depending on provider

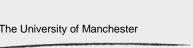


### Where can I go from here?



- If you want more information about Tier 2 or Tier 5
   http://bit.ly/1HP51U5
- UKCISA website for plain English regarding working after studies <a href="http://bit.ly/1LMiDh1">http://bit.ly/1LMiDh1</a>
- Home Office Guidance regarding documents for employers to keep

http://bit.ly/1d1uwUB





### Where can I find talent?

10,000 international students at The University of Manchester from over 140 countries

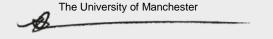


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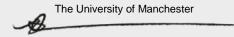


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