

# N.U.in Greece Visa Guide 2026

## American College of Thessaloniki

*This visa guide was developed in collaboration with the American College of Thessaloniki and Northeastern University.*

### All Students (except EU/EEA citizens)

All students participating in the N.U.in Greece Program at ACT, with the exception of EU/EEA citizens, are required to obtain a national visa (D-type) from their local Greek Consulate before arriving in Greece. The visa process can be lengthy, and **students are encouraged to start the process right away.**

The information below relates to the Greek visa application process in the US. If you are located outside of the US, please contact us for further assistance on how to proceed. Your application process may differ from what is described below.

### Steps for Obtaining a Greek National Visa

1. Locate the [Greek Consulate](#) for your region and read the online steps for obtaining a National Visa.
  - Please note that each consular authority has its own procedure for scheduling appointments. Some utilize online booking platforms; others communicate with applicants via email or phone.
  - When communicating with a Greek consulate by email or phone, please be prepared to share the following information so they are able to address your question promptly:
    - Your name
    - Where you live so they are aware you live in their jurisdiction
    - Your citizenship status and if you are not a US citizen, what status you hold in the US

- Your planned arrival date in Greece/departure date from the US
    - N.U.in Greece arrival date is **September 12, 2026** with departure from the US on **September 11, 2026**.
  - That you are a Northeastern University student enrolling for the Fall 2026 semester at the American College of Thessaloniki
  - A phone number that they can call to schedule your appointment—some consulates only contact applicants by phone
  - If you have any summer travel or other plans that could impact your ability to attend an appointment at the date/time they assign
  - Except when explicitly permitted by the consulate, an in-person appointment at the Greek Consulate’s office will be required in order to submit your application.
- 2. Download and complete the [Greek National Visa Application Form](#) from the Greek Consulate website.**
- Visa applications can be filled out electronically or handwritten in capital letters.
    - You can reference the sample form available [here](#).
  - You will need to attach one passport photograph to the National Visa Application Form. The passport photo will need to be attached according to the guidance from your Greek consular authority.
    - **Photo specifications:** Color, printed on matte/glossy paper, taken within the last 6 months to reflect your current appearance, in front of a white/off white background, without dark or reflective glasses, and clearly showing the full oval of the face
    - We recommend having a passport photo taken at CVS, Walgreens, Staples, UPS Store. etc. so that your photo meets the requirements.
- 3. Gather all supporting documentation and materials. You must bring *hard copies* of all requested documents to your visa submission appointment.**
- Passport Photograph**
- Attached to the National Visa Application form as outlined in Step 2

❑ **Passport or Travel Document**

- Original (your actual physical passport)
- Your passport must be issued in the last 10 years and valid for at least six months beyond the end of the N.U.in Greece Program (July 1, 2027)
- Your passport must have at least 2 empty pages

❑ **Letter of Acceptance in Greek**

- You must complete the form in your Required Enrollment Checklist titled “ACT Acceptance Letter Form”. Please complete this form in its entirety, and double-check the information collected to ensure it is correct.
- This document can take up to **two weeks** to process. The documents will be sent to your Northeastern email account.

❑ **Program Letter of Enrollment**

- Issued by Northeastern
- Titled “Program Enrollment Letter”
- Available through your Application Status Check page

❑ **Proof of emergency/urgent insurance coverage**

- Issued by Northeastern
- Titled “Foreign Travel Letter”
- Available through your Application Status Check page

❑ **Proof of Financial Means**

- You must demonstrate that you or your financial sponsor has at least 650EUR for each month you will be in Greece, totaling approximately **\$3,000 USD**.
- There are two options for you to demonstrate this:
  - a. A parent or legal guardian can demonstrate full financial responsibility for the duration of your stay in Greece. If a parent/legal guardian is supporting you, must submit ALL of the following:**

- Notarized letter in which a parent, legal guardian, relative or third party assumes full financial responsibility equal to at least the minimum monthly amount required per month of stay.
  - Suggested wording: “I hereby certify that I, [full name of parent, legal guardian, relative or third party assuming full financial responsibility], assume full financial responsibility for [full name of applicant]’s enrollment at the American College of Thessaloniki as part of the N.U.in Greece program, and any additional expenses, emergency or otherwise, that may arise during their stay.”
  - This letter **must** be **signed by the parent/guardian** and **notarized**.
- Copies of your parent, legal guardian, relative, or third party’s W2 forms for the past two years (2025 and 2024 filings).
- Parent, legal guardian, relative or third party’s three most recent monthly bank statements, which must include full name of party assuming financial responsibility and a final balance that shows at least **\$3,000 USD**.
- b. A student can demonstrate full financial responsibility for themselves. The following documents are required:**
  - Three most recent monthly bank statements, which must include the applicant’s full name and a final balance that shows at least **\$3,000 USD**.
  - If the bank account is held jointly with a parent, please include a copy of the notarized letter of support found in the previous section.
  - Copies of your W2 forms for the past two years (2025 and 2024 filings) if you have them.
- Applicants may also need **three months of credit card statements**. This requirement is dependent on consulate location.

#### ❑ Medical Certificate

- Students need to submit a medical certificate issued by a doctor showing that the student does not suffer from a disease which may constitute a risk to public health, according to the WHO and the EU. [A blank copy of this form is available here.](#)
- You can have this form completed/signed by your primary care provider.

#### ❑ FBI Background Check

- Print your results or provide your hard copy results from the FBI Background Check.
- You can access the application portal at [Identity History Summary Check.](#)
- We recommend that you go through the online process as it is generally quicker.

#### ❑ Proof of Residence in the Consular jurisdiction where you will be submitting your application.

- This is generally your driver's license/state ID. If you do not have either of these, please confirm with the Consulate what documentation they will accept.
- The ID scan must be in color and **cannot show any other object** in the scan. This includes your fingers or a background that is not from the scanner.
- The ID must be lying flat during the scan.
- You generally do not need to submit a copy of the back of your ID.

#### ❑ Round-Trip Flight Itinerary

- Some consular authorities also require documentation on your flights arriving to and departing from Greece. Please reference the guidance provided to you by the consulate you will submit your application to in order to determine if you will be required to submit this document.
- If you plan to travel on a Group Flight from the US coordinated by the N.U.in team, please contact N.U.in for details on how to acquire your flight details ahead of your visa appointment.

□ **Visa Fee**

- Please confirm with the consulate what the current fee and accepted payment methods are.

□ **Return pre-paid, self-addressed envelope**

- The consulate may permit you to submit a pre-paid trackable envelope from their preferred shipping service so that you do not have to return to the consulate in person to collect your passport/visa.

**Additional ACT documents** such as the Operations License, the Validation Agreement, and ACT Government Gazette will automatically be forwarded to the consulates by the ACT Admissions Office. If you have any questions about the documents please contact [admissions@act.edu](mailto:admissions@act.edu).

## Important Notes

- Some consular authorities may be challenging to get in touch with. We advise reaching out to them regularly via phone/email with the information included in Step 1. It is not unusual to have your email/phone call returned one week or longer after your outreach date.
- Greek visa appointments are assigned by many consulates based on departure date, with sooner departure dates prioritized over later departures. The consulates assign appointment dates so that the applicant will have their passport/visa returned by their planned departure date.
- It is not unusual for students to be assigned appointments in mid to late August and for students to have their visas issued with plenty of time to spare ahead of their departure. Unless you have a compelling reason to reschedule your appointment, mid-to-late August appointments do not generally present a concern.

## Important Reminders

Northeastern University and ACT have no influence on the outcome of immigration applications, including the decisions and policies of Greek Consular Authorities and the Greek Foreign Ministry, no ability to inquire about an individual immigration application, or to expedite the process for an individual student. In addition, N.U.in employees are unable to provide legal advice to students or families concerning country-specific immigration requirements and/or application processes. Students are responsible for completing all required applications for immigration permissions or registrations correctly and in a timely manner, and for obtaining any required permissions prior to the program start date. If the student cannot obtain valid permission in time for the program start date, please refer to the N.U.in Withdrawal Policy and contact the N.U.in office to discuss the next steps.