



GATEWAY
EDUCATION

**HOST FAMILY
ENQUIRY**



GATEWAY EDUCATION- AN OVERVIEW

For nearly 15 years, Gateway Education has opened up the UK for students from around the world. Through our supportive programme, students live and study abroad and have the opportunity to gain the highest academic achievements, with the best possible outcomes, including many offers from top universities across the UK.

Students don't just grow academically but, through the protection and guidance of our host families, they immerse themselves in British culture and experience. Our friendly and secure families ensure a student's safety and welfare is top priority by offering hands-on, logistical support for the duration of their time in the UK.



At Gateway Education, our mission is to empower **GLOBALLY MOBILE STUDENTS** to achieve **EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION MILESTONES** by providing **HIGH-QUALITY, FLEXIBLE LEARNING EXPERIENCES** that instill **CONNECTEDNESS**, individual **RESPONSIBILITY** and a desire for **HIGH ACHIEVEMENT**.

Students enjoy an engaging experience by having their own room, place to study and a chance to be part of the host family.



HOST FAMILIES

MAKING A HOUSE A HOME

Our host families offer a nurturing and supportive home environment for international students. They understand that moving to a new country with a different language, a vastly different culture, as well as starting a new school will be an unsettling and potentially difficult time for students.

They are trained and supported by Gateway Education to understand young people's needs and are able to support the students to settle into their new home quickly and successfully.



BENEFITS OF HOSTING

- ✓ Learning a new culture and language
- ✓ Attractive monthly stipend
- ✓ Life-long friendships
- ✓ Help young people achieve their dreams



LONG-TERM VS SHORT-TERM

LONG-TERM: Students will stay for the duration of the academic year (September - July). Each student must be provided with their own bedroom.

SHORT-TERM: Placements during half-term holidays when boarding schools close (1-3 weeks). It is acceptable for short-term students to share bedrooms providing there are suitable household provisions.

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“I became a host to provide young people with an opportunity to experience the British way of life and culture and to gain insight into the way of life in other cultures. The students have so much to offer and it is such a pleasure to have them around to learn about their country.”

—Aileen, Host



WHAT OUR HOSTS NEED TO PROVIDE

APPLICANTS

- ✓ Must be aged 25+
- ✓ Be suitable to work with children, i.e. not disqualified from working with children
- ✓ Be willing for Gateway Education to complete assessment visits
- ✓ Take part in online Safeguarding training as a minimum

ACCOMMODATION

Your accommodation must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Good decorative order
- ✓ Adequate heating and ventilation
- ✓ Working smoke alarms throughout
- ✓ A Gas Safety Certificate for each appliance (updated annually)

The room you provide for students must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Good decorative order
- ✓ Adequate heating, natural lighting and ventilation
- ✓ A single or double bed
- ✓ Good quality duvet and pillows
- ✓ Wardrobe
- ✓ Rubbish Bin
- ✓ Desk
- ✓ Chair
- ✓ Desk Lamp

SERVICES

- ✓ Meals – 2 or 3 meals per day depending on placement type
- ✓ Laundry – at least once per week
- ✓ Adequate towels and bed linen of a good standard must be provided
- ✓ Internet access



APPLICATION PROCESS

STEP 1

APPLY Complete application form and send back to Gateway Education - accommodation@gateway-education.com

STEP 2

VISIT Our Accommodation Officers will contact you to arrange an assessment visit. They will need to see all areas of the household and meet with all household members. Guidance will be given about hosting international students and what is expected. Visit procedure will be sent prior to appointment.

STEP 3

DOCUMENTATION & CHECKS References for the primary carers of the household will be requested. An enhanced Disclosure and Barring check will be completed for each member of the household over 16 years of age. (Gateway Education will cover the cost of the DBS checks).

STEP 4

TRAINING Primary carer of the household will be required to complete an online Introductory Safeguarding Course.

STEP 5

START HOSTING Gateway Education will confirm once you have been approved to host.



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Title (Applicant 1)	Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>
Surname	
Forename(s)	
Current Address	
Post Code	
How long have you lived at this address?	
If less than 5 years, please supply full address history for the last 5 years (please continue on a separate sheet if needed)	
Nationality	
Date of Birth	
Home Telephone	
Work Telephone	
Mobile Telephone	
Email address	
Occupation	
Do you have a valid UK Driving Licence?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Religion	
Do you smoke?	
If yes, please indicate if you smoke inside your home	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Title (Applicant 2)	Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>
Surname	
Forename(s)	
Current Address	
Post Code	
How long have you lived at this address?	
If less than 5 years, please supply full address history for the last 5 years (please continue on a separate sheet if needed)	
Nationality	
Date of Birth	
Home Telephone	
Work Telephone	
Mobile Telephone	
Email address	
Occupation	
Do you have a valid UK Driving Licence?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Religion	
Do you smoke?	
If yes, please indicate if you smoke inside your home	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Children/Dependents (living at your home address)		
Name	Gender	Date of Birth
Other household members (i.e. lodger, friend or relative)		
Regular visitors to your home, i.e. a cleaner, relatives		
Name	Relationship	Gender
Date of Birth	Frequency of visits	Do they stay with you overnight?
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General Information		
Available bedrooms?	Do you have internet?	Are parental controls set up on your internet?
One <input type="checkbox"/> Two <input type="checkbox"/> Three <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, is it unlimited? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have previous experience of hosting international students? Please state nationalities	Are you interested in long term and/or short term hosting?	Where did you hear about Gateway Education?
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Long Term <input type="checkbox"/> Short Term <input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you have valid training for the following?		
First aid	Safeguarding (please list all training you have received i.e. level one, DSL, prevent etc)	
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

EMPLOYMENT DETAILS

Please provide details of your current employer, if you are not currently employed please provide details of your last employer

Applicant 1	
Company Name	
Address	
Post Code	
Telephone	
Job Title	
Email :	

Applicant 2	
Company Name	
Address	
Post Code	
Telephone	
Job Title	
Email :	

Please give the name and contact details of two suitable referees for each household member over the age of 18. One should be your current employer, if this is not possible i.e. you are self-employed, please supply details of a contact that knows you in a professional capacity. The second should be in a personal context. Family members are not acceptable (Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Reference: Applicant 1	
Name of professional reference (i.e. manager/work colleague/teacher)	
Address	
Post Code	
Telephone	
Relationship	
Email :	

Reference: Applicant 2	
Name of professional reference (i.e. manager/work colleague/teacher)	
Address	
Post Code	
Telephone	
Relationship	
Email :	

Reference: Applicant 1	
Name of personal reference (not family member or relative)	
Address	
Post Code	
Telephone	
Relationship	
Email :	

Reference: Applicant 2	
Name of personal reference (not family member or relative)	
Address	
Post Code	
Telephone	
Relationship	
Email :	

HOST FAMILY PROFILE

The next section is for you to write a "family profile" that we can send to your student(s) to describe your household. i.e. names/age etc. of family members, your personalities, occupation, interests, family activities, description of location/accommodation, pets, please give details of a typical week for your household.

Here is an Example:

We are an active family with a 15 year old son Alex, and a 7 year old daughter Emma. I am a teacher and my husband is an engineer. As a family we enjoy taking part in activities, Alex loves to play football and joins training sessions every Wednesday evening and Sunday afternoon, Emma loves to do ballet and attends classes on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. When we have the time, we enjoy camping, walking our dog Bob and going to the cinema. I enjoy cooking and like to try new foods. We are looking forward to welcoming a student into our home and having the opportunity to learn about each others culture.

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HOST FAMILY DECLARATION

Have you or any member of your family had a child removed from their care and been placed in the care of the local authority?	Have you or any member of your family been barred from working with children?	Do you or any member of your family have a conviction? If yes, please give details
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Enhanced Criminal Record disclosure checks from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) will be required for successful applicants. This cost will be covered by Gateway.

Please sign below to confirm that the information given in this form is accurate and truthful and that you understand and agree to a Disclosure check on all household members aged 16 and over, should your application be successful.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for completing this application form. Please return it to:

Host Family Team
emmaf@gateway-education.com

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