Student Visa Requirements

**Application Form:**
This form will be sent to you in the Welcome Package from the New Jersey Office. Please do not make a copy of this form. Complete the original form in ink and submit in pre-addressed envelope to the New Jersey Office of Admissions.

**Passport:**
No photo copy of passport is required.
Valid passport from student’s home country. Submit passport to the Housing Office in St. Kitts during orientation week.

N.B. Be sure that your passport will not expire within the next six months.

➢ If passport is from countries other than US, Canada, or Great Britain, please contact Adele Straun at astraun@rossvet.edu.kn.

**Photo:**
One (1) passport-size photograph (dimensions - 2”x 2”), printed on photo sheet. Student’s shoulders must be covered, white background, no sleeveless shirts or low-cut blouses should be worn. Submit in pre-addressed envelope to the New Jersey Office of Admissions.

**Proof of funding if by personal/private or financial aid arrangements:**
1. **IF by personal arrangements:** If you or someone else (i.e. parents) will be personally/privately supporting your studies and living expenses during your time on the island, on official letterhead kindly request from the bank a letter certifying the financial ability to cover all of your living expenses in addition to having at least US$10,000.00 or more on the account. The letter must be addressed to the Minister of Homeland Security and Justice. IF the bank account is not in the student’s name, a supporting letter from the person whose name is on the account should be included. Please refer to the letter below. Trust funds, property tax statements and IRS statements do not qualify. Submit in pre-addressed envelope to the New Jersey Office of Admissions.
Minister of Homeland Security and Justice  
Port Zante, Basseterre  
St. Kitts

To The Minister

I, XXXX (holder of the account for which the bank has written the letter), undertake full responsibility for the funding of XXXX (name of Ross University student) during the time he/she will be studying at the University in St. Kitts. This includes the cost of living and a plane ticket off the island.

Sincerely,
HOLDER of bank account signature, name, relationship to RUSVM student and contact information.

2. **IF by Financial Aid, private loans (i.e. Sallie Mae) or federal/government loans:**
   Please wait until you are on St. Kitts for further instructions. No supporting documents must be submitted at this time.

**Fee:**
Visa application fee ($150) will be billed to your student account. **No action needed at this time.**

**Travel:**
A round-trip airline ticket (paper or e-tickets are acceptable) must be purchased.
**Please print a copy of your entire travel itinerary (must show your name on it) and submit in pre-addressed envelope to the New Jersey Office of Admissions.**

**Police Report / Background Check:**
An original police report/background check (photo copy not accepted). Submit only the original police report or background check to the New Jersey Office of Admissions.

- Obtained from the country where applicant lived for the last six months.

**Birth Certificate:**
Original birth certificate or original notarized birth certificate only. Submit only the original or the original notarized certificate in pre-addressed envelope to the New Jersey Office of Admissions.

- All birth certificates must be translated into English (if applicable).

**Marriage Certificate or Divorce Decree:**
Original or notarized marriage certificate or divorce decree (if applicable). Submit either original or original notarized marriage certificate or divorce decree in pre-addressed envelope to the New Jersey Office of Admissions.

**Health Certificate Form Sent in Welcome Package**

Only the following records and test results are required.

2 MMR vaccines – if no childhood Mumps, Measles or Rubella childhood immunization records – a booster can be taken of all three. **Doctor must record dates on Health Certificate provided in the welcome package. Please do not send individual records of vaccine.**

Hepatitis B immunization records - 3 doses over a 6 month period. **Doctor must record dates on Health Certificate provided in the welcome package. Please do not send individual records of vaccine.**

- If the student has never had the Hep B vaccine, a Hep B booster can be obtained.
  - A Twinrix vaccine will be accepted.

Polio vaccine – both the injectable and the oral. If a student has never had the vaccine before, a Polio booster can be obtained. **Doctor must record dates on Health Certificate provided in the welcome package. Please do not send individual records of vaccine.**

VDRL/RPR test – the test result must not be older than 6 months. **Doctor must record dates on Health Certificate provided in the welcome package. Please do not send individual records of test.**

TB test – the test result must not be older than 6 months. Obtain a chest x-ray reading only if Mantoux or PPD test is positive. **Doctor must record dates on Health Certificate provided in the welcome package. Please do not send individual records of test.**

- Completed Health Certificate document - be sure this is completed in its entirety: signed and stamped by your health care provider and submit in pre-addressed envelope to the New Jersey Office of Admissions.

**All student visa documents must be translated into English.**