

18+ Student Oyster Card – Guide to Applying

This is a straightforward process which should take you no more than ten minutes. You will need to have a photo of yourself in jpg and a bank card to make the payment of £21.

Once you have submitted your application, you should receive the card within a few days. This will then give you savings of 30% on the underground and buses.

1. Go to the following page: <https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel/18-plus-student-oyster-photocard>
2. Scroll down and click on: Create an Oyster Photocard Account
3. Enter your date of birth, name, email and create a password, then Continue
4. Enter your address (your term time address in the UK), phone number, choose a security question and answer, then Create Account
5. You will receive an email from Transport for London. Please click the link in the email to activate your account
6. Sign in to your TfL account
7. Click 'Apply for a Card' and choose your name from the drop-down menu
8. Choose '18+ Student Oyster photocard' and click on 'Apply now'
9. In 'Education establishment' section choose 'International Foundation Group'.
10. For 'Student enrolment (ID) number', this will be your two initials plus date of birth, e.g. if your name is Boris Johnson and you were born on the 16th May 1998, you would put BJ160598
11. For the course duration, choose 'Less than one year'. Put the dates of your course, then press Next
12. Upload a photo in JPG, JPEG or PNG file, then click Next
13. Review all the information you provided and click Next
14. Read and sign TfL's terms and conditions by ticking the box at the end, then click OK to Secure Payment
15. Enter your bank card details – the address must be the address with which your bank account is registered
16. Let us know that you have registered as we need to authorise the application

16+ Oystercard

If you are 16 or 17, you should apply for a 16+ Oystercard. It is a similar process to the 18+ card, except it should be completed by the parent or guardian. 16+ oyster cards give you a 50% discount on the underground and buses

Here is a link to instructions: <https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel/16-plus-17-oyster-photocard>