



NORTHWESTERN
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IN QATAR

Student Affairs

Notice to all students entering the country for the purpose of attending NU-Q

All students entering the country for the purpose of attending NU-Q are required by law to take a medical exam, the purpose of which is to protect the health of the population and prevent the spread of infectious diseases. NU-Q will arrange for you to take the medical exam after your arrival.

The issuance of a residency permit, required by immigration laws to study and reside in Qatar, is contingent upon medical clearance on all examinations. Medical clearance is defined by negative test results for the following tests: chest x-ray tuberculosis screening, HIV antibodies, and Hepatitis B and C. If the State of Qatar's Medical Commission finds positive results on these examinations, students will be repatriated to their home country.

To avoid such an event, NU-Q strongly recommends international students relocating to Qatar to complete the following medical examinations in their home country prior to entering Qatar:

1. blood-type certificate (required for residency permit)
2. chest x-ray exam for tuberculosis
3. HIV antibodies
4. Hepatitis B
5. Hepatitis C

The blood-type certificate, item #1, should be in English and include the medical provider's signature and official stamp. Please bring this document with you when you travel to Qatar.

The medical lab reports/summaries, items #2-#5, are for your reference and DO NOT need to be submitted.

Please note that the results students independently obtain in their home country will not be used for immigration processing. The State of Qatar's Medical Commission will perform the tests again and their results will be considered as Final and Official. Please see Qatar's [Ministry of Public Health website](#) for more information.