

# Health & accident insurance *in Switzerland*

## *Who needs health & accident insurance?*

Health and accident insurance is mandatory in Switzerland, thus students are required to take the health and accident insurance provided by the school which covers them when on campus and on internship.

Alternatively, if students have private valid insurance cover equivalent to the Swiss health insurance cover scheme, they must follow the procedure outlined below to be exempted by the Swiss authorities. Information about exemption and validation of foreign insurance plans is available from Admissions. If students fail to complete this procedure before their registration on campus, they will automatically be registered with the insurance provided by the school at the most competitive rate. This may vary from one semester to another.

Students who have been granted the exemption by Swiss authorities are responsible for verifying the validity of their private health and accident insurance cover in Switzerland and on internship abroad; the school will not cover any health and accident related expenses.

## *Students from all other countries with private health & accident insurance coverage*

Students from any other country who have personal health and accident insurance plans covering them in Switzerland should send a copy of their insurance card (front and reverse side) and instruct their insurance company to sign and stamp a form called "Check form for the Equivalent of Swiss Health Insurance" (OVAM form).

The OVAM form is used for official validation and should be duly filled in and stamped by the student's insurance company and sent prior to arrival to:

**Email: [studentsinsurance@glion.edu](mailto:studentsinsurance@glion.edu)**

We grant students a 15-day grace period after their arrival to provide this document. After this deadline, they will be automatically insured through Glion for a minimum period of one semester and they will be invoiced the semester premium.

## *Students from the European Community or EFTA member states*

Only nationals (holders of a passport) of a country belonging to the European Community or EFTA who are holding the Blue Health Insurance card are eligible for the Swiss Health Insurance exemption.

Anyone who would only have EU/EFTA residence status would have to subscribe to the health insurance scheme that the school is recommending.

Students from the European Community or EFTA member states who have private health and accident insurance coverage for Switzerland must send, before arrival, a copy of the blue health insurance card with the EU logo (front and reverse side) to:

Glion Admissions, Rue de l'Ondine 20,  
1630 Bulle, Switzerland.

### **EUROPEAN COMMUNITY/EFTA MEMBER STATES INCLUDE:**

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|------------------|-----------|-----------------|------------|
| • Austria        | • Estonia | • Italy         | • Poland   |
| • Belgium        | • Finland | • Latvia        | • Portugal |
| • Bulgaria       | • France  | • Liechtenstein | • Romania  |
| • Cyprus         | • Germany | • Lithuania     | • Spain    |
| • Croatia        | • Greece  | • Luxembourg    | • Slovakia |
| • Czech Republic | • Hungary | • Malta         | • Slovenia |
| • Denmark        | • Ireland | • Netherlands   | • Sweden   |
|                  | • Iceland | • Norway        |            |

## *Students from all other countries without private health & accident insurance*

Health insurance is mandatory in Switzerland, so students will be automatically affiliated to the health insurance coverage proposed by Glion.

## *Health insurance additional information*

- Students insured through Glion's partner must keep their insurance/pharmacy benefit card with them at all times.
- Students with private insurance will need to pay their medical fees on demand, and ask for reimbursement from their insurance company.
- Students who must interrupt their studies will have their school health insurance stopped.