GUIDE FOR VISA & RESIDENCE PERMIT FOR CHINESE STUDENTS IN GREECE

STAGE 1: NATIONAL STUDENT VISA (TYPE D) – BEFORE ARRIVAL

Where it is submitted	Greek Embassy or Consulates in China
Visa Cost	Approximately €90
Processing Time	15 working days (may extend to 45–60 days)
Recommended Submission	At least 6 weeks before departure

Required Documents

1	Official acceptance letter from a certified Greek educational institution (Ministry of Education)
2	Completed and signed visa application form
3	Valid passport (6 months validity + 2 blank pages)
4	Recent passport-size photographs
5	Proof of sufficient financial means: • €4,000 per year for living expenses • Tuition fees • Bank statements (last 3 months)
6	Proof of payment of enrollment fees (if applicable)
7	Travel health insurance (minimum coverage €30,000)
8	Biometric data submission (fingerprints and photo)

STAGE 2: RESIDENCE PERMIT – AFTER ARRIVAL IN GREECE

Where it is submitted	Decentralized Administration of the region of study
Cost	€150 per year
Duration Options	• Annual Permit: 1-year validity, renewed annually • Multi-year Permit: Covers full duration of studies - Requires proof of enrollment & exam participation every 2 years

TOTAL COST (FIRST YEAR)

Visa Type D	€90
Residence Permit (1st year)	€150
TOTAL	€240