



UK Visas
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The sponsorship management system (SMS) manuals

Step by step guide for sponsors

Manual 4 of 12: Creating CAS

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Additional SMS manuals

There are 12 SMS manuals available, plus a supplementary policy manual for completing a CAS. The manuals are grouped into three categories: common, CAS and CoS. The table below describes the purpose and audience of each manual.

You should read all manuals applicable to your licence before contacting the relevant helpdesk.

Manual reference	Manual title	Type	Purpose	Audience
Manual 1	Introduction to SMS	Common	Use this manual to log into SMS, change your password, manage SMS users and view important messages posted by the Home Office. In addition, this manual explains who should use SMS and for what purpose. The manual features a full introduction to SMS as well as a comprehensive troubleshooting section.	All sponsors
Manual 2	Managing your licence	Common	To help sponsors manage their key personnel, change their licence details, manage PAYE references, and apply for allocations of CoS/CAS.	All sponsors
Manual 3	Apply for Premium customer service, Basic Compliance Assessment and manage Action plans	Common	To help sponsors apply for Premium customer service, Basic Compliance Assessment and manage action plans.	All sponsors

Manual reference	Manual title	Type	Purpose	Audience
Manual 4	Creating and assigning CAS	CAS	To help sponsors create and assign individual and batches of CAS.	Sponsors licensed in the Student Route
Manual 4a	Creating a CAS – guide for education sponsors	CAS	This manual contains supplementary information on completing a CAS. Use this guide to determine what information is necessary in each field of the CAS.	Sponsors licensed in the Student Route
Manual 5	Reporting student activity	CAS	To help sponsors report student activity, for example if a student's circumstances change. This manual also contains help with reporting fee updates and adding sponsor notes to CAS that have already been assigned.	Sponsors licensed in the Student Route
Manual 6	Miscellaneous CAS functions	CAS	To help sponsors complete all other functions of CAS, such as managing batches of CAS, managing pre-stored addresses for use when creating CAS, transferring ownership of CAS, printing CAS and exporting CAS.	Sponsors licensed in the Student Route
Manual 7	Bulk Data Transfer of CAS	CAS	To help sponsors use the bulk data transfer (BDT) functions of SMS, including graduate notifications. You must have a bespoke IT system in place to use BDT.	Sponsors licensed in the Student Route

Manual reference	Manual title	Type	Purpose	Audience
Manual 8	Creating and assigning CoS	CoS	To help sponsors create and assign individual and batches of CoS.	Sponsors licensed in any Worker or Temporary Worker route
Manual 9	Reporting worker activity	CoS	To help sponsors report worker activity, for example if a worker's circumstances change. This manual also contains help with adding sponsor notes to CoS that have already been assigned.	Sponsors licensed in any Worker or Temporary Worker route
Manual 10	Miscellaneous CoS functions	CoS	To help sponsors complete all other functions of CoS, such as managing batches of CoS, managing pre-stored addresses for use when creating CoS, transferring ownership of CoS, and printing CoS.	Sponsors licensed in any Worker or Temporary Worker route

Manual reference	Manual title	Type	Purpose	Audience
Manual 11	Temporary Work – Creative Worker Group of CoS	CoS	To help sponsors create and manage groups of CoS. Groups of CoS are only available to sponsors licensed in Temporary Work - Creative Worker	Sponsors licensed in the Temporary Work - Creative Work Route
Manual 12	Defined CoS	CoS	To help sponsors apply for defined CoS, track applications for defined CoS and once granted, create defined CoS.	Sponsors licensed in Skilled Worker

Glossary

Term	Meaning
SMS	Sponsorship Management System
CoS	Certificate of Sponsorship
CAS	Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies
AO	Authorising Officer
KC	Key Contact
BDT	Bulk Data Transfer
SELT	Secure English Language Test
.XML	Extensible Mark-up Language
.PDF	Portable Document Format
Automation	On 6 April 2014 we introduced new functionality in SMS to automatically renew CoS allocations and to apply changes to your address, or that of your AO and KC. We will write to you if you meet the criteria and automation has been set.

CAS status

The table below shows each status which can apply to a CAS.

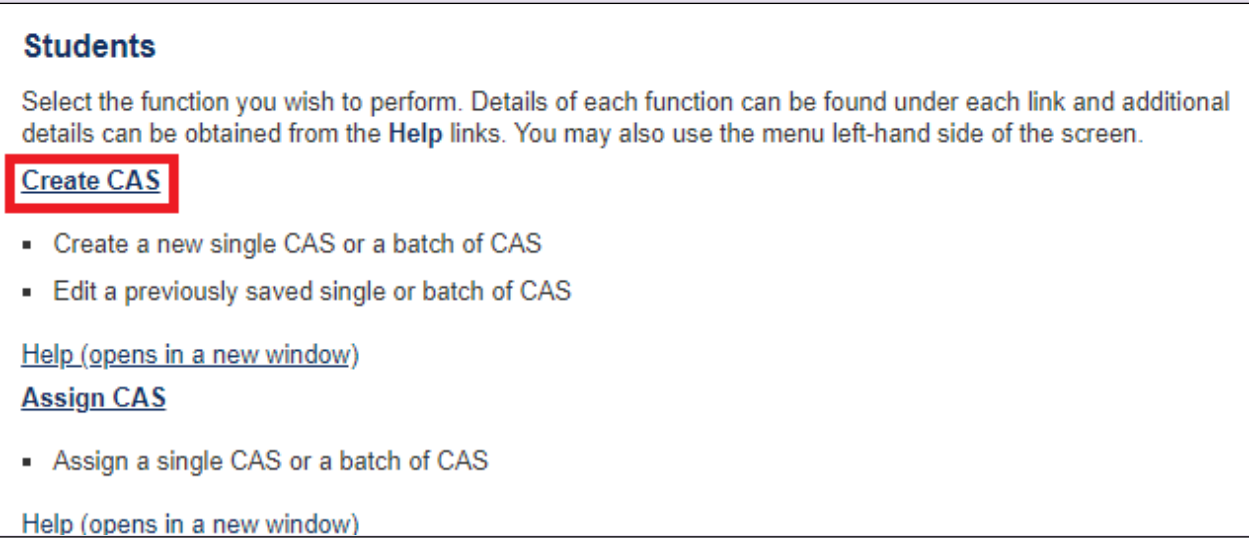
As seen in SMS	Meaning
WORK IN PROGRESS	The CAS is still 'in draft' as one or more mandatory fields are yet to be completed.
READY TO GO	All mandatory fields are complete and the CAS is ready to be assigned to an individual.
ASSIGNED	The CAS has been assigned to an individual in SMS and is ready to be used in support of an application for leave to enter/remain in the UK.
WITHDRAWN	You have used the 'Manage live CAS' function in SMS to withdraw the CAS.
OBSOLETE	SMS has automatically changed the CAS status to 'Obsolete' as it has detected that another CAS assigned to the same individual has been marked as 'Used' within the validity period of this CAS.
USED	The CAS has been used in support of a student's application for leave to enter or remain.
EXPIRED	EITHER: The individual has not made an application for leave to enter or remain before the expiry date of the CAS. In this instance a new CAS is required. OR: The individual has applied before the CAS expiry date but we have not considered their application before that CAS date. In this case, no action is required on your part; we will change the status of the CAS from EXPIRED to USED when the application is considered.
CANCELLED	The CAS has been cancelled as your licence has been revoked or has expired, or you have surrendered the relevant route / your whole licence prior to the CAS being used.

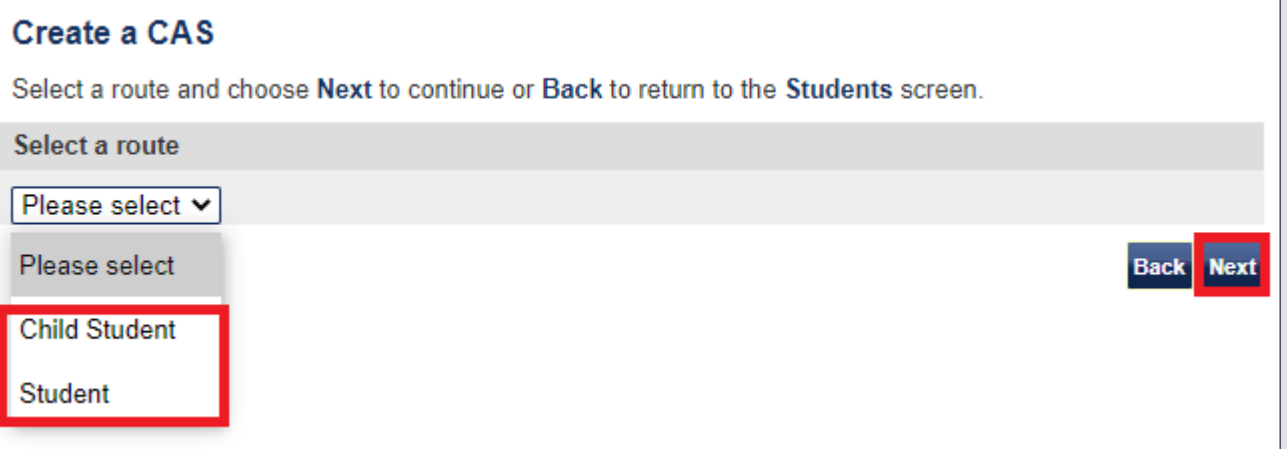
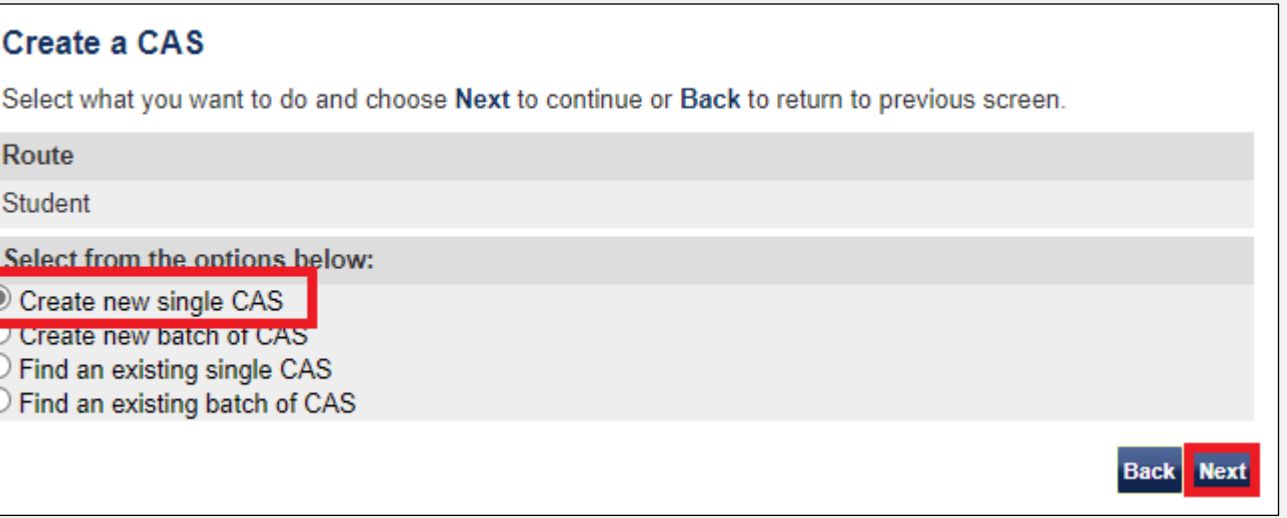
SMS guides

Guide 1: How to create and assign a new single CAS

Follow the step by step instructions below to create and assign a CAS.

You should read the [Sponsorship policy guidance](#) and [SMS guide 4a – Creating a CAS – guide for education sponsors](#) before creating and assigning CAS.

Step	Instruction	Screen example
1	From the Students screen, select Create CAS .	 <p>Students</p> <p>Select the function you wish to perform. Details of each function can be found under each link and additional details can be obtained from the Help links. You may also use the menu left-hand side of the screen.</p> <p>Create CAS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Create a new single CAS or a batch of CAS▪ Edit a previously saved single or batch of CAS <p>Help (opens in a new window)</p> <p>Assign CAS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Assign a single CAS or a batch of CAS <p>Help (opens in a new window)</p>

Step	Instruction	Screen example
2	<p>From the Create a CAS screen, select the relevant route (Student or Child Student) and choose Next.</p> <p>If you are only licensed under one of these categories, the drop-down list will default to that route and this step won't be necessary.</p>	
3	<p>From the second Create a CAS screen, select Create new single CAS and choose Next.</p>	

Step

Instruction

Screen example

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From the third **Create a CAS** screen, complete the details of the individual you wish to sponsor, then select **Save**.

Student details

Enter the details of the student to which you want to assign the CAS. Where applicable, complete the information as shown in their passport.

Student details

Family name:	*	<input type="text"/>
Given name(s):		<input type="text"/>
Other names:		<input type="text"/>
Date of birth:	*	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Sex:	*	<input type="text" value="Please select"/>
Nationality:	*	<input type="text" value="Please select"/>
Place of birth:		<input type="text"/>
Help (opens in a new window)		
Country of birth:	*	<input type="text" value="Please select"/>
Passport number:	*	<input type="text"/>
Applicant number:		<input type="text"/>
Help (opens in a new window)		
UCAS ID number:		<input type="text"/>
Help (opens in a new window)		

Agent (optional)

Migrant sourced through agent?:	<input type="checkbox"/>	If you used an agent, give details:
Agent company name:	*	<input type="text"/>
Agent contact family name:	*	<input type="text"/>
Agent contact given name:		<input type="text"/>
Address:	*	<input type="text"/>
		<input type="text"/>
		<input type="text"/>
City or town:	*	<input type="text"/>
County, area district or province:		<input type="text"/>
Postcode or ZIP code:	*	<input type="text"/>
Country:	*	<input type="text" value="Please select"/>
Help (opens in a new window)		

Offer details

Enter the course and study details of the offer that the CAS supports.








Course details

Application number:		<input type="text"/>
Help (opens in a new window)		
Course title:	*	<input type="text"/>
Help (opens in a new window)		
Course ID:		<input type="text"/>
Help (opens in a new window)		

Note You must complete the **Family name** field as a minimum to save the CAS.

Step	Instruction	Screen example																				
5	<p>From the Confirmation of saved CAS screen, choose Assign.</p> <p>If you need to change any details, select Amend.</p>	<div><h3>Confirmation of saved CAS</h3><p>From the options below, choose:</p><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Amend to edit information on the CAS;▪ Assign to pay for and assign the CAS. This option will only be available if all mandatory fields in the CAS have been completed. Once a CAS has been assigned it cannot be amended;▪ Link to link the CAS to a batch;▪ Delete to delete the CAS; or▪ Exit to return to the previous screen.<table><tr><th colspan="2">Route</th></tr><tr><td>Student</td><td></td></tr><tr><th colspan="2">Student details</th></tr><tr><td>Passport number:</td><td>123456</td></tr><tr><td>Family name:</td><td>Smith</td></tr><tr><td>Given name(s):</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Nationality:</td><td>BANGLADESH</td></tr><tr><td>Date of birth:</td><td>17/01/1934</td></tr><tr><td>Course start date:</td><td>17/01/2021</td></tr><tr><td>Course title:</td><td>maths</td></tr></table><div><div>Exit</div><div>Link</div><div>Assign</div><div>Amend</div><div>Delete</div></div></div>	Route		Student		Student details		Passport number:	123456	Family name:	Smith	Given name(s):		Nationality:	BANGLADESH	Date of birth:	17/01/1934	Course start date:	17/01/2021	Course title:	maths
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Note	<div><div>1.</div><div>If Assign is unavailable (greyed out), one or more mandatory fields in the CAS may not have been completed. A common reason for this is because the Main study address fields have not been completed. Select Amend to edit the CAS.</div></div> <div><div>2.</div><div>Select Delete to delete the CAS if it is no longer required. You can only delete CAS that have not been assigned.</div></div>																					

Step	Instruction	Screen example																		
6	<p>On the Assign CAS screen, if the details displayed are correct, select Assign.</p> <p>If you need to make further changes, select Back.</p>	<div><div><h3>Assign CAS</h3><p>Check the information and choose Assign to assign the CAS or choose Back to return to the previous screen.</p><h4>Current allocation details</h4><p>The current allocation you hold against the route you are going to assign this CAS under is shown below. You will not be able to assign this CAS if you have used all of your allocation.</p><table><tr><td>Route:</td><td>Student</td></tr><tr><td>Limit:</td><td>100</td></tr><tr><td>Unused:</td><td>98</td></tr></table><h4>Student details</h4><div><div>Student details</div><table><tr><td>Family name:</td><td>Smith</td></tr><tr><td>Given name(s):</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Other names:</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Date of birth:</td><td>17/01/1934</td></tr><tr><td>Gender:</td><td>Female</td></tr><tr><td>Nationality:</td><td>BANGLADESH</td></tr></table></div><div><div>Overseas institution details (if applicable)</div><div>None provided</div></div><div><div>Back</div><div>Assign</div></div></div></div>	Route:	Student	Limit:	100	Unused:	98	Family name:	Smith	Given name(s):		Other names:		Date of birth:	17/01/1934	Gender:	Female	Nationality:	BANGLADESH
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Note	<p>Your current CAS allocation is also displayed in this screen. You must have a current <i>Unused</i> allocation of CAS in order to assign a CAS. If your <i>Unused</i> allocation is zero, you must apply to increase your allocation by using either the Request CoS/CAS increase or Request renewal of annual CoS/CAS allocations (if applicable) function found in Licence summary, applications and services.</p>																			


Step	Instruction	Screen example
	<p>From the Online payment screen, select OK to proceed through the payment process.</p>	<div data-bbox="900 440 2083 1080"> <h3>Online payment</h3> <p>You are about to be redirected to a third party online payment service to pay. Once you have paid, you will be brought back to the sponsorship management system to confirm that the CAS has been assigned. The CAS number will then be available for you to give to the student. All payments must be made in pounds sterling (£). Choose OK to be redirected to WorldPay or if you do not want to proceed choose Cancel to return to the previous screen.</p> <p>The following cards will be accepted:</p> <div>       </div> <p>Electronic payments are powered by:</p>  <div> <p>Payment amount</p> <p>Amount: 21</p> </div> <div> Cancel OK </div> </div>
7	<p>When you have completed payment, the Confirmation of assigned CAS screen is displayed. The creation and assignment process is now complete.</p>	

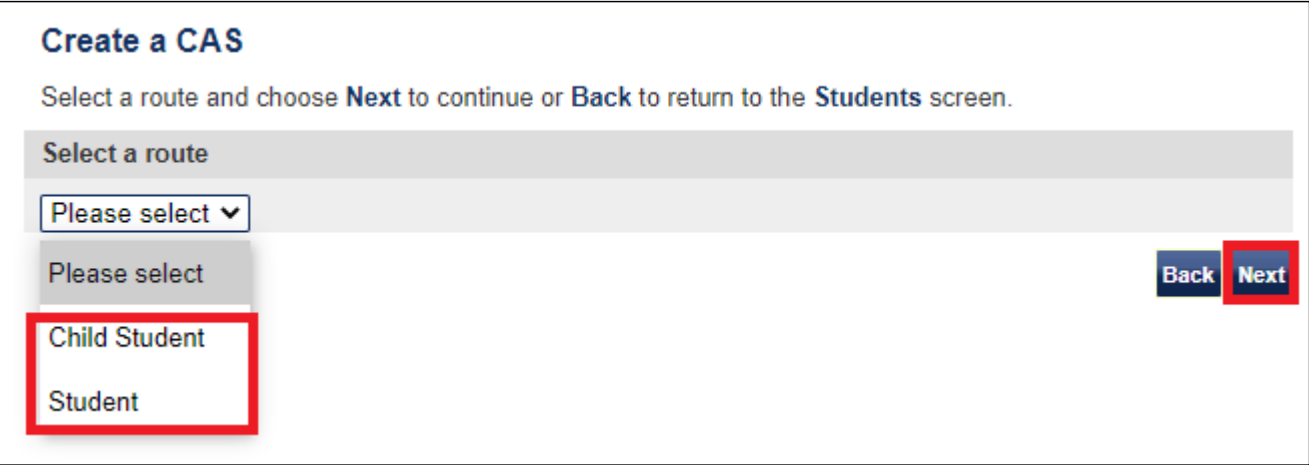
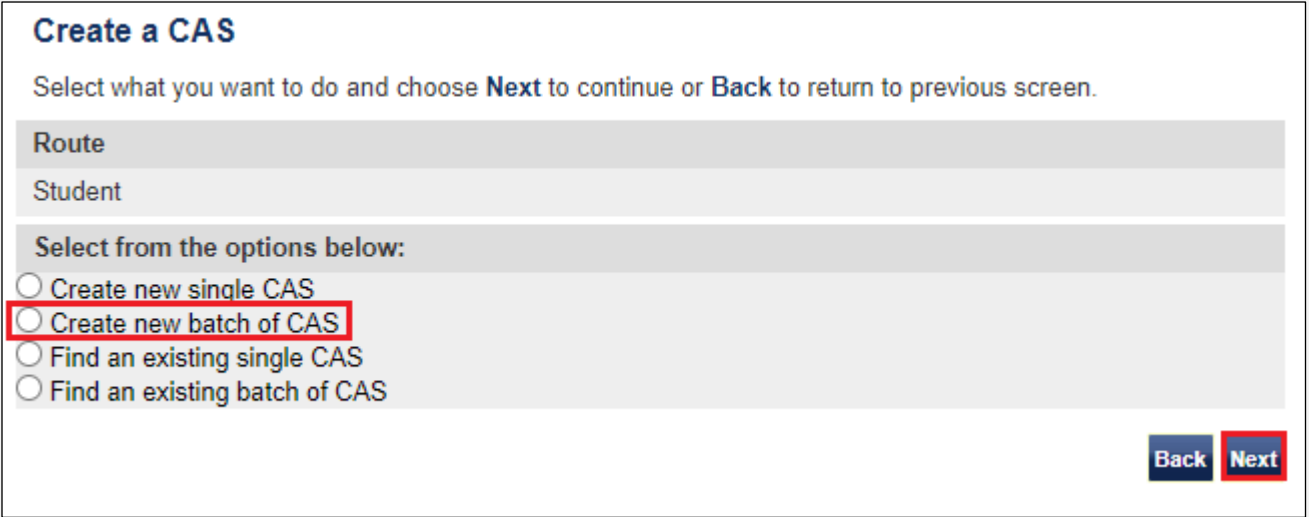
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8	The Confirmation of Assigned CAS , shows details of the assigned CAS.	<div><h3>Confirmation of Assigned CAS</h3><p>The CAS has been assigned, you should take a note of the CAS number and then give the number to the student. Choose OK to continue.</p><table><tr><td colspan="2">Route</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Student</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">CAS details</td></tr><tr><td>CAS number:</td><td>E4G2XA2A45E0A4</td></tr><tr><td>Date assigned:</td><td>23/11/2020</td></tr><tr><td>Expiry date (use by):</td><td>24/05/2021</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Student details</td></tr><tr><td>Passport number:</td><td>123456</td></tr><tr><td>Family name:</td><td>Smith</td></tr><tr><td>Given name(s):</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Nationality:</td><td>BANGLADESH</td></tr><tr><td>Date of birth:</td><td>17/01/1934</td></tr><tr><td>Course start date:</td><td>17/01/2021</td></tr><tr><td>Course title:</td><td>maths</td></tr></table><div>OK</div></div>	Route		Student		CAS details		CAS number:	E4G2XA2A45E0A4	Date assigned:	23/11/2020	Expiry date (use by):	24/05/2021	Student details		Passport number:	123456	Family name:	Smith	Given name(s):		Nationality:	BANGLADESH	Date of birth:	17/01/1934	Course start date:	17/01/2021	Course title:	maths
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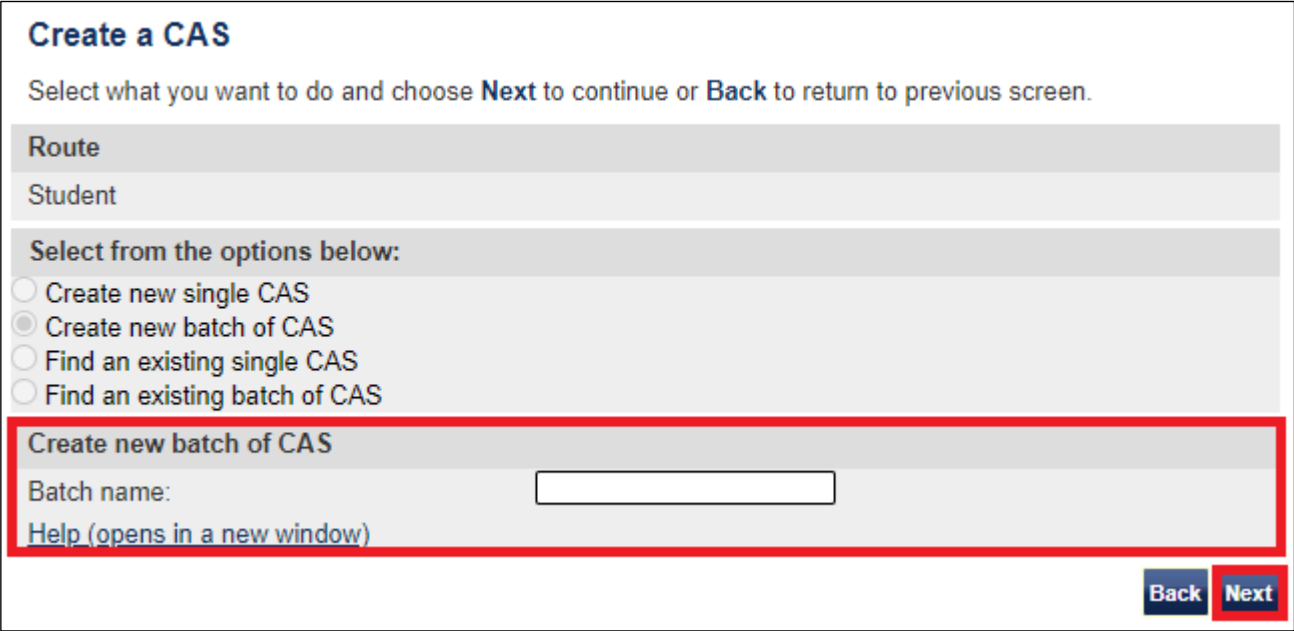
Guide 2: How to create and assign a new batch of CAS

Follow the step by step instructions to create and assign a batch of CAS.

You should read the [Sponsorship policy guidance](#) and [SMS guide 4a – Creating a CAS – guide for education sponsors](#) before creating and assigning batches of CAS.

Step	Instruction	Screen example
1	From the Students screen, select Create CAS .	<div><div> UK Visas & Immigration</div><div>You are here > SMS user manuals > 4. Creating and assigning CAS</div><div><div>Students</div><div>Select the function you wish to perform. Details of each function can be found under each link and additional details can be obtained from the Help links. You may also use the menu left-hand side of the screen.</div><div>Create CAS</div><div><div>Create a new single CAS or a batch of CAS</div><div>Edit a previously saved single or batch of CAS</div></div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div><div>Assign CAS</div><div><div>Assign a single CAS or a batch of CAS</div></div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div><div>View CAS</div><div><div>View all CAS and batch(es)</div><div>Print CAS</div></div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div><div>Export CAS</div><div><div>Export and download CAS and batch data</div></div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div></div></div>

Step	Instruction	Screen example
2	<p>From the Create a CAS screen, select the relevant route (Student or Child Student) and choose Next.</p> <p>If you are only licensed under one of these categories, the drop-down list will default to that route and this step won't be necessary.</p>	 <p>The screenshot shows the 'Create a CAS' screen. At the top, it says 'Select a route and choose Next to continue or Back to return to the Students screen.' Below this is a section titled 'Select a route' with a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is open, showing 'Please select' at the top, followed by 'Child Student' and 'Student'. The 'Child Student' option is highlighted with a red box. To the right of the dropdown are 'Back' and 'Next' buttons, with 'Next' also highlighted with a red box.</p>
3	<p>From the second Create a CAS screen, select Create new batch of CAS and Next.</p>	 <p>The screenshot shows the second 'Create a CAS' screen. At the top, it says 'Select what you want to do and choose Next to continue or Back to return to previous screen.' Below this is a section titled 'Route' with a dropdown menu showing 'Student'. Below the dropdown is a section titled 'Select from the options below:' with four radio button options: 'Create new single CAS', 'Create new batch of CAS', 'Find an existing single CAS', and 'Find an existing batch of CAS'. The 'Create new batch of CAS' option is highlighted with a red box. To the right of the options are 'Back' and 'Next' buttons, with 'Next' also highlighted with a red box.</p>

Step	Instruction	Screen example
4	From the final Create a CAS screen, enter the batch name, then select Next .	

Note The name of the batch should be something meaningful, as you might need to retrieve it later.

Step

Instruction

Screen example

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From the **Batch details** screen, select **Add CAS** (two buttons available).

Batch details

A maximum of 100 CAS will be displayed on this screen. From the options below, choose:

- **Save batch details** to save any changes to the batch name;
- **Unlink** to remove a CAS from a batch without deleting the CAS;
- **Edit** to make changes to the CAS or delete the CAS from the batch;
- **Upload** to upload CAS to the batch using bulk data transfer (BDT);
- **Add CAS** to add a single CAS to the batch;
- **Add pre-populated CAS** to add a CAS pre-populated with the non-personal details of the last CAS created within this batch;
- **Exit** if you do not wish to continue;
- **Delete all** to delete the whole batch and its contents; or
- **Assign** to pay for and assign the batch. All CAS must have a status of **Ready to go** to assign the batch.

Route

Student

Batch details

Batch name:

*

Test Batch

[Help \(opens in a new window\)](#)

Number of CAS in batch:

0

Owner:

test, test (HdcozV)

Status:

WORK IN PROGRESS

Date created:

23/11/2020

Upload

Add pre-populated CAS

Add CAS

Save batch details

Details of CAS within batch

CAS status	Family name	Given name	Date of birth	Nationality	Passport number	Course start date

Upload

Add pre-populated CAS

Add CAS

Exit

Delete all

Assign

Note **Assign** will be not available (greyed out) until you have added a CAS to the batch.

Step

Instruction

Screen example

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From the **Create a CAS** screen, complete the student details and course details then select **Save**.

Route	
Student	
Batch details	
Batch name:	TEST
Student details	
Enter the details of the student to which you want to assign the CAS. Where applicable, complete the information as shown in their passport.	
Student details	
Family name:	*
Given name(s):	
Other names:	
Date of birth:	* <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Sex:	* <input type="text"/>
Nationality:	*
Place of birth:	<input type="text"/>
Country of birth:	*
Passport number:	*
Applicant number:	
UCAS ID number:	
Agent (optional)	
Migrant sourced through agent?:	<input type="checkbox"/> If you used an agent, give details:
Agent company name:	*
Agent contact family name:	*
Agent contact given name:	*
Address:	*
City or town:	*
County, area district or province:	*
Postcode or ZIP code:	*
Country:	* <input type="text"/>
Offer details	
Enter the course and study details of the offer that the CAS supports.	
Course details	
Application number:	
Course title:	*
Course ID:	

Step

Instruction

Screen example

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From the **Batch details** screen, you can now see that the CAS you just created is displayed beneath the **Details of CAS within batch** heading.

Repeat the steps above to add additional CAS to the batch.

Once you have added all required CAS to the batch, select **Assign**.

Batch details

A maximum of 100 CAS will be displayed on this screen. From the options below, choose:

- **Save batch details** to save any changes to the batch name;
- **Unlink** to remove a CAS from a batch without deleting the CAS;
- **Edit** to make changes to the CAS or delete the CAS from the batch;
- **Upload** to upload CAS to the batch using bulk data transfer (BDT);
- **Add CAS** to add a single CAS to the batch;
- **Add pre-populated CAS** to add a CAS pre-populated with the non-personal details of the last CAS created within this batch;
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Route

Student

Batch details

Batch name:

* Test Batch

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Number of CAS in batch:

1

Owner:

test, test (HdcozV)

Status:

READY TO GO

Date created:

23/11/2020

Upload

Add pre-populated CAS

Add CAS

Save batch details

Details of CAS within batch

	CAS status	Family name	Given name	Date of birth	Nationality	Passport number	Course start date
Unlink Edit	READY TO GO	Taylor		18/12/1938	AUSTRALIA	4321	18/12/2020

Upload








Add pre-populated CAS

Add CAS

Exit

Delete all


Assign

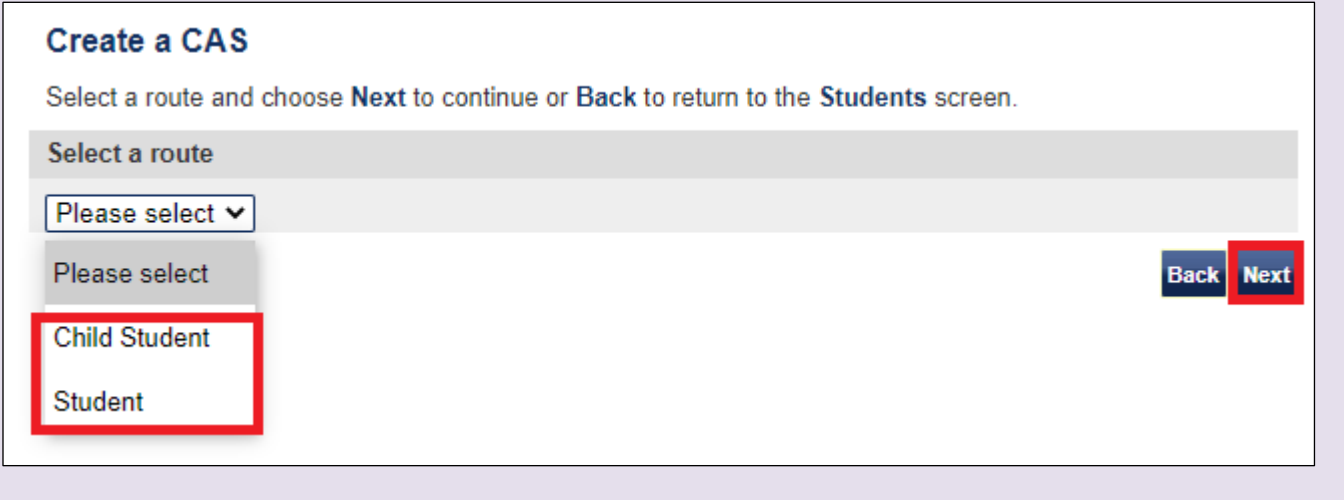
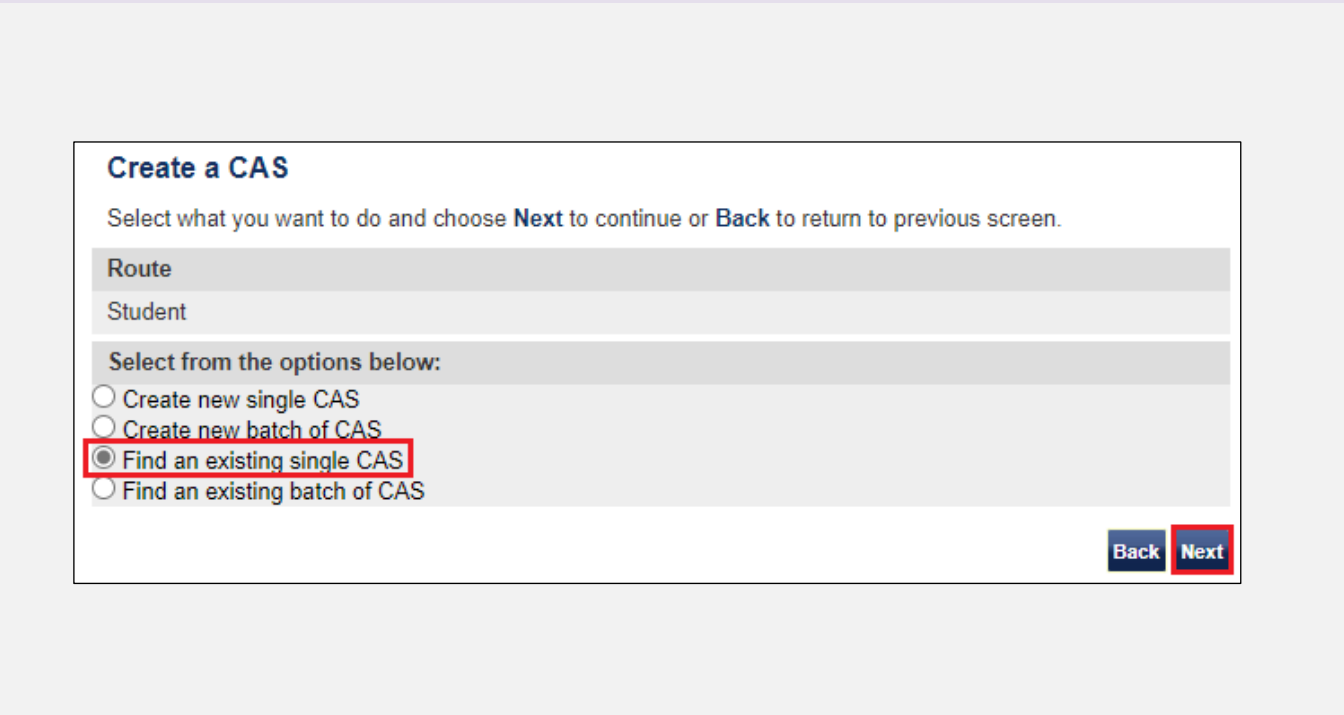
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9	From the Online payment screen, select OK then proceed through the payment process.	<div><h3>Online payment</h3><p>You are about to be redirected to a third party online payment service to pay. Once you have paid, you will be brought back to the sponsorship management system to confirm that the CAS has been assigned. The CAS number will then be available for you to give to the student. All payments must be made in pounds sterling (£). Choose OK to be redirected to WorldPay or if you do not want to proceed choose Cancel to return to the previous screen.</p><p>The following cards will be accepted:</p><div></div><p>Electronic payments are powered by:</p><table><thead><tr><th colspan="2">Payment amount</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Batch name:</td><td>Test Batch</td></tr><tr><td>Number of CAS in batch:</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Amount:</td><td>21</td></tr></tbody></table><div>CancelOK</div></div>	Payment amount		Batch name:	Test Batch	Number of CAS in batch:	1	Amount:	21										
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Amount:	21																			
10	Following successful payment, you will be returned to the Confirmation of assigned batch screen, where you can see that the CAS has been assigned a CAS number .	<div><h3>Confirmation of assigned batch</h3><p>The batch has been assigned successfully. The batch contents are displayed alphabetically. If this is a very large batch of CAS, not all CAS may be displayed. If this is the case, use the export CAS function for a full list. You should now give the CAS numbers to the students. Choose OK to continue.</p><div><h4>Batch details</h4><table><tbody><tr><td>Batch name:</td><td>Test Batch2</td></tr><tr><td>Number of CAS in batch:</td><td>1</td></tr></tbody></table></div><div><h4>CAS summary</h4><table><thead><tr><th>CAS number</th><th>Family name</th><th>Given name</th><th>Date of birth</th><th>Nationality</th><th>Passport number</th><th>Course start date</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>E4G2XA2A46G0A5</td><td>Taylor</td><td></td><td>19/12/1938</td><td>ARGENTINA</td><td>00000</td><td>19/12/2020</td></tr></tbody></table></div><div>OK</div></div>	Batch name:	Test Batch2	Number of CAS in batch:	1	CAS number	Family name	Given name	Date of birth	Nationality	Passport number	Course start date	E4G2XA2A46G0A5	Taylor		19/12/1938	ARGENTINA	00000	19/12/2020
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Guide 3: How to edit or delete a single CAS

Follow the step by step instructions below to edit or delete a single CAS. These functions are useful if you wish to edit a CAS before assigning it or you wish to delete a CAS that is no longer required.

You should read the [Sponsorship policy guidance](#) and [SMS guide 4a – Creating a CAS – guide for education sponsors](#) before editing or deleting a CAS.

Step	Instruction	Screen example
1	From the Student screen, select Create CAS .	<div><div> UK Visas & Immigration</div><div>You are here > SMS user manuals > 4. Creating and assigning CAS</div><div><div>Students</div><div>Select the function you wish to perform. Details of each function can be found under each link and additional details can be obtained from the Help links. You may also use the menu left-hand side of the screen.</div><div><div>Create CAS</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Create a new single CAS or a batch of CASEdit a previously saved single or batch of CAS</div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div><div><div>Assign CAS</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Assign a single CAS or a batch of CAS</div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div><div><div>View CAS</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">View all CAS and batch(es)Print CAS</div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div><div><div>Export CAS</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Export and download CAS and batch data</div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div></div></div></div></div></div></div>

Step	Instruction	Screen example
2	<p>From the Create a CAS screen, select the relevant route (Student or Child Student) and choose Next.</p> <p>If you are only licensed under one of these categories, the drop-down list will default to that route and this step won't be necessary.</p>	
3	<p>From the second Create a CAS screen, select Find an existing single CAS and then Next.</p>	

Step	Instruction	Screen example
4	From the final Create a CAS screen, enter your search parameters, then select Next .	<div><h3>Create a CAS</h3><p>Select what you want to do and choose Next to continue or Back to return to previous screen.</p><div>Route</div><div>Student</div><div>Select from the options below:</div><div><input type="radio"/> Create new single CAS</div><div><input type="radio"/> Create new batch of CAS</div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> Find an existing single CAS</div><div><input type="radio"/> Find an existing batch of CAS</div><div>Find an existing single CAS</div><div><div>Passport number:</div><div></div></div><div><div>Family name:</div><div></div></div><div><div>Given name(s):</div><div></div></div><div><div>Date of birth:</div><div><div>▼</div><div></div><div>▼</div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div>▼</div></div></div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div><div><div>Back</div><div>Next</div></div></div>
Note	If your search parameters are not specific, you will be presented with a long list of CAS. This screen is not featured in this guide. Select the CAS you wish to edit or delete. If your search parameters are specific, you will be presented with the screen below.	

Step

Instruction

Screen example

From the **Edit an existing CAS** screen, edit the details you wish to change, then select **Save**.

- 5 If you wish to delete the CAS, select **Delete**. You will now be asked to confirm the deletion. Select **Delete** to proceed.

Edit an existing CAS

Enter the details of the student to which you want to assign the CAS. Where applicable, complete the information as shown in their passport.

Route

Student

Student details

Enter the details of the student to which you want to assign the CAS. Where applicable, complete the information as shown in their passport.

Student details

Family name:	*	<input type="text" value="Smith"/>
Given name(s):		<input type="text"/>
Other names:		<input type="text"/>
Date of birth:	*	<input type="text" value="v"/> <input type="text" value="v"/> <input type="text" value="v"/>
Gender:	*	<input type="text" value="Please select v"/>
Nationality:	*	<input type="text" value="Please select v"/>
Place of birth:		<input type="text"/>
Help (opens in a new window)		
Country of birth:	*	<input type="text" value="Please select v"/>
Passport number:	*	<input type="text"/>
Applicant number:		<input type="text"/>
Help (opens in a new window)		

Overseas institution details (if applicable)

Overseas higher education institution name:	<input type="text"/>
Pre-stored address:	<input type="text" value="Please select v"/>

[Provide address](#)

[Help \(opens in a new window\)](#)

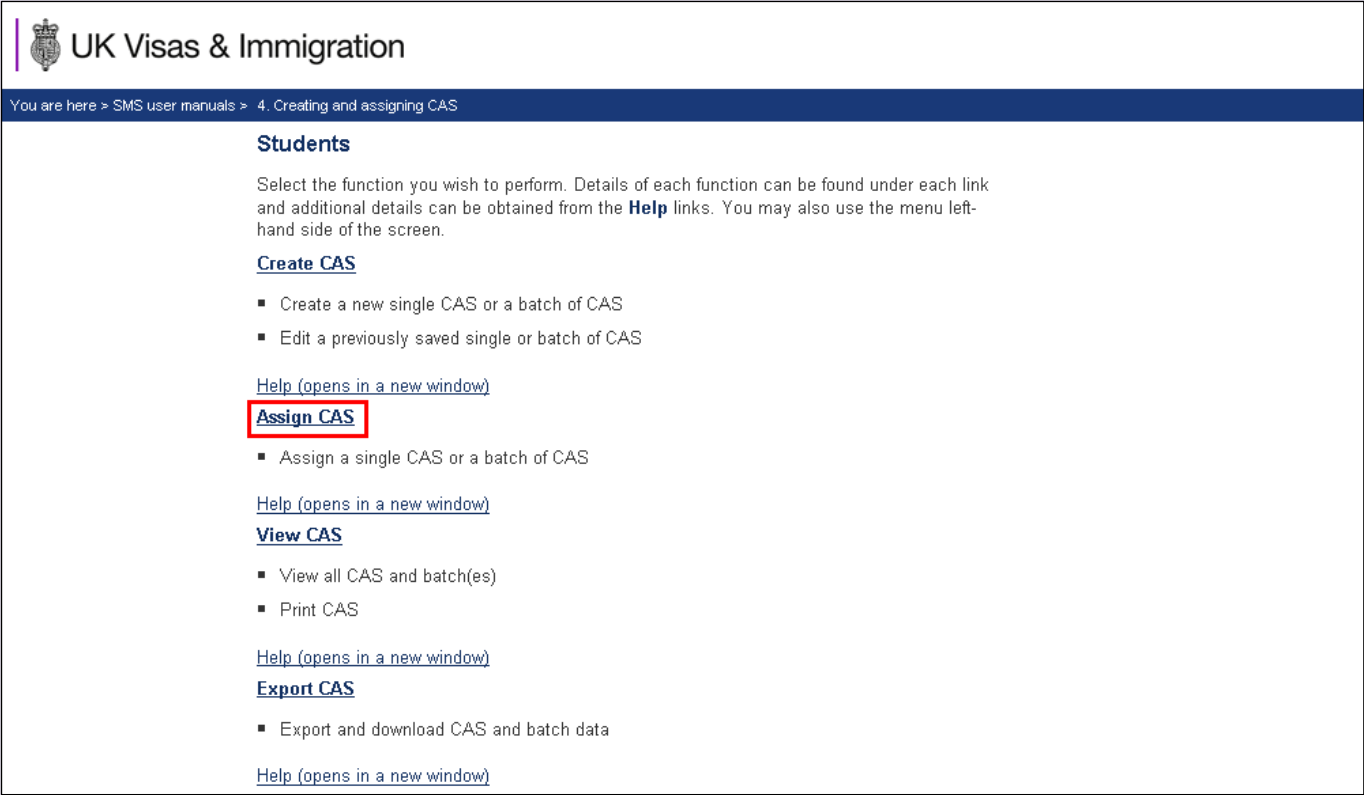
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Step	Instruction	Screen example																				
6	<p>After editing:</p> <p>From the Confirmation of saved CAS screen, you can see the amended details.</p>	<div><h3>Confirmation of saved CAS</h3><p>From the options below, choose:</p><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Amend to edit information on the CAS;▪ Assign to pay for and assign the CAS. This option will only be available if all mandatory fields in the CAS have been completed. Once a CAS has been assigned it cannot be amended;▪ Link to link the CAS to a batch;▪ Delete to delete the CAS; or▪ Exit to return to the previous screen.</div> <div><table><tr><th colspan="2">Route</th></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Student</td></tr><tr><th colspan="2">Student details</th></tr><tr><td>Passport number:</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Family name:</td><td>Smith</td></tr><tr><td>Given name(s):</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Nationality:</td><td>ARMENIA</td></tr><tr><td>Date of birth:</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Course start date:</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Course title:</td><td></td></tr></table><div>Exit Link Assign Amend Delete</div></div>	Route		Student		Student details		Passport number:		Family name:	Smith	Given name(s):		Nationality:	ARMENIA	Date of birth:		Course start date:		Course title:	
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Guide 4: How to assign a CAS (having created it earlier)

Follow the step by step instructions below to assign a single CAS. This function is useful if you have previously created a CAS and saved it (showing a status of READY TO GO), but did not assign it.

You should read the [Sponsorship policy guidance](#) and [SMS guide 4a – Creating a CAS – guide for education sponsors](#) before assigning CAS.

Step	Instruction	Screen example
1	From the Students screen, select Assign CAS .	

Step**Instruction****Screen example****2**

From the **Assign CAS** screen, select **Assign single CAS**.

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Assign CAS

Choose from the menu below either to assign a single CAS or assign a batch of CAS.

Assign single CAS

- Find and assign a single CAS

[Help \(opens in a new window\)](#)

Assign batch

- Find and assign a batch of CAS

[Help \(opens in a new window\)](#)

3

From the **Search for a single CAS to assign** screen, enter your parameters, then select **Next**.

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Search for a single CAS to assign

Enter the search criteria to find the CAS that you want to assign.

Wildcards are supported for family name and given name - if they are used, at least the first three characters must be supplied. A wildcard search requires a minimum of three characters plus an "*", for example SMI* entered as a family name would return all CAS for a student whose family name started with the letters 'SMI'. Either the passport/travel document number or family name field must be supplied.

Choose **Next** to continue, **Advanced** for a more detailed search or **Back** to return to the previous screen.

[Help \(opens in a new window\)](#)

Student details

Passport number:

Family name:

Given name(s):

Date of birth:

[Help \(opens in a new window\)](#)

Back **Advanced** **Next**

Note

If your search parameters are not specific, you will be presented with a long list of CAS. This screen is not featured in this guide. Select the CAS you wish to assign. If your search parameters are specific, you will be presented with the screen below.

Step**Instruction****Screen example****4**

From the **Assign CAS** screen, ensure the details are correct, and then select **Assign**.

Assign CAS

Check the information and choose **Assign** to assign the CAS or choose **Back** to return to the previous screen.

Current allocation details

The current allocation you hold against the route you are going to assign this CAS under is shown below. You will not be able to assign this CAS if you have used all of your allocation.

Route:	Student
Limit:	100
Unused:	99

Student details**Student details**

Family name:	Smith
Given name(s):	
Other names:	
Date of birth:	01/01/1925
Sex:	Male
Nationality:	ALGERIA
Place of birth:	Algeria
Country of birth:	AFGHANISTAN
Passport number:	123456
Sponsor's system unique ID for a student:	
UCAS ID number:	

Note You must have a current *Unused* allocation of CAS in order to assign a CAS.

Step	Instruction	Screen example				
5	The Online payment screen is now displayed. Select OK to proceed with the transaction; this will open the Home Office’s contracted third party payment service (Worldpay).	<div><p>Online payment</p><p>You are about to be redirected to a third party online payment service to pay. Once you have paid, you will be brought back to the sponsorship management system to confirm that the CAS has been assigned. The CAS number will then be available for you to give to the student. All payments must be made in pounds sterling (£). Choose OK to be redirected to WorldPay or if you do not want to proceed choose Cancel to return to the previous screen.</p><table><tr><th colspan="2">Payment amount</th></tr><tr><td>Amount:</td><td>55</td></tr></table><div><div>Cancel</div><div>OK</div></div></div>	Payment amount		Amount:	55
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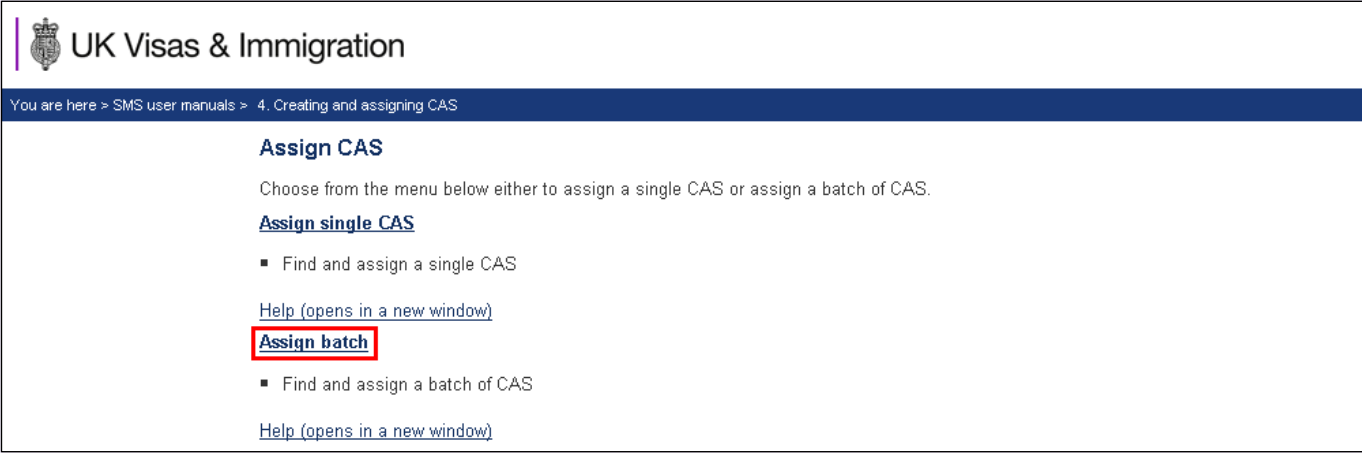
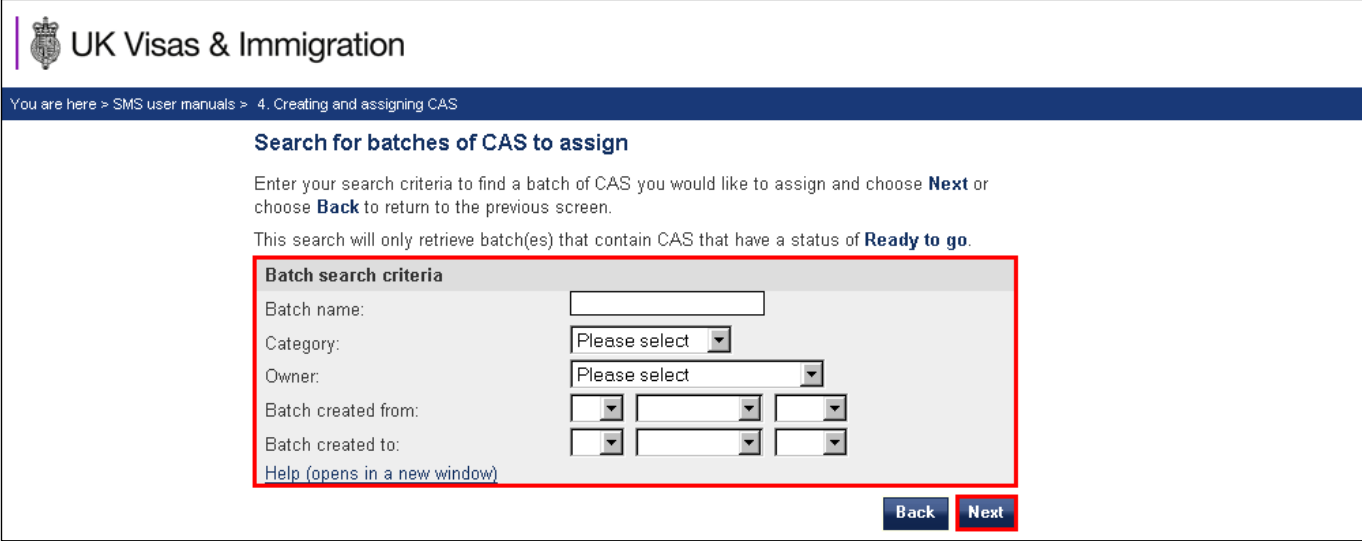
Step	Instruction	Screen example
6	The CAS has been assigned and you can now see the unique CAS number.	<div><h3>Confirmation of Assigned CAS</h3><p>The CAS has been assigned, you should take a note of the CAS number and then give the number to the student. Choose OK to continue.</p><div><div>Route</div><div>Student</div></div><div><div>CAS details</div><div><div>CAS number:</div><div>E4G5EG8A57N0A4</div></div><div><div>Date assigned:</div><div>13/05/2025</div></div><div><div>Expiry date (use by):</div><div>14/11/2025</div></div></div><div><div>Student details</div><div><div>Passport number:</div><div>123456</div></div><div><div>Family name:</div><div>Smith</div></div><div><div>Given name(s):</div><div></div></div><div><div>Nationality:</div><div>ALGERIA</div></div><div><div>Date of birth:</div><div>01/01/1925</div></div><div><div>Course start date:</div><div>18/07/2025</div></div><div><div>Course title:</div><div>Maths</div></div></div></div> <div>OK</div>

Guide 5: How to assign a batch (having created it earlier)

Follow the step by step instructions to assign a batch of CAS, without first creating it. This function is useful if you have previously created a batch of CAS and you now wish to assign and pay for it.

You should read the [Sponsorship policy guidance](#) and [SMS guide 4a – Creating a CAS – guide for education sponsors](#) before assigning batches of CAS.

Step	Instruction	Screen example
1	From the Students screen, select Assign CAS .	<div><div> UK Visas & Immigration</div><div>You are here > SMS user manuals > 4. Creating and assigning CAS</div><div><div>Students</div><div>Select the function you wish to perform. Details of each function can be found under each link and additional details can be obtained from the Help links. You may also use the menu left-hand side of the screen.</div><div><div>Create CAS</div><div><div>Create a new single CAS or a batch of CAS</div><div>Edit a previously saved single or batch of CAS</div></div><div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div><div>Assign CAS</div><div>Assign a single CAS or a batch of CAS</div></div><div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div><div>View CAS</div><div><div>View all CAS and batch(es)</div><div>Print CAS</div></div><div><div>Help (opens in a new window)</div></div></div></div></div></div>

Step	Instruction	Screen example
2	From the Assign CAS screen, select Assign batch .	
3	From the Search for batches of CAS to assign screen, enter the name of the batch you wish to assign, then select Next .	
Note	If your search parameters are not specific, you will be presented with a long list of batches. This screen is not featured in this guide. Select the batch you wish to assign. If your search parameters are specific, you will be presented with the screen below.	

Step

Instruction

Screen example

4

From the **Confirm assignment of batch** screen, select **Assign**.

Confirm assignment of batch

Confirm that you would like to assign the batch by choosing **Assign**. You will need to have enough CAS remaining in your allocation to cover the whole batch to continue. If you do not want to continue choose **Cancel** to return to the **Assign CAS - search** screen.

Current allocation details

Allocation details

Route:	Student
Limit:	100
Unused:	98

Batch details

Batch name:	SMS guides
Number of CAS in batch:	1

Cancel **Assign**

Step	Instruction	Screen example								
5	<p>From the Online payment screen, choose OK then proceed through the payment process.</p> <p>When you have completed payment, the Confirmation of Assigned CAS screen is displayed.</p>	<div><p>Online payment</p><p>You are about to be redirected to a third party online payment service to pay. Once you have paid, you will be brought back to the sponsorship management system to confirm that the CAS has been assigned. The CAS number will then be available for you to give to the student. All payments must be made in pounds sterling (£). Choose OK to be redirected to WorldPay or if you do not want to proceed choose Cancel to return to the previous screen.</p><table><tr><th colspan="2">Payment amount</th></tr><tr><td>Batch name:</td><td>SMS guides</td></tr><tr><td>Number of CAS in batch:</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Amount:</td><td>55</td></tr></table><div>CancelOK</div></div>	Payment amount		Batch name:	SMS guides	Number of CAS in batch:	1	Amount:	55
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Step

Instruction

Screen example

6

On the **Confirmation of assigned batch**, the batch has now been assigned.

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Confirmation of assigned batch

The batch has been assigned successfully. The batch contents are displayed alphabetically. If this is a very large batch of CAS, not all CAS may be displayed. If this is the case, use the export CAS function for a full list. You should now give the CAS numbers to the students. Choose **OK** to continue.

Batch details

Batch name: SMS guides

Number of CAS in batch: 1

CAS summary

CAS number	Family name	Given name	Date of birth	Nationality	Passport number	Course start date
E4G6IA7A18VQA5	Smith	Terry	24/03/1942	BOLIVIA	687686867867	25/03/2014

OK