

# The Digital Wallet for International Students

## akorn

You may be aware of the challenges that come with setting up a UK bank account. As an international student, setting up UK banking is a real hassle:

😞 You can't open an account until you're physically in the UK, causing delays.

🏠 Banks will ask you for proof of local address... but housing providers will ask you for a local bank account.

👉 Using cash or foreign accounts can be risky and expensive, especially as many places in the UK no longer accept cash! Temporary solutions are **not** solutions.

🏠 Traditional methods for paying tuition and rent are slow, tedious and expensive

## Because moving abroad doesn't have to be so hard!

Do you have an offer to a UK university? Whether you are starting to think about getting ready for your move (or trying to cram it all last minute 😊), we've got you covered.

Say hello to akorn! The super-app designed especially for you!

## Open a UK Bank Account Before You Arrive... in minutes

You can now set up a local bank account **before** arriving to the UK – only with akorn:

- ✅ Fully virtual onboarding
- ✅ Unlock a UK bank account in minutes
- ✅ No charges or hidden fees – akorn is free
- ✅ Bypass expensive FX fees with cheaper tuition payments
- ✅ Make instant £ to £ transfers
- ✅ Unlock physical and virtual cards



## Open an account in under 5 minutes

All you'll need is:

- 📱 The akorn app downloaded on your mobile device
- ✉️ A valid email and mobile number
- 🛂 Your passport (the *physical* copy!)

## To get started

Download our app by scanning the QR code below:



## Contact Us! 📧

To keep up to date with our latest, follow us on instagram at akornapp.

If you have any questions or concerns, reach out to us on WhatsApp at +44 7388 530318

# FAQ

## Q: Do I qualify for an akorn account?

A: If you're an international student with an offer to study in the UK or an international student already pursuing studies in the UK, then akorn is tailored just for you 😊

## Q: When can I start using my akorn account?

A: Once your offer letter is verified you'll have an entry level account and can:

- ✓ View your local account details
- ✓ Top up your account
- ✓ Pay your university & accommodation fees

Once you have your Student Visa and Immigration Stamp, you'll be able to upgrade your account to unlock complete access.

## Q: What exactly is an e-current account

A: An e-current account is a digital current account. akorn's e-current account functions similarly to an online bank account. You can use it to send and receive money, make in-store and online purchases, withdraw cash, and manage your funds.

## Q: How do I top-up my account?

A: You can top-up your account via a bank transfer through your local bank in India, or better yet, use the FX links that we provide!

1. Using the FX portal: Scan the QR code to open our FX portal. Quickly open an account (if you don't already have one), and then using your account details (found in the "Top-Up" screen of your app), set up your transfer (note, transfers must be initiated in GBP).

2. Using your local bank: Head to "Top Up" to view all your account information. Hit "Share" to send this information to whoever is funding your account.

## Q: Why should I use akorn to pay my tuition fees?

A: It's simple: paying your tuition fees with akorn is the smarter choice and our tuition module is designed for seamless tuition payments. Here's why paying your tuition with akorn is a no-brainer:

- ✓ Cost-effective - Bypass expensive FX fees and pay like a domestic student with £ to £ transfers (for free!)
- ✓ Speedy - Domestic payments are much faster than international payments
- ✓ Convenient - We've done the work for you, with all instructions and account details filled out for you

## Q: Are there any upfront costs or hidden fees to be aware of?

A: No - akorn comes with no cost! ✨  
Unlike other digital wallets, akorn does not charge any fees for opening an account nor for making transactions, and there are no minimum requirements to maintain or hidden costs along the way.



# A UK Bank Account



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