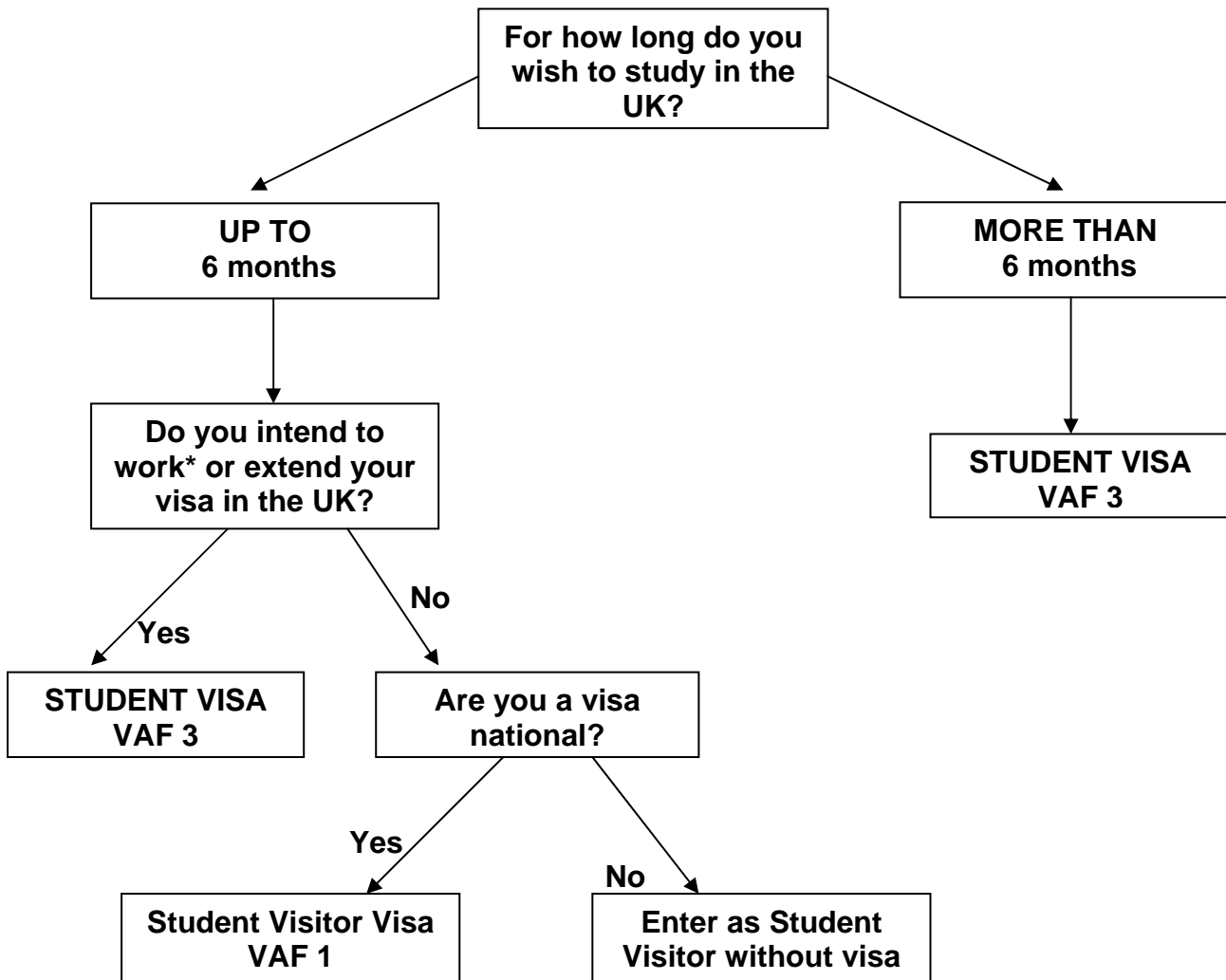




## Visa Options for Students

If you intend to study in the UK, you have the following options. A Student Visitor category has been introduced for students who come to the United Kingdom to study on courses of six-months' duration or less, eg. for short-term English language courses, but do not want to work or extend their stay.



### PLEASE NOTE:

If you intend to work\* in the UK or you may wish to extend your stay beyond your initial grant of leave, you **MUST** obtain a **STUDENT VISA** before you arrive in the UK.

If you do not wish to work or extend your stay in the UK and are studying on a course of less than 6 months, you may enter the UK as a **STUDENT VISITOR**. If you are a non-visa national you will not need a visa. However, if you are a visa national, you will need to apply for a **STUDENT VISITOR** visa.

If you have not been accepted on a course but you are seeking entry in order to visit an institution to finalise your choice of course or to take entrance exams, you **MUST** obtain a **PROSPECTIVE STUDENT VISA**, which will allow you to switch into student status whilst in the UK and continue your studies.

\*Students are allowed to work up to 20 hours per week during studies or full-time during vacations and to undertake a work placement as part of a sandwich course or an internship during a degree in the UK.