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The new government of France has repealed a controversial directive that had limited the chances for foreign students to stay in the country after their studies.

The 2011 Guéant memorandum, which directed prefectures to strictly apply immigration rules to foreign post-secondary graduates, was overturned May 31, almost exactly a year after it was first announced.

“The new memorandum will restore France’s image in the world and will reinforce positive aspects of our system of higher education and research,” said a statement by the higher education ministry.

Ministers also ordered that the work-permit application process be made more efficient and transparent.

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