

### **Additional costs for this course**

We have provided you with a breakdown of the essential costs and the optional costs which are dependent on your budget.

Please note that your marks are not a reflection of how much you spend, so a student who spends less than the estimated costs won't be marked down, compared to a student who spends more.

### **Field Trips and Other Costs**

You may choose to participate in a number of European and other design field trips during the year. The cost of the trip varies depending on destination but as a guide for a short three day visit, flights are circa £200, predicted accommodation of £200, please allow extra for living expenses.

The typical five day New York study trip usually costs around £650 – £700 for flights, accommodation and some exhibition entry, please allow extra for living expenses.

The table below sets out approximated cost the students may incur depending on their area of study. Please be aware that costs are subject to change due to external parties evaluations and is beyond the control of the Birmingham City University.

Type of expenditure	Recommendation	Estimated Cost
Laptops - PC or MAC (depending on your preference)	Non-essential	£300 - £1200
Software Adobe Creative Suite Cloud	Non-essential	With a monthly fee
Printing and binding Cost	Essential	£150/-
Books and Journals	Essential	£200/-

Table 1: Breakdown of essential and non-essential costs for the course

### **Laptops and software**

You can borrow a laptop from the university or use one of our shared computer rooms for free. Laptops may be borrowed for free for up to six hours and may be found at the following: Curzon, Millennium Point, Parkside, the School of Jewellery and Margaret Street.

Microsoft Office 365 and 1TB of OneDrive cloud storage space is provided free to all students.

### **Printing**

Our on-campus print shop can produce high-quality prints for assignments on an at-cost basis. Most assessments involve the submission of written work both electronically and in hard copy form, and while most are A4 printed and bound with a simple plastic cover, the Major Project/Dissertation module is a larger piece of work and will require you to submit two hard copies which are hard-back bound.

### **Access to Books**

Our on-campus library provides a wide range of hardbound and e-books and journals for you to hire and read for free. You are also allowed free inter-library loans of resources for your study.