International Exchange students are guaranteed accommodation in University housing, providing they apply before the 31 July deadline.

For Erasmus students housing may be available in University accommodation, and there is plenty of private housing available.

More information is available at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/index.aspx

EATING
There is a centralised University of Birmingham meal plan available. To learn more, please visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/Our-Services/mealplan.aspx

EMERGENCY CONTACTS
Emergency Security Contact:
+44 (0)121 414 4444

Non-Emergency Security Contact:
+44 (0)121 414 3000

UK Emergency Services
(Fire Services/Ambulance/Police): 999

Existing living costs* Catered halls Self-catered halls Private house
Rent £175 £150 £110
Gas and electric Included Included £11
Water Included Included £3
Food Included £50 £50
Toiletries £5 £5 £5
Laundry £5 £5 £5

Weekly total £185 £210 £174
Annual total £7,770 £8,820 £7,308

*approximate costs at the time of printing (2020)
COURSE INFORMATION

SEMIESTER DATES

Austum: September–December
Spring: January–June

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

Exchange Students from non-English speaking countries need to meet our English Language entry requirements. We accept multiple entry tests such as IELTS and TOEFL. For detailed information, please visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/support/index.aspx

APPLICATION PROCESS AND DEADLINES

Students are nominated by their home institution first, and they are subsequently invited to submit an online application. All supporting documents can be attached electronically. Nomination deadlines are end of March for a September start and end of September for a Spring start.

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- College of Social Sciences
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- Drama and Creative Studies
- History and Cultures
- Languages, Cultures, Art History and Music
- Philosophy, Theology and Religion

College of Engineering and Physical Sciences

- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Engineering
- Mathematics
- Metallurgy and Materials
- Physics and Astronomy

College of Life and Environmental Sciences

- Astronomy
- Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences
- Psychology

College of Medical And Dental Sciences

- Dentistry
- Health Sciences
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Pharmacy

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- Birmingham Rehabilitation Sciences
- Birmingham Sport, Exercise and Rehabilitation Sciences

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ADVICE, INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY AND TRANSCRIPTS

Incoming Exchange tutors are available in each School to advise exchange students in their choice of courses and credit transfer.

RESTRICTIONS

Exchange students cannot study courses in the College of Medical and Dental Sciences.

MARKING, ASSESSMENT AND FEEDBACK

Information about University entry and assessment policy is available at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/Documents/ university/legal taught-programme-module-essays.pdf

INTRODUCTION STUDENT ARRIVAL

The University of Birmingham is the only UK university which has its own train station with a direct link to the city centre and airport, and it is only 1.5 hour from London by train.

International students can find information on flying into Birmingham Airport and the University airport pick-up service in September here: www.birmingham.ac.uk/ac.uk/welcome/before-you-start/travel-information/travelling-from-overseas.aspx

WE CURRENTLY HAVE 360 STUDENTS FROM OVER 150 COUNTRIES AMONG OUR STUDENT COMMUNITY

This is the fourth-largest population of international students at any UK higher education institution and the largest international postgraduate community in the UK. The total student population is over 34,000.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

Students who are in the UK for more than six months and do not hold an EU passport may be able to apply for a Tier 4 Student Visa. Students who are in the UK for less than six months may be able to use a Short Term Study Visa.

Advice and support with visa applications is available at the University of Birmingham’s International Student Team (IST) web-page: www.birmingham.ac.uk/International/students/support/international.aspx

DID YOU KNOW?

The University of Birmingham is proud to house one of the largest collections of Roman, Byzantine, Sasanian and Islamic coins in the world within the Barber Institute of Fine Arts, which also includes a permanent exhibition dedicated to Islamic coins. The University of Birmingham is also home to one of the oldest known fragments of the Qu’ran in the world within the Mimpana collection of ancient manuscripts: www.birmingham.ac.uk/facilities/ cadbury/birmingham-quran-mimpana-collection/index.aspx

The University’s International Student Team (IST) and the Study abroad and Exchange team support students whilst they are at university. There are Wellbeing Officers in all the Colleges, and in addition, we offer the specific support below:

Global Buddies – The service offers peer-to-peer support and regular mixing events – an opportunity to meet our friendly volunteering and other students. Visit: www.guildofstudents.com/support/guidance/global-buddies

Exchange Society – This society is run by students who returned to Birmingham after their study abroad experiences, and want to help incoming students to settle in and socially integrate.

Other support for all students at Birmingham includes:

The Guild of Students – The Guild has over 250 societies, community volunteering groups and associations, collectively known as student groups – all for you to join.

Sport & Fitness – The University is proud to host an iconic 260 million Sport & Fitness Centre including a 50M swimming pool, 200 station gym, up to 200 classes per week, squash courts, climbing wall, 55 sport teams including a five-time UK championship American football team and more.

Wellbeing and Disability Services – At Birmingham, we offer a wide range of support for students with medical disability or learning difference, dyspraxia, autism or Asperger’s and other mental health conditions: www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/support/index.aspx

Academic Support – Exchange students will be allocated an academic, discipline-specific exchange tutor. For more information, please visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/support/asc.aspx

Health care in Birmingham – Information about the NHS, the UK’s largest healthcare provider, is accessible here: www.nhs.uk

The University also houses an in-house medical and dental practice available to all its students and staff: www.ukbirmingham.org.uk

MANAGING STUDENT FEES

The University provides a variety of fee routes to students from all over the world. Fee information is accessible here: www.barber.org.uk

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