
Additional costs

Tuition fees cover the cost of your teaching, assessment and operating Academy facilities such as the library, access to shared IT equipment and other support services. Accommodation and living costs are not included in our fees.

There may additionally be extra costs that are not covered by tuition fees which students will need to consider when planning their studies:

1. Textbooks

Our library is a valuable resource with a great collection of books. You may prefer to buy your own copy of key textbooks, this can cost between £50-£250 per year.

2. Computer equipment

There are open-access networked computers available at the Academy. You may find it useful to have your own PC or laptop which you can use around campus. Free Wi-Fi is available at the Academy. You may wish to purchase your own computer, which can cost £100-£3,000 depending on your requirements.

3. Photocopying and printing

In the majority of cases written coursework can be submitted online. There may be instances when you will be required to submit work in a printed format. Printing, binding and photocopying costs are not included in your tuition fees, this may cost up to £100 per year.

4. Travel

Travel costs are not included in your tuition fees. These vary according to the journey time and mode of transportation.

5. Materials

For this course you will be involved in the process of making as a means of exploration, experimentation and understanding your practice. You will be using a diverse range of media and materials, many of which are provided by the department or sponsored by industry.

Materials for the development and experimentation of your projects in the studio and workshops will cost between £100-£200 per year.

You will be given an equipment list during Induction Week to buy essential items at a discounted price from selected suppliers that should last you throughout the course and beyond, these include:

- Adjustable Saw Frame
- Pliers – Half Round
- Pliers – Flat
- Pliers – Round
- Pliers – Cutters
- Hand File – Half round 0 cut 1
- Hand File Handle
- Needle Files – cut 2 1 (Set of 6)
- Safety back Needle File
- Steel Tweezers
- Engineers Square
- Steel Rule – 6 inch
- Dividers
- Scriber
- Safety Goggles
- Reverse action Tweezers
- Flux Brush
- Small caliper gauge
- AA Tweezers
- Soft Bench Brush (or paint brush)
- Toolbox or Tool roll

With a total cost between £100 - £150

Specialist items for jewellery making are provided on loan within the department. You may be required to produce pieces of jewellery for assessment. Consumables (sawblades, solder, etc.) can be purchased in the technician shop, this will cost between £20-£100.

Additionally you may also wish to purchase your own chosen art materials which could cost between £50-£500.

6. Field trips

You will be required to participate in mandatory study visits subsidised by the department. Additional field trips for which students pay are optional, and not linked to assessments, these will range from £15 to £75.

7. Shows and Exhibitions

There is a subsidised student show for all graduates. There may be costs for participating at external shows and exhibitions. You could incur travel costs which will vary according to the location. Additional shows and exhibitions for which students pay are optional, and not linked to assessments.