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/
Essential-Information/mealplan.aspx

**ACCOMMODATION**

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| Weekly total            | £183         | £198              | £170          |
| Annual total            | £7,886       | £8,316            | £7,140        |

* approximate costs at the time of printing (2018)

**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

**FACADE**

**FACT SHEET FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS AND PARTNER UNIVERSITIES**
SEMESTER DATES

Autumn: 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 about University marking and assessment policy, please visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/Documents/university/legal/taught-programme-module-assess.pdf

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ARRIVAL

The University of Birmingham is the only UK university with its own train station, with a direct link to the city centre and airport, and is only 1.5 hours from London by train. International students can find information on flying into Birmingham Airport and the University by visiting: www.birmingham.ac.uk/welcome/before-you-start/travel-information/Airport-collection.aspx

WE CURRENTLY HAVE 5,000 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 38,830.

STUDENT SUPPORT, SOCIETIES AND SPORT

At the University of Birmingham, The International Students Advisory Service (ISAS) and the Academic Colleges

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

Exchange Society – This society is run by students that have 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:

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

Healthcare 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.lhsmp.co.uk

DO YOU KNOW?

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VISA REQUIREMENTS

Students who are in the UK for more than six months and do not hold an EU passport need 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 can be found on the University of Birmingham’s International Student Advisory Service website: www.birmingham.ac.uk/International/students/support/international.aspx

NAME OF INSTITUTION: UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

TOP 100 WORLD UNIVERSITY

GUARDIAN UK RANKING

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COURSE INFORMATION

COURSE ADVISORY, INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY AND TRANSCRIPTS

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

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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 February for a September start and end of September for a Spring start.

GLOBAL STUDENT ADVICE

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