I really enjoyed my time in halls of residence. I made lots of friends and settled in to student life very quickly. University accommodation is ideal because it offers you a place to study, eat, sleep and socialise in safe, informal surroundings; a place where you can be at the heart of student life, but find your own space when you need it.

Michael Lewis, Psychology student.

Encourage inquiry.
LIVING

For help and advice on any type of accommodation call into LIVING in University Centre on the main campus. Accommodation Services staff are on hand to help with queries relating to University owned accommodation, nominated bedspaces in 3rd party accommodation or privately owned houses and flats.

There is also a sample study bedroom for you to view to make choosing your accommodation easier.

Please feel free to pop in Monday to Friday, between 9.00am and 5.00pm.

Fresher’s Guarantee Scheme

The University guarantees a room in University or nominated bedspaces in third party accommodation to first-year undergraduates provided you have:

- Applied to our University through UCAS (not clearing)
- Have accepted our offer firmly
- Have submitted the accommodation application by 31 May 2010 – Home/EU students, or 31 July 2010 – International students
- Confirmed by 1 September 2010 that you are coming to this University
- Come to Birmingham on your own, not with family or a partner

Students holding Birmingham as their insurance offer should still apply and their application will be held until all guarantee students have been accommodated.

Apply online at www.accommodation.bham.ac.uk

Postgraduate Guarantee Scheme

The University guarantees a place in University accommodation to all first year postgraduate international and Non-UK EU students providing you have:

- Accepted our offer firmly by 1 September 2010
- Submitted the accommodation application by 31st July 2010
- Come to Birmingham alone, not with family or a partner
- Applied for accommodation for a full academic year

Apply online at www.accommodation.bham.ac.uk

University owned accommodation

All accommodation is offered on the basis of date of application with some students applying as early as October in the previous academic year. Some accommodation is inevitably more popular than others, therefore first choice accommodation cannot always be guaranteed.

A £550 pre-payment will be required when you receive your offer of accommodation. This is not a deposit, it will be deducted from the overall accommodation cost. A small discount is available for those who opt to pay the full amount in advance. (This applies to University accommodation only. Third party private providers deposit information will follow with your offer, if appropriate).

For more information on fees and discounts please visit www.finance.bham.ac.uk/payments

The University has some adapted flats suitable for students with a disability. For further details of the accommodation on offer please visit:

www.has.bham.ac.uk/studentaccom/undergraduates/
or www.has.bham.ac.uk/studentaccom/postgraduates/

Please also ensure that you visit www.as.bham.ac.uk/disability to register your particular needs.

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- Bar
- launderettes
- no smoking
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### Pritchatts Park Village

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<td>The social centre is located in the heart of the Pritchatts Park student village. It offers residents a chance to relax and socialise in a lively, friendly atmosphere. The Centre provides a large lounge with large screen television with Sky, bar, games facilities, vending area (Snack Shack), quiet study zone, ATM machine, as well as the main reception point for the village.</td>
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<td>Ashcroft comprises of four separate blocks located in landscaped grounds near to the Metchley sports pitches. It consists of 33 flats each containing six study bedrooms, a shared kitchen/diner, bathroom and toilet facilities offering self-catering accommodation for 198 students. Limited car parking spaces. Indicative fee £3,212 self-catering (42 weeks).</td>
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<td>Oakley Court consists of 21 self catering flats with attractive central landscaped courtyard. Accommodating 213 students, each flat has between five and thirteen study bedrooms, a shared kitchen/dining area and bathroom facilities. In addition, there are a number of units where the residents of two study bedrooms share shower and toilet facilities. These are known as duplex units. With limited car parking spaces. Indicative fee £4,274 (single) and £4,522 (duplex) self-catering (42 weeks).</td>
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<td>Pritchatts House accommodating 163 students in single study bedrooms with wash basins. Each flat has between fifteen and eighteen study bedrooms, a shared kitchen/dining area and bathroom facilities. In addition, there are a number of units where the residents of two study bedrooms share shower and toilet facilities. These are known as duplex units. Pritchatts House is located centrally on the village adjacent to the social centre. Indicative fee £4,173 (single), £4,467 (duplex), £6,055 (double – only one available) self-catering (42 weeks).</td>
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<td>The Spinney offers accommodation for 104 students in single study bedrooms, each flat or house has between five and eleven study bedrooms, a shared kitchen and bathroom facilities. Limited car parking spaces. Indicative fee £3,922 self-catering (42 weeks).</td>
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**Pritchatts Road**

Pritchatts Road offers self-catering accommodation for 29 postgraduate students for the first term only. Each flat has between thirteen and sixteen study bedroom. The kitchen/dining areas and bathrooms are all shared and the room sizes, shapes vary throughout the residence. There are a small number of double rooms suitable for couples within house 9. The rooms are large enough to accommodate a student and their partner (no children) who may want to share (partner does not have to be student of the University). Indicative fee £4,962 (single), £5,448 (large single), £5,765 (double) self-catering (based on 50 weeks).

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**Jarratt Hall**

Jarratt Hall comprises 129 self-catering, en-suite flats conveniently located adjacent to the main campus, and accommodates 620 students in flats ranging in size from three to six en suite study bedrooms, with shared kitchen and lounge facilities. Jarratt Hall accommodates both undergraduate and postgraduate students and has a large international community within the residence. In addition there is a small social room on site with TV/games equipment available and cycle storage. There are no car parking spaces available. Indicative fee from £4,831 single (42 weeks) to £6,008 large single (50 weeks) self-catering.

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**The Hub**

The Hub is located in the heart of The Vale village and is the situated below Shackleton. It provides recreational facilities including bars, restaurants, convenience store, The Vale 24hour reception and a coin operated launderette. The Hub is available to all students who want a meal, sandwich, coffee or relaxing drink.

Fusion is the main restaurant and Rio’s offers snacks. Meal Plan is accepted at BOTH of these outlets Monday to Friday during term time. Fusion is open Monday to Friday, 7.30am to 11.00am, 12.00 till 2.00pm and 4.30 to 9.00pm (8.00pm on Fridays)

The Meal Plan is an easy way for paying for food at The Hub with funds held on The University ID card.

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**Shackleton**

Shackleton is situated in the heart of the Vale Village and provides accommodation with a meal plan. Each flat has between two, and eight study bedrooms, the majority of which are en-suite, with a shared kitchen and dining area. Meals are taken at the The Hub, on the ground floor and are provided for 32 weeks per year (term time only). In addition there are 15 self-contained apartments offering self-catering accommodation. In total this site houses 350 students. There are no car parking spaces. Indicative en-suite fee £6,606 meal plan (42 weeks) £7,378 self-catering studio (42 weeks) and £9,920 self-catering apartment (50 weeks).
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| **Maple Bank**                   | Church Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 3TE (flats 10–51)  
B15 3TF (flats 1–9 and 52–87) | Maple Bank is located in landscaped grounds at the top of the Vale village and consists of 87 flats. It provides accommodation for 435 students on both self-catering and meal plan options. Each flat has five study bedrooms, a shared kitchen/diner, bathroom and toilet facilities. Self-catering students can also use the catering facilities at The Hub on a pay as you eat basis. No car parking spaces. Indicative fee £3,259 self-catering (42 weeks) £4,563 meal plan (42 weeks) |
| **Elgar Court**                  | The Vale, Church Road, Edgbaston B15 3SS     | Elgar Court consists of 40 self-catering flats offering accommodation for 236 students. Each flat has either five or six en-suite, single study bedrooms, a shared kitchen and dining area. Students can also use the catering facilities at The Hub on a pay as you eat basis. No car parking spaces. Indicative fee £5,067 self-catering (42 weeks). |
| **Tennis Court**                 | Edgbaston Park Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2RE (Flats 1–66)  
B15 2RF (Flats 67–102) B15 2RB (Flats 103–138) | The Tennis Court consists of 138 flats on landscaped grounds opposite The Vale village offering both self-catering and meal plan options. A total of 697 students can be accommodated in flats ranging between four and six study bedrooms, each with shared kitchen, lounge, bathroom and toilet facilities. Self-catering students can also use the catering facilities at The Hub on a pay as you eat basis. Limited car parking spaces. Indicative fee from £4,253 self-catering (42 weeks) £5,571 meal plan (42 weeks). |
| **Aitken**                       | Church Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 3SZ   | Aitken consists of 23 flats located on The Vale offering self-catering accommodation. A total of 147 students can be accommodated in single study bedrooms, with wash hand basin in the bedroom, with shared kitchen/dining rooms, bathrooms and toilet facilities. No car parking spaces. Indicative fee £4,695 (50 weeks). |
| **Chelwood**                     | Church Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 3SZ   | Chelwood is a small residence located at the top of the Vale village and consists of 50 en-suite rooms, with shared kitchen facilities. Accommodation will be provided on a meal plan option with cleaning of the communal areas Monday to Friday. No car parking spaces. Indicative fee £6,812 (42 weeks). |
Mason is located in landscaped grounds at the south of The Vale village. It provides new accommodation for 840 students in shared flats, with each bedroom having en-suite facilities, self-catering or meal plan options, which also have kitchen/lounge areas. This accommodation is for undergraduates only. In addition, there are a small number of studio apartments for postgraduate or undergraduate students. No car parking spaces. Indicative fee £5,378 self-catering, £6,683 meal plan (42 weeks) and from £8,817 for a standard apartment (42 weeks) self-catering to £11,265 for a large apartment (50 weeks) self-catering.

Other information

Offers of University accommodation are sent out (by email where possible) following the announcement of A Level results. Applicants who have gained the necessary grades to enter University, and are eligible under the guarantee scheme, will receive accommodation details 10–14 days after receiving their results. Clearing, Insurance and late applicants should still apply but their application may take longer than the 10–14 days after A’ level results to process.

Learn more
For further information regarding accommodation please view www.accommodation.bham.ac.uk

General enquiries
On campus accommodation email ugradaccom@bham.ac.uk for undergraduates or pgradaccom@bham.ac.uk for postgraduates.
Tel 0121 414 8000
Fax 0121 415 8501

For University owned/managed accommodation email unimanagedaccom@contacts.bham.ac.uk
Tel 0121 414 8000

For private landlord accommodation email Birminghamstudentpad@contacts.bham.ac.uk
Tel 0121 414 8000
Fax 0121 415 8501

University owned properties in the private sector

The University owns a small number of properties in Selly Oak. An application form can be obtained by contacting unimanagedaccom@contacts.bham.ac.uk

The three, four and five bedroom houses for postgraduate and undergraduate students have rent starting from £58 per week for a 50 week contract. The rent includes water rates and basic contents insurance but other bills such as heating and lighting are extra. Internet access is available in each property at an extra cost and the student must contact the service provider. Most properties are in close proximity to the University. A deposit is required.

Private sector accommodation

Some first year students may not be eligible for University accommodation under the Fresher’s Guarantee Scheme and some choose to live off-campus in private rooms. Accommodation Services will help students to find suitable private sector housing for their 1st and subsequent years. This includes accommodation for couples or students with children/families. Accommodation Services maintains lists of various types of accommodation including rooms with a resident landlord.

Average rents:
Single room (flat share) £55–£70 per week
Three bedroom house for a family £126–£161 per week (bills extra). Self-catering room (sharing kitchen with owner) £65 per week

The contact number for private sector enquiries is 0121 414 8000 or visit www.birminghamstudentpad.co.uk
Privately owned accommodation – third party nomination agreements

In order to maintain the Fresher’s Guarantee Scheme the University has entered into agreements with private providers, such as Liberty Living and Victoria Hall to supplement our own stock. These bed spaces form part of the Fresher’s Guarantee Scheme and you may be allocated one of these rooms in your first year.

These providers work very closely with the University to ensure that the cost and range of facilities and support provided is similar to what you would get living in University accommodation.

Accommodation Services will manage your application and allocation but you will receive your offer of accommodation which will include a contract from the private provider.

The accommodation has good commuter links with the campus and city. A shuttle bus service runs between campus and some of these sites.

Student Mentor Scheme

Mentors are fellow students giving you support throughout your stay at University. The mentors work as part of a team and therefore someone is on call every night should you need their help. A student mentor will visit every couple of weeks bringing lots of useful information.

Ask4

We understand that you require a great broadband connection and Ask4 provide an 8mb reliable and secure service to your room free of charge. With unlimited downloads perfect for web browsing and emails. You are able to upgrade to an enhanced package, prices available on www.ask4.com

Uni-Tel

The University provides a direct dial telephone in each study bedroom. These phones offer free calling between rooms, sites and the campus. We have partnered with a provider, Uni-Tel to offer very competitive rates for calls from these phones. For more details see www.unitel.co.uk

The information contained in this brochure was correct at the time of print. Services may have subsequently been added or withdrawn so you are strongly advised to contact Accommodation Services on 0121 414 8000 or visit our website www.accommodation.bham.ac.uk for up to date information about the facilities and services we have on offer and the current fee levels.
Universities UUK Code of Practice

The University of Birmingham played an active role in the consultation exercise for the draft UUK Code of Practice. We fully support the principles of the Code for the provision and management of our student residences and signed up to the UUK Code in December 2005.

It is intended that the Code establishes a set of standards and undertakings about our management practices and the relationship between the University of Birmingham and customers throughout their stay with us. It covers, among other matters, health and safety, maintenance and repair, and relationships between managers and you, our student tenant.

All University-owned student residences comply with the regulations set by the Universities (UUK) Code of Practice for the Management of Student Housing. This Code ensures that residents benefit from clear policies and procedures.

For more information on the Code of Practice and how this applies to accommodation at the University of Birmingham please go to www.has.bham.ac.uk/studentaccom/uuk/

Midland Landlord Accreditation Scheme (MLAS)

The Midland Landlord Accreditation Scheme (MLAS) aims to accredit good landlords and provide them with the knowledge they require to maintain their properties to an acceptable standard.

Benefits for students include assurance that they are dealing with a competent landlord who is recognised as accredited and will manage the tenancy to a high standard. You will have access to better quality accommodation and a complaints procedure to help resolve any problems.

A list of accredited landlords can be found on www.mlas-online.co.uk

Environment and Sustainability

‘The University of Birmingham will aim to manage its operations in ways that are environmentally sustainable, economically feasible and socially responsible. Therefore, this policy represents an important component of the University’s broader sustainability strategy’ (extract from University of Birmingham Environmental Policy, UEP/0/07)

Student Accommodation is committed to managing its operations in this way on the student villages. We work closely with students to raise awareness and empower them to help reduce our impact on the local environment.

Switchoff

Student Accommodation is committed to reducing energy usage within its residences where this is possible and residents are asked to work with us to reduce their energy consumption when they live in our accommodation. Please go to www.studentswitchoff.co.uk for further information about the scheme.