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ACCOMMODATION

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

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<th>Essential living costs*</th>
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Weekly total £185 £210
Annual total £7,770 £8,820

*approximate costs at the time of printing (2020)

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

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

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The University’s International Student Team (IST) and the Study and Abroad 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 volunteers and other students. Visit: www.guildofstudents.com/support/guidance/global-buddies

**Exchange Society** – This society is run by students who 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:

- 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 £55 million Sport & Fitness Centre including a 50M swimming pool, 200 station gym, up to 200 classes per week, squash courts, an iconic £55 million Sport & Fitness Centre, and 250 societies, community volunteering groups and associations, collectively known as student groups – all for you to join.

**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 Student Support/ASC website: www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/support/asc.aspx

**STUDENT SUPPORT, SOCIETIES AND SPORT**

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 Mangana collection of ancient manuscripts: www.barber.org.uk

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