*MA Events, Festivals and Exhibition Management
Birmingham School of Media*

## **Additional costs for this course**

We have provided you with a breakdown of the essential costs and the optional costs which are dependent on your budget.

Please note that your marks are not a reflection of how much you spend, so a student who spends less than the estimated costs won’t be marked down, compared to a student who spends more.

### **Materials for technical modules**

Whilst on the course you’ll be able to submit all assignments online, therefore reducing the cost of printing. The cost of materials is not included on the course, but we tend to find that students spend about £125 on materials such as travelling for their project(s) during the course, and any other additional materials related to events/exhibition.

### **Equipment and consumables**

Most equipment you’ll need to complete the course is provided by the university and the Hires & Loans department within the School.

For security purposes we advise you to take out some sort of insurance to cover equipment, for example if you choose to purchase your own camera – budget about £75 per year for this.

### **Books**

Most books needed whilst studying the course are available in the university library.

## **Laptops and Software**

It is not essential for you to purchase your own laptop (PC or Mac), as you can also borrow a laptop from the university or use one of our shared computer rooms. Laptops may be borrowed for free for up to six hours and may be found at the following locations: Curzon building, Millennium Point, Parkside building, the School of Jewellery and Margaret Street (Birmingham School of Art). Most students do prefer to have their own laptops, and we suggest you allow about £300 to £1,200 for this, dependent on your preferences and budget. Apple also offer a discount on laptops for UK students: [go to Apple for Education for more details](http://www.apple.com/uk_edu_5000618/shop).

You’ll also be provided with a free account for [Lynda.com](http://www.lynda.com/) worth £227.40.

Microsoft Office 365 and 1TB of OneDrive cloud storage space is provided free to all students.

**Field trips**

The school organises visits to the [National Exhibition Centre](http://www.thenec.co.uk/) (NEC Birmingham) which are paid for by the school and the NEC.

We encourage you to attend as many events as you can and are happy to offer a guide on events you can attend.