# *PG Diploma In Architectural Practice (RIBA Part 3) Birmingham School of Architecture and Design*

## **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.

### **Books**

Most of the required publications are available either as e-books or hard copy via the University library. However, the following books are recommended for purchase:

• Part 3 Handbook - third edition

[Stephen Brookhouse](http://www.ribabookshops.com/search/Stephen+Brookhouse/)  [RIBA Publishing](http://www.ribabookshops.com/published-by/riba-publishing/199/) Nov 2011 ISBN: 978-1859465691

## **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 may require a computer (PC or Mac), capable of running Adobe Creative Suite.

We recommend [a student subscription to Adobe Creative Cloud for these applications](http://www.adobe.com/uk/creativecloud/buy/students.html#close), along with [Google Earth](https://www.google.co.uk/intl/en_uk/earth/) (free). The above are also available on campus within the computer suites.

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.

### **Printing**

Our on-campus print shop can produce high-quality prints for your portfolio, assignments and dissertation on an at-cost basis.

Most submissions are required a digital only version via Moodle. However, two hard copies are required for each of the following in addition to the online submission:

• Records of Experience

• Case Study

In previous years, students have budgeted up to £50 for printing.

### **Optional – Subscriptions**

Student membership of the RIBA is advised although not essential – student membership is free.