

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE NEW UNIVERSITY

# BA (Hons) Graphic Design Additional Course Costs

There are costs associated with all studies, additional to the tuition fee, which require consideration, when planning and budgeting for expenditure. Costs are indicative and for the total length of the course shown unless otherwise stated and will increase with inflation; depending on the programme they may include equipment, printing, project materials, study trips, placement activities, DBS and/or other security checks.

Additional course costs for BA (Hons) Graphic Design are outlined below:

# **Books and other Texts**

Students will be required to purchase texts and journals to support their study programme. The minimum, average cost of books for students studying on a degree course is assumed as £100 per year.

# Printing

We recommend a minimum budget of £60 per year for basic printing/photocopying costs. Additionally, there may be additional costs associated with photographic or portfolio printing which can range from £80-100 per year. Costs are estimated and are entirely dependent on individual choice of presentation, paper stock, size etc.

# **Equipment/Materials**

BNU will provide the tools, materials, consumables for all demonstrations and students' orientation in relation to products. Any materials required beyond the demo stage (e.g. for coursework or projects) will need to be covered by the student; these costs can vary depending on what materials are required (see project costs below). Students will have to acquire their hand and digital tools and creative equipment and materials including sketchbooks and a portfolio which can cost a maximum of £400. Some parts of this creative equipment will last several years and be used in every practice within and outside the programme.

BNU will also produce a price list for printing material, stationery, workshop materials among other small expenses which students can independently purchase for project work.

Although the university has desktop Mac computers and all the professional standard software some students may also wish to purchase their own Apple Mac laptop and digital associated equipment such as a memory stick and storage device which can cost approximately £1000-1300. If students do have their own laptop they may also wish to purchase an Adobe software subscription to use digital applications such as InDesign, Photoshop and Illustrator which is approximately £312 a year.

#### **Study Trips**

Compulsory study tours and trips within the UK will cost between £100 and £200 per year with optional overseas trips estimated at between £350 and £1000.

# In year or end of year exhibitions and projects

This course requires a degree exhibition and major projects so additional costs will be incurred. These costs can be discussed in detail with your course team and some will be linked to a professional skills element of the course where organised fundraising for such activities may be included. Materials costs for this will vary depending on scale and selection and could be between £200 - £800. Final year competition project entries are around £35 per entry.

# Graduation

Graduation costs per student are estimated at £100 - £200 total. This is an optional cost for all students, as attending graduation is not a requirement in order to have a degree conferred.

# **Opportunity Modules**

You can choose from a range of modules on offer, and these may incur a small cost, for example, for materials or travel to locations or work-based learning experiences. They will range from one module to another – please check the module information or ask your course team for details.