Introduction

There are a number of extra costs arising from your University studies that you will need to allow for when planning your budget. Some are common to all courses of study; these include the cost of study texts and reference books, as well as charges for items like photocopying and computer supplies. Others relate to the specific course you study and include field trips, materials and specialist equipment.

Any figures quoted in this document are based on current prices and are for guidance only. The exact amounts will depend on your particular choice of course and study options, and your individual use of those facilities and materials for which additional costs apply.

The list starts with a general statement applicable to all courses and is then ordered alphabetically to indicate the broad area of study for which charges may apply. It is not a list of specific courses. You should contact the relevant University school or department direct if you have specific queries relating to a particular course. Department and School details are in the ‘Key facts’ box on every course page of our website.

All Courses

Undergraduate study requires extensive reading and access to reference works. The University Library has copies of recommended texts and suggested reading but you may wish to purchase texts for your own use. The average price of a recommended text is in the region of £50 - £60. You may be studying up to 6 units a year, each with a standard recommended text. You may be able to buy some books second-hand which could help you reduce this cost, although you should make sure the copy you buy is up to date in terms of key information for your course.

There will be some general costs arising from your studies that you will be expected to pay. These are common to most courses and relate to items such as:

- photocopying charges
- memory sticks
- writeable DVDs and CDs
- computer printing charges
- binding and specialist printing requirements

The charges for these facilities are relatively modest and the costs you incur will depend on how much you use them. Precise details will be made available when you register but you should budget for at least £75 per annum.

Many courses from time to time involve visits away from the University campus. These vary from day trips to places of relevance and interest that may be local or further afield, to residential field trips that may even involve travel abroad. You may be required to make some contribution to the costs of travel and accommodation and to the subsistence element of such visits and trips whether these are compulsory or optional parts of the course.

In the final year of a course it is often the case that you will be required to complete a major project and this may incur additional expenditure such as transport and accommodation costs related to research activities. The nature and extent of such costs will depend on the project you choose to develop.

Courses which involve placements, (for example, health-based courses, social work, childhood and youth, early childhood studies) will normally require you to pay for the travelling costs arising from attending each day of the placement. If you have an NHS bursary you may be able to claim additional travelling expenses.
**Architecture**

Students in the School of Architecture incur additional costs because of the nature of the subject. There are costs relating to the purchase of drawing equipment, model making, stationery, reprographic requirements and the production of a portfolio. The School supports digital review of some project assessment work to reduce costs for you, and a digital camera is very useful; the Faculty does operate a lending service.

Each year a variety of optional study trips abroad are offered for which you are expected to pay the full cost, and a local low cost alternative is usually included. In the final year of study an optional studio may be offered which has a study trip associated with it, you are required to meet this cost if you choose the studio. The School provides funds for visits to project sites in the UK in support of core studies.

Where there is the necessity for a compulsory induction into resources such as workshops, materials will be provided free of charge for the purpose of completing the induction. Materials will be distributed during the induction sessions by the technician or academic leading the session.

The Faculty of Creative and Cultural Industries, has the facility to lend equipment to you for short periods, such as drawing boards and digital cameras. Equipment may be borrowed from the Faculty Loan Store subject to availability and acceptance of conditions of use.

**Art and Design**

Students in the School of Art and Design will incur additional costs because of the nature of the work in the subject area. No specific figures can be given for the material costs because they vary according to the nature of the individual project work undertaken and the individual choices you make. The University supplies all students with a free printing allowance. You are likely to incur additional printing costs for portfolio work.

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Any study trips that are offered are optional, but those taking them up would be expected to pay full costs.

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**Biological Sciences**

Students in the School of Biological Science are not expected to contribute to the cost of travel or accommodation associated with compulsory fieldwork, but you will be expected to pay for all meals and other subsistence costs.

There are two optional diving skills units available for the Marine Biology pathway.

- If you have not dived before, the Scientific and Technical Diving A unit consists of a PADI Open Water course, Dry Suit course, combined with the Scientific and Technical Diving
course, and has additional costs in the region of £780.

- If you already hold a PADI Open Water certificate (or equivalent), the Scientific and Technical Diving B unit consists of a advanced diving course (e.g. PADI Advanced Open Water), Dry Suit course, combined with the Scientific and Technical Diving course, and has additional costs in the region of £690 to cover tuition, transport and diving costs.

**Civil Engineering and Surveying**

Students in the School of Civil Engineering and Surveying are provided with hard hats and Hi-Vis vests. However, you will need to buy safety boots costing approximately £35.

There is an optional residential field trip in year 2 for BEng (Hons) / MEng Civil Engineering and BEng (Hons) Construction Engineering Management for which a contribution of approximately £230 is required.

There is an optional International field trip in year 2 for BSc (Hons) Property Development and BSc (Hons) Quality Surveying for which a contribution of approximately £500 is required.

There are two optional Diving and Underwater Engineering units in year 2 for BEng (Hons) / MEng Civil Engineering and BEng (Hons) Construction Engineering Management for which a contribution of approximately £740/£800 is required.

**Creative Technologies**

Students on some courses in the School of Creative Technologies might be required to spend £50 - £100 per annum on drawing and modeling materials, CDs, DVDs and investment for student enterprise units (approximately £20). For one optional unit you are expected to have access to a digital camera.

There are two optional diving skills units available for some Creative Technologies courses.

- If you have not dived before, the Underwater Filming and Media unit consists of a PADI Open Water course, combined with the Underwater Filming and Media course, and has additional costs in the region of £700.

- If you already hold a PADI Open Water certificate (or equivalent), the Underwater Filming and Media B unit consists of a further diving course (e.g. PADI Advanced Open Water), combined with the Underwater Filming and Media Course, and has additional costs in the region of £700 to cover tuition, transport and diving costs.

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**Dentistry**

Students undertaking the BSc (Hons) Dental Hygiene and Dental Therapy and the CertHe Dental Nursing courses are required to pay a deposit of £30 for the use of a model skull and an
additional cost will be incurred if the skull is not returned.

Locker keys require a deposit of £10.

You will receive an initial three sets of scrubs (clinical clothing) at no cost to you at the start of your course. If you wish to purchase extra sets of scrubs the cost will be paid by you and is £8 a set or £4 individually (i.e. one pair of trousers or one top). You are required to source and buy a black pair of clinical shoes once the clinical component of the award commences.

During the second and third years of the Dental Hygiene and Dental Therapy course, you are able to attend a national conference; this would be arranged and paid for by you. In the final year of the course you are required to print case presentations and this will come out of your personal printing account.

Students studying within the University of Portsmouth Dental Academy (UPDA) are expected to attend a variety of outreach locations in order to support your study. Although students on NHS bursaries are reimbursed for any potential travelling costs incurred, initial outlay is your responsibility; however costs are unlikely to surpass £50.

**Earth and Environmental Sciences**

Students in the School of Earth and Environmental Sciences are not expected to contribute to the cost of travel or accommodation associated with compulsory fieldwork, with the exception of the:

- travel to/from the mapping training field-course for Geology, Palaeontology, Engineering Geology and Geotechnics, and Geological Hazards, which takes place at locations within the UK in the summer between Levels 4 and 5 of study
- compulsory project work that is normally completed over the summer between Levels 5 and 6 of study

You will be expected to pay for all meals and other subsistence costs associated with compulsory fieldwork.

For optional programmes of fieldwork you will be expected to pay the full costs (i.e. travel, accommodation, meals and other subsistence).

There are two optional diving skills units available for the Environmental Science Programme.

- If you have not dived before, the Scientific and Technical Diving A unit consists of a PADI Open Water course, Dry Suit course, combined with the Scientific and Technical Diving course, and has additional costs in the region of £780.
- If you already hold a PADI Open Water certificate (or equivalent), the Scientific and Technical Diving B unit consists of an advanced diving course (e.g. PADI Advanced Open Water), Dry Suit course, combined with the Scientific and Technical Diving course, and has additional costs in the region of £690 to cover tuition, transport and diving costs.

All students will be expected to buy field equipment (e.g. compass clinometers, hammer, hand lens, notebook) at the start of the first year of study. These costs are as follows:

- Geology, Palaeontology, Geological Hazards, Engineering Geology and Geotechnics courses: £100
- Environmental Sciences, Marine Environmental Sciences courses: £35
Additional Costs and Charges in 2015-2016 (As apply to full-time and sandwich undergraduate students)

**Engineering**

Students undertaking Product Design courses will incur occasional trips to London for which you will be asked to contribute up to £25 a trip.

Students undertaking the Petroleum Engineering course will experience visits to a refinery and wellheads etc. for which you will be asked to contribute up to £25 a trip (1 trip in year 1, 2 in year 2, and 2 in year 3).

**European Business**

Students on the BA (Hons) European Business are expected to pay all additional costs for the study abroad period and/or overseas placement.

**Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences**

Students may incur travel costs for placements undertaken during their course.

**Geography**

Students in the Department of Geography are not expected to contribute to the cost of travel or accommodation associated with compulsory fieldwork, but you will be expected to pay for all meals and other subsistence costs.

In the final year of all Geography degree pathways, you may choose optional units which have field trips associated with them. The cost of these field trips vary between £300-£2000. You are required to meet this cost if you choose one of more of these units. Other non-fieldwork based options are available.

**Healthcare Science**

Placements form an integral part of the Healthcare Science course and you will be expected to pay for the travel costs to and from placement, although Healthcare Science students’ placement travel costs are currently reimbursed.

Healthcare Science students will be issued with safety equipment and audience response handsets for no charge at the start of the programme but you will be liable for a fee of £100 if these are not returned in good condition at the end of the course.

**Health-related courses**

Many courses, including Operating Department Practice, Paramedic Science and Speech Language and Communication Science, incorporate placements, many of which are in Health Service environments. These placements form an integral part of the courses, and you will be expected to pay for the travel costs to and from placement.

For Operating Department Practice and Paramedic Science students, initial uniform is provided free of charge; however, any additional uniform or replacement uniform will need to be paid for by you.

**Hospitality Management**

Students will receive a contribution of £100 towards the uniform required for work in the hotel and catering industry. You will be required to pay any additional cost of the uniform.
International Business

Students on the BA (Hons) International Business course are expected to pay all additional costs for the study abroad period and/or overseas placement.

Journalism

Students who have to repeat examinations in order to gain professional accreditation will be expected to contribute to the costs of these repeat examinations.

Languages and Area Studies

You will have to meet all travel costs associated with any Placement Abroad period that is undertaken in countries outside the EU/EEA region.

You will have to meet any additional tuition costs for units of study that are taken outside of your agreed study abroad programme.

Students on BA (Hons) Applied Languages and BA (Hons) English Language can take the Trinity College London Certificate in TESOL as an additional unit for £308. This does not contribute towards the credits for the degree.

The English Standard Board Community Development Certification, at a cost of £200 for the mentoring required, is available as an option on:

- BA (Hons) International Development Studies
- BA (Hons) International Development Studies and/with Languages
- BA (Hons) International Relations and/with Languages

Learning At Work – Partnership Programme

Where applicable, students who take taught units and are assessed by examination will need to cover the costs of attending exam(s) at an agreed approved location elsewhere. This may include travel, invigilation, courier etc.

Media and Performing Arts

Students in the School of Media and Performing Arts may incur additional costs for items such as DVDs and MiniDV tapes for use on practical units.

Students studying Drama and Performance or Musical Theatre are likely to incur costs for their performance work and other practice-based units.

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Pharmacy and Biomedical Sciences

Placements form an integral part of Pharmacy and Healthcare Science courses and you will be expected to pay for the travel costs to and from placement. Healthcare Science students’ placement travel costs are currently reimbursed.

Pharmacy, Biomedical Sciences, Healthcare Science and Pharmacology students will be issued with safety equipment and audience response handsets for no charge at the start of the programme but you will be liable for a fee of £100 if these are not returned in good condition at the end of the course.

Psychology

Students may incur travel costs for placements undertaken during their course. Work placements are optional.

Radiography

Students undertaking the BSc (Hons) Radiography courses have to meet the costs of accommodation and travel associated with clinical placements. The NHS may meet some of the costs incurred.

You will also be expected to wear suitable footwear for placements, this cost will be met by you. You will receive an initial set of uniforms comprising four tops and two pairs of trousers at no cost at the start of the award.

Social Work

Students undertaking Social Work courses are expected to meet the cost of travel associated with their mandatory placements.

Sport and Exercise Science

Students are not expected to contribute to the cost of travel or accommodation associated with compulsory fieldwork, but you will be expected to pay for all meals and other subsistence costs. You will be expected to pay the costs of optional programmes of fieldwork.

Students studying a placement unit as part of their course are expected to meet the cost of travel associated with their placements.

Students undertaking BSc (Hons) Exercise and Fitness Management will be expected to pay a contribution of £200 for the first two years of the course, to cover the costs of professional qualifications, should you wish to take them.