

CITY GUIDE TO BIRMINGHAM



Why Birmingham?

Birmingham is Britain's second largest city and more than 200 years ago, Birmingham was the birthplace of the industrial revolution. Birmingham is known for its great food with five Michelin starred restaurants - more than anywhere else outside of London! You can spend your days walking around Birmingham's beautiful canal network where you can find hidden gems around the city. If you like your music, then you're in luck as Birmingham has many wonderful independent music venues where you can attend regular concerts and gigs. There is so much to do in the city of Birmingham from a day of shopping, visiting the museums, and watching some great sport.



Our Campus:

Our Birmingham campus has a great location on Colmore Row, Birmingham's business district. Our campus is close to the main train station. New Street or Snow Hill.

Louisa Ryland House, 44 Newhall Street, Birmingham, B3 3PL

We have excellent teaching facilities and an experienced faculty that compliments our cosy, intimate campus that is geared towards learning and employment.

Transport

Trams (Metrolink)

Birmingham has a tram network that can link you to Wolverhampton, Birmingham, Dudley, Brierley Hill, Digbeth, North Solihull, Birmingham Airport. The closest stop to the campus is New Street westmidlandsmetro.com

Top Tips:

- · Network West Midlands: Obtain a letter from student services of proof as a student to get cheaper term pass via nxbus app.
- · Gain a 16-25 OR 26-30 Railcard. For £30 save 1/3 on most rail fares to travel across Britain for a year.

Buses

Birmingham has a great bus network that can get you around Birmingham www.tfwm.org.uk

Trains

New Street Station is less than a 5-minute walk away from the campus. There are many shops and food outlets located in and around the station. Station Street, Birmingham, B2 4QA

Moor Street Station is less than 10 minutes away from campus, located behind the Bullring. Moor Street, Holloway Circus, Birmingham, B47UL

Snow Hill station can be found on the historic Colmore Row. You can reach campus in around 10 minutes from this station. 7 Colmore Row, Birmingham, B3 2BJ

Coach

Birmingham Coach Station can be found in Digbeth and offers options for travel around the UK. Mill Lane, Birmingham, B5 6DD

Taxis

Bolt (mobile app in app store)



Uber (mobile app in app store)



Seven Sevens Taxi Service tel: 0121 777 7777



Healthcare

NHS

Find a GP and a dentist to register with at www.nhs.uk

Walk-in Centres

- Birmingham Medical Centre: 213 Broad Street, B1 2DS
- Bath Row Medical Practice: 1st Floor, 30 Bath Row, Attwood Green Health Centre, B15 1LZ
- Broadway Health Centre: Cope Street, B18 7BABoots Sexual Health: Umbrella Service, 66 High Street, B4 7TA

Additional helpful information

- 999: emergency help (ambulance, police & fire brigade)

- 112: emergency number for mobiles anywhere in the world

What3Words

Download the app to give your exact location to emergency services

Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)

Citizens Advice provides free, independent, confidential, and impartial advice to everyone on their rights and responsibilities. www. citizensadvice.org.uk

Gyms

The Gym, City Centre

You can find this gym situated next to Primark in the City Centre. 79-84 High Street, Birmingham, B4 7TE www.thegymgroup.com

Pure Gym, Arcadian Centre

Chaplin Court, 80 Hurst Street, Birmingham, B5 4TD www.puregym.com



Entertainment

Cineworld

Watch the latest movies and treat yourself to some popcorn. 181 Broad Street, Birmingham, B15 1DA. **www.cineworld.co.uk**

Alexander Theatre

Based behind the campus book to see theatre shows and other events. Suffolk Street, Queensway, B5 4DS. **www.atgtickets.com**

Hippodrome

You can watch great shows and theatre performances here, only a 10-minute walk from campus. Hurst Street, Southside, B5 4TB **www.birminghamhippodrome.com**

Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery

Get immersed in art and culture 10 minutes away from campus based near the town hall. Chamberlain Square, B3 3DH **www.birminghammuseums.org.uk**

Birmingham Library

The Library of Birmingham provides business and learning support and houses unique collections such as the Shakespeare Library within Archives and Collections. Centenary Square, Broad Street, B1 2EA www.birmingham.spydus.co.uk

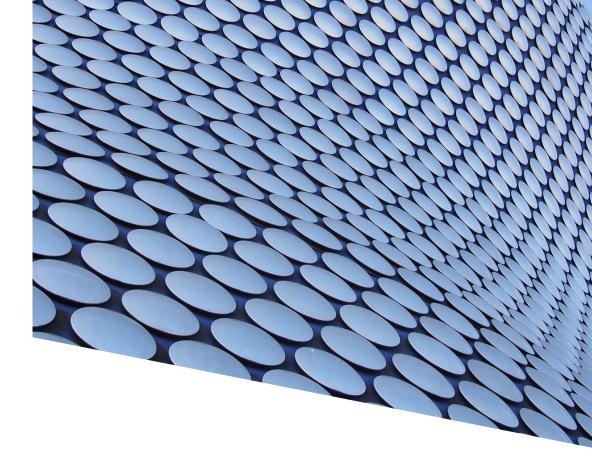
The Barber Institute of Fine Arts

Visit this stunning art deco building home to an art gallery and concert hall. University of Birmingham, B15 2TS **www.barber.org.uk**

Roundhouse Birmingham

At the Roundhouse they offer canal-based kayaking, city walking tours and boat trips. The Roundhouse, 1 Sheepcote Street, B16 8AE **roundhousebirmingham.org.uk**





Parks

Pigeon Park

Only a few minutes from campus this park has plenty of space to relax. Cathedral Square, Colmore Row, B3 2OB.

Eastside City Park

Covering almost 4 acres this park has a range of facilities and is based near Birmingham City University, a 10-minute walk away from campus. Curzon Street, Digbeth, B4 7AP

Cannon Hill Park

Well worth the 15-minute drive from campus, this park is a fantastic place to start a new adventure, from outdoor sports, games and rides, to shows and exhibitions. Russell Road, Moseley, B13 8RD **www.cannonhillpark.co.uk**

Student Discount Information



UNIDAYS - Fast, free, exclusive discounts for students **www.myunidays.com**



TOTUM - The #1 UK Student Discount Card and App www.totum.com



Student Beans - Free Student Discounts www.studentbeans.com

Culture Shock

We know it can be scary coming to a new country or city to live, especially when you have to learn to adapt to a new or different culture and way of living. Culture shock may be experienced from the way people speak and behave, their values and beliefs, and even their clothes and food.

This is something which is completely normal to experience but sometimes it can be hard to adjust. It is important to find things that are familiar for you whether that is an activity, sport, or food. You are not alone though and if you find yourself struggling to adapt, the Welfare Team are here to support you.

Contact

The Welfare Team on 0121 756 9578 or email: qahe.welfare@qa.com

We have more information and a range of useful guides on our website: **qahighereducation.com/welfare**