

ARCHITECTURE AT FALMOUTH

WELCOME TO BA(HONS) ARCHITECTURE AT FALMOUTH.

We are looking forward to you joining this great new course and generation of architects.

Your offer

Please remember that if you have been made a conditional offer to study at Falmouth, your place is subject to meeting those conditions. Conditional means that we are waiting to receive your results, or some more information, before your place is finalised. You can see any conditions in [UCAS Track](#). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Admissions team on 01326 213730 or email admissions@falmouth.ac.uk.

First week of term

Your first day of attendance will be **Monday 12 September 2016**. Please report to **Falmouth Campus Reception at 10am**. You will be directed to your first meeting in the Studio in Kathmor House where you will meet staff, student mentors and your first year colleagues.

You can download a copy of the [Falmouth Campus map](#) from the Contact page of our website [here](#).

Your first week at Falmouth will be an induction and orientation week. You will also be given course outlines and timetables. There will be important inductions for both the Architecture course and the wider University, in addition to a number of social activities.

MyTimetable

<https://mytimetable.falmouth.ac.uk/> available from 1 September 2016

This is the link to MyTimetable, your online academic calendar which shows all scheduled learning activities and your course timetable. It will be available from 1 September 2016, however, timetables can be subject to change. To keep up to date, we recommend that you export the feed to your chosen device (mobile, tablet, laptop or desktop). An induction will be offered on the use of MyTimetable during freshers' week. Students will have access to their individual student timetables, where appropriate, once they have completed their online enrolment and IT induction.

Pre-course preparation

Materials and equipment list and costs

Essential

You will need the following items for the start of the course:

- A5 and A3 sketchbooks RRP £5-£10.
- Drawing tools – 0.3mm, 0.5mm, 0.9mm auto-pencils, and a variety of pens, a putty rubber RRP £7.
- Laptop – It doesn't matter which platform (Apple or Windows, though a Mac can run Windows software through Boot Camp). It should have 16GB RAM, a large 250GB plus

hard drive and be light enough for you to carry. Buy as fast a processor as you can afford.

- A backup external hard drive.
- Outdoor clothing and footwear for field trips and visits (also for general life, and this is Cornwall - we do have fantastic sunshine, but it can rain!)
- A 5m or 8m tape measure RRP £8.
- Masking tape of varying widths RRP £5.
- A decent waterproof bag for lumping this kit around (did I say it rains?)
- Swann Morton Retractable Safety Scalpel and 10a or 11a blades (nothing else does the job) RRP £6.
- Plasters RRP £2.
- 300mm Metal safety ruler ('W' section) RRP £10.
- 300mm Adjustable set square RRP £10.
- Architectural Scale Rule (1:1,1:5,1:10,1:20,1:50,1:100,1:200...) RRP £20.

A sensible budget for the above items is approximately £1400 including the laptop and external drive.

Tuition fees (per year)

2016-17 full-time UK/EU: £9,000

2016-17 full-time International: £15,000

During your course

Materials and equipment list and costs

Essential

There will be some on-going expenses as the course progresses, particularly paper and other consumable materials, so budget for some expenditure each week. I would allow £150 to purchase additional materials and equipment if possible, over the year.

There will also be costs throughout the course in purchasing material for making models. It would be sensible to allow approximately £300 per academic year for these types of materials.

Reading list and costs

Essential

- Ching, F., *Architectural graphics*. RRP £20.
- Curtis, W., *Modern architecture since 1900*. RRP £22.

Optional

It would also be useful to check out a few architecture websites and blogs:

- www.dezeen.com
- www.architectsjournal.co.uk
- www.buildingdesign.co.uk

Also, if you are in London, I would visit the RIBA bookshop at 66 Portland Place. It is very dangerous as, if you are like me, you end up buying far too many books, but it is really good for you to build up a wish list and see all key architectural references before you buy.

Study trips and costs

Optional

We are planning one study trip during the 2016-17 academic year. Please can you budget for this, as the cost could be in the region of £400.

There is a second study trip during the 2017-18 academic year. Again, please budget for this, as the cost could be in the region of £400.

Enrolment and Student Terms & Conditions

You will receive an email two weeks prior to the start of term with details of how to enrol online. All students must enrol online before the first day of term in order to be officially registered as a student of Falmouth University. If you plan to receive an undergraduate student loan, you must enrol to have your money released to you.

As part of your enrolment, you will be required to agree to and comply with the University's Student Terms & Conditions. These Terms & Conditions are important and we encourage you to read them carefully, prior to enrolling online. They can be found on our Regulations, Policies and Procedures web page under 'Student Terms & Conditions' [here](#).

During the coming weeks, you will be emailed important information for new students. If you will be away, please ask someone else to check your emails regularly and reply on your behalf. Please also email your name and mobile phone number to tom.ebdon@falmouth.ac.uk and we will keep you up to date by text message.

We know that there's a lot to do to prepare before the start of your course. If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to call our Admissions team for advice on 01326 213730 or email admissions@falmouth.ac.uk.

If you would like to download and print a copy of this email, please go to www.falmouth.ac.uk/new-students/welcome-letters.

We look forward to you joining us in September.

Yours sincerely

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