

BA (HONS) THEATRE PRACTICE (PRODUCTION LIGHTING, LIGHTING DESIGN)

ADDITIONAL COSTS

Students should be aware that there may be other costs in addition to their tuition fees. Some of the potential costs you may need to consider are provided in the table below, but please note that this is not an exhaustive list.

Item	Cost
Accommodation and living costs (The School does not provide its own accommodation but can offer advice and support about finding somewhere to live: https://www.cssd.ac.uk/content/accommodation-support).	Costs vary, but students can expect to pay between £150-£210 per week in rent (depending on location, accommodation/room type, and, in the case of halls of residence, whether they are catered). Students should additionally budget for a further £150-£190 in living costs per week (including utilities and phone/broadband bills, food, entertainment, and insurance). Information about managing your money and budgeting, and a guide to living costs in London, can be found here: https://www.cssd.ac.uk/Life-at-Central/Student-Support/managing-your-finances
Travel to and from Central	Costs vary depending on the form of transport and the distance travelled, though we recommend that students budget for approximately £30 per week.
Travel to and from offsite placements/ projects/ teaching sites	There may be periods in the academic year when teaching or project/placement activity takes place offsite. Costs vary depending on the form of transport and the distance travelled.

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<p>Equipment / Tools</p> <p>Students are expected to purchase the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Digital camera or similar• 8 Inch / 200mm adjustable spanner• Range of electrician's screwdrivers cross-head and slotted, insulated to 500 Volts for example the Stanley Mixed VDE Screwdriver Set• 5 M retractable tape measure and 30m cloth tape measure• Lockable tool box for the above, no bigger than 35cm x 35cm x 55cm (so it will fit in your locker)• Quad wrench with 19/21mm & 13/17mm heads• Wing-Nut or Wing-Bolt spanner• Scissors (mostly for cutting Gel)• Metric scale rule with 1:25 and 1:50 scales e.g. Linex 325• Notebooks, Pens & Pencils <p>Other equipment required later in the course:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Insulated wire cutters and wire strippers.• Electricians Meter or similar• Vectorworks Spotlight (Student edition)• Equipment such as specialist dmx and network tools, if your practice requires them (not everyone's does)• Lightwright (software)	<p>Costs vary dependent on your choice of model and supplier.</p>
<p>Clothing</p> <p>Students are expected to own the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safety working shoes or boots that can be worn all day;• Safety helmet, approved CE standard EN 397;• Protective gloves such as KF320 nitrile foam coated gloves red / black medium• Working clothes and 'show blacks' (long-sleeved top, trousers (no logos), and soft-soled shoes/boots;	<p>Costs vary dependent on your choice of model and supplier.</p>
<p>Professional body membership</p> <p>(It is recommended that you take student membership of the Association of Lighting Designers [ALD]).</p>	<p>£36 pa. (free for the first two years of study)</p>

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First year travel	Approximately £10
Second year scripts for speculative and realised Design Project(s)	£20
Second year travel to meet suppliers and for training	£20
Final Exhibition / Portfolio	Costs will vary depending on your project.
Text books (The School's library is well stocked with all the text books you should need, but you may prefer to buy your own).	Costs vary.
Computer / Laptop / Storage Devices / Software / Broadband A computer, preferably one running Microsoft Windows 10, and capable of running VectorWorks software in 3d mode, with a web-cam and microphone . (Windows rather than Mac, because most lighting desk and media server software runs on PC) Advised Minimum spec: 64-bit Intel Core i5 (or AMD equivalent) or better 8G of RAM and at least 100G of Hard Drive space available A good "gaming" graphics card with at least 2G VRAM	Costs vary dependent on your choice of model and supplier.
Printing / Photocopying (Students are given £1 at the beginning of their studies, but are otherwise expected to pay their own costs).	Current printing costs at Central: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A4 Black and White – 4p/sheet • A4 Colour – 15p/sheet • A3 Colour – 30p/sheet • Plotter Printing – 30p/sheet
Graduation costs (Graduation takes place in the December following the end of students' programme of study).	Approximately £55.00 for robe hire. Tickets for friends and family members cost approximately £20 each, although this price is reviewed on an annual basis. Graduating students are not required to pay for a ticket.