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# ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES

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# ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT

Regardless of course level, we advise that you have the following equipment ready for the start of your course

## BASS

- ✓ Bass and lead
- ✓ Tuner
- ✓ Metronome/Metronome app (Pro Metronome)
- ✓ Headphones and 1/4 jack input
- ✓ Stationery & manuscript paper
- ✓ Spare strings
- ✓ Ear plugs

## GUITAR

- ✓ Guitar and lead
- ✓ Tuner
- ✓ Metronome/Metronome app (Pro Metronome)
- ✓ Headphones and 1/4 jack input
- ✓ Stationery & manuscript paper
- ✓ Spare strings
- ✓ Ear plugs
- ✓ Capo
- ✓ Slide
- ✓ Various plectrums

## DRUMS

- ✓ Sticks – several good quality pairs (7A-2B weight), brushes (wire retractable), hot rods, mallets etc., all in a stick bag.
- ✓ Metronome – both a stand-alone one (such as a Korg MA30, Tama Rhythm Watch) and also iPhone apps (the Yamaha Clickstation app is a must).
- ✓ Practice pad – one that you can use on its own – possibly on a stand.
- ✓ Headphones and 1/4 jack input adapter – in ear monitor style (if possible) as well as over ear style – for click work, listening to music and using with the Roland electronic kits at BIMM.
- ✓ Stationery and manuscript paper – always – no excuses! Also have a 2B pencil, ruler, Berol 'italics' pen (medium) and a good quality eraser.
- ✓ Ear plugs

## VOCALS

- ✓ Microphone and lead
- ✓ Keyboard
- ✓ Stationery and manuscript paper
- ✓ Ear plugs

## SONGWRITING

- ✓ Microphone and lead
- ✓ Keyboard
- ✓ Stationery and manuscript paper
- ✓ Ear plugs

## MUSIC BUSINESS, EVENT MANAGEMENT AND MUSIC MARKETING, MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION

BIMM Institutes recommends students have:

- A laptop or iPad device with wireless capabilities for in-class research and other tasks.
- Dictaphone or recording app on your phone. We recommend the Olympus VN-731PC digital voice recorder

## MUSIC PRODUCTION ELECTRONIC & SOUND

- ✓ Computer
- ✓ Audio Interface
- ✓ DAW (Digital Audio Workstation)
- ✓ Midi controller