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University of  
**Kent**

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE

*2017*



# RANKED IN THE WORLD'S LEADI

for international outlook in the *Times Higher Education*  
(THE) World University Rankings 2015.

20<sup>TH</sup>

The University is ranked 20th, its highest ever position, in the *Times Higher Education* (THE) 'Table of Tables' 2016.

23<sup>RD</sup>

Kent is ranked 23rd in the UK in *The Guardian University Guide 2017*.

95%

More than 95% of Kent students who graduated in 2015 were in work or further study within six months.

# TOP 10% OF THE BEST UNIVERSITIES

37%

of our academic staff are from overseas and we have students representing 148 nationalities.

97%

of research at Kent was found to be of international quality in the **Research Excellence Framework 2014** (an independent national survey of UK universities).

5<sup>TH</sup>

Kent gained the 5th highest score for overall student satisfaction in the **2015 National Student Survey**.



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# WELCOME

Kent is a leading UK university. Ranked 23rd in *The Guardian University Guide 2017*, we also received the fifth highest score\* nationally for student satisfaction in the 2015 National Student Survey. We attract a large number of international students, thanks to our reputation for academic excellence and first-class research and teaching.

Based in beautiful locations in south-east England and continental Europe, we offer an attractive, friendly and safe environment for your studies.

\*of publicly funded, multi-faculty universities.

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# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Kent is one of the UK's leading universities. In the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014, Kent is ranked 17th\* for research intensity, outperforming 11 of the 24 Russell Group universities.

With 97% of our research judged to be of international quality, you study with some of the most influential thinkers in the world. Our teaching is designed to put you in touch with the latest ideas, assist you in the development of your own interests and equip you with the essential skills that enable you to compete effectively in the global job market.

\*of 122 universities, not including specialist institutions.







## / INSPIRATIONAL TEACHING

Kent is renowned for its teaching style; our academics have an outstanding ability to pass on their passion for study and debate. They are approachable, accessible and, by studying with them, you are intellectually challenged and encouraged to broaden your horizons.

Our high-quality teaching encourages you to think independently and adapt to different situations. This approach is enhanced by opportunities to attend talks and workshops in related fields. Our postgraduate students present their work at research seminars, participate in conferences and publish papers. In the 2015 National Student Survey, 88% of students were satisfied with the quality of Kent's teaching.



# SUPERB STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Our UK campuses and European centres provide stunning locations for your studies and offer first-class academic and social facilities.

We have a thriving arts programme with our own theatre, cinema and music performance centre. There is also a strong sporting culture at Kent and we have some of the best facilities in the university sector.

Our postgraduate students are supported by the Graduate School, which co-ordinates activities to encourage interdisciplinary dialogue and supports social events, conferences and workshops.

Whatever your interests, Kent has many societies to inspire and support you. These activities not only allow you to meet a wide range of people, but also enable you to develop essential employability skills, which will help you to excel in the workplace once you graduate.







## / A GLOBAL OUTLOOK

Kent is ranked in the top 10% of the world's universities for international outlook in the *Times Higher Education* (THE) University World Rankings 2015. We are known as the UK's European university and have partnerships with prestigious institutions worldwide.

At Kent, we pride ourselves on our strong international focus. Many of our programmes provide opportunities to study or work abroad, allowing you to develop a global perspective of your subject.

As a Kent student, you will be joining an international community – 37% of our academics come from outside the UK and our students represent 148 nationalities.



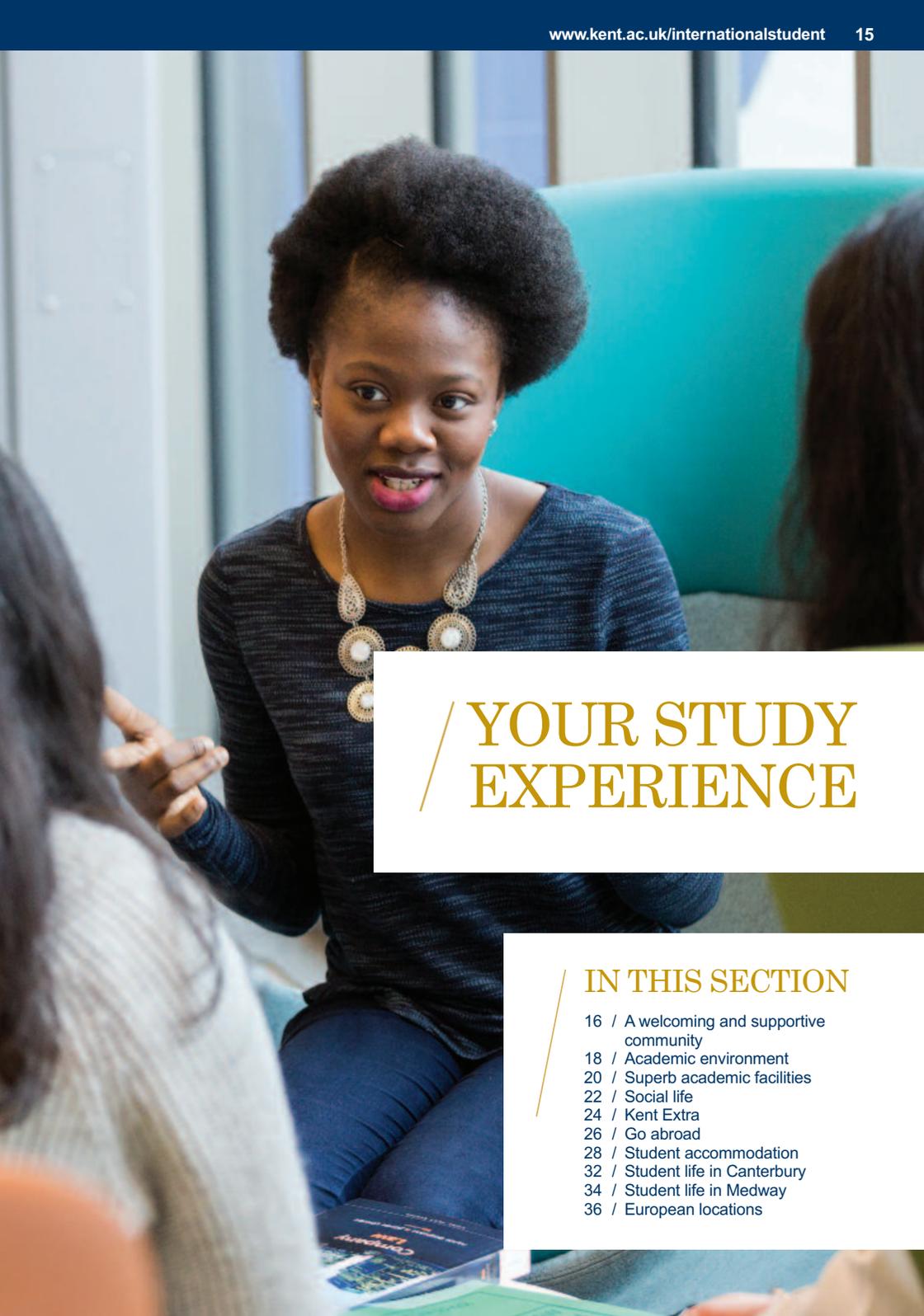
## A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE

Kent equips you with essential skills to give you a competitive advantage when it comes to getting a job. More than 95% of our students who graduated in 2015 were in work or further study within six months.

As well as providing a first-rate academic experience, we want you to be in a good position to face the challenges of the global economic environment. We provide an award-winning Careers and Employability Service, Careers Advisers, and mentoring and work opportunities through JobShop, run by Kent Union (the students' union). Our Kent Extra initiative provides a range of opportunities for you to develop your personal and transferable skills (see p24).







## YOUR STUDY EXPERIENCE

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# A WELCOMING AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY

**Our students describe the University as a safe and friendly place with a great social scene.**

## Welcome Week

To help you settle in, we hold a special Welcome Week in September (at the beginning of the academic year). This includes a greeting at the airport, lots of welcome events and trips to see local tourist attractions. Welcome Week takes place before the start of the term's lectures and seminars so you have time to relax and make friends.

Our academic schools also host activities during Welcome Week to prepare you for your studies. Events include campus tours, themed evenings and sporting activities.

If your programme starts in January, we greet you at the airport and arrange a four-day programme of welcome events for you to enjoy.

Whichever point in the year you join us, we offer support, induction and social events to help you settle in and make friends.

## Help and support

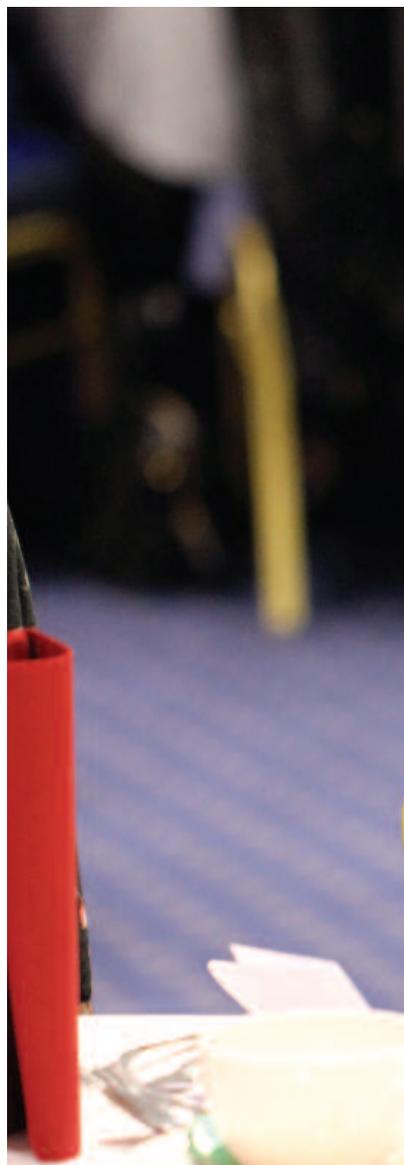
At Kent, we're proud of our supportive teaching. Our academics are friendly and approachable, and students get high levels of contact time with their tutors and lecturers. Student feedback has helped us to develop well-designed and intellectually rigorous courses that prepare you for life after graduation.

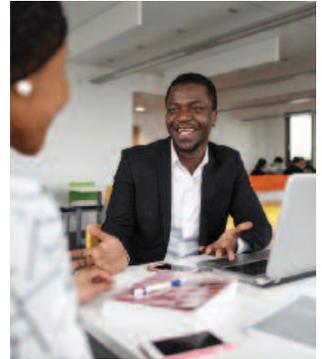
All of our students have an academic adviser – someone who can help if they have any problems. There is a Student Learning Advisory Service that can provide tuition on everything from research skills to writing essays. We also make sure that you get training so you can make the most of our extensive library and IT resources.

If English is your second language, we can help you to develop your fluency. While you're studying in the UK, you can have up to two hours of free English lessons a week at our Centre for English and World Languages. See [www.kent.ac.uk/cowl](http://www.kent.ac.uk/cowl)

There are also opportunities to learn another language through our Kent Extra programme; see p24.

Our student support and well-being team offer a counselling service and run events throughout the year to aid physical, social and psychological well-being.





### **Osiyemi Osipitan**

From Nigeria, Osiyemi is studying for an LLB Law

"When I arrived everyone was very supportive; there were welcome helpers who helped me with my bags, which was very nice! Lots of events were arranged so it was very easy to meet new people and what had seemed a daunting prospect actually turned out fine.

"I think the University supports its international students very well, offering lots of help and advice. There are a lot of Nigerian students on campus, which is lovely for me."

# ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT

**At Kent, we provide some of the best teaching in the country. Ranked 23rd in *The Guardian University Guide 2017*, and with consistently high scores in the National Student Survey, Kent was also shortlisted by both the *Times Higher Education* and *The Times Good University Guide* for university of the year in 2015.**

## Inspirational teaching

We offer an excellent education, delivered by academics who produce research of international standing – which means that you are taught by experts in your field. They will challenge you to reach your full potential: encourage you to ask questions, to think for yourself and to draw your own conclusions. And, during your studies, you acquire skills and knowledge that are relevant to both your subject area and the wider world of employment.

Our excellent teaching was recognised in the 2015 National Student Survey, where we received the fifth highest score nationally for overall student satisfaction.

## Strong academic community

The inspiring student experience encourages you to make the most of the academic environment at Kent. There are many open

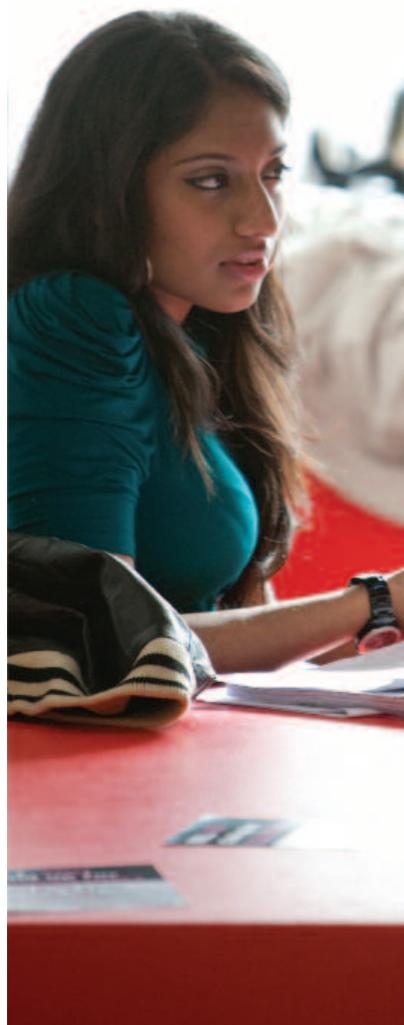
lectures and readings that all students are welcome to attend.

The quality of the University's research means that we attract a high calibre of guest lecturers, and our Chancellor, the writer and broadcaster Gavin Esler, hosts a series of events in conversation with public figures. Recent guests have included cartoonist Gerald Scarfe, author Ian Rankin, film critic Mark Kermode and novelist Louis de Bernières. There are also regular exhibitions and festivals, featuring work by staff, guests and fellow students, which encourage cross-disciplinary discussion.

## Follow your interests

We offer a wide range of undergraduate honours degrees, both single and joint honours – over 400 in total (see p45). Within most programmes, you are able to choose from a variety of modules; this allows you to broaden your experience by studying topics outside your main subject area. Many students can choose to specialise in the later stages of their course, tailoring it to their interests. Our taught and research postgraduate programmes reflect the research interests of our academic staff (see p49).

As well as undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, we offer foundation programmes for those who need to improve their English language or study skills (see pp42-44). It is also possible to study at Kent for a year or a semester (see p47).





### Hendrik Hellhammer

From Germany, Hendrik is studying for an MSc in Economics

"I was happy to accept an offer from Kent; the University is ranked in the top ten for student satisfaction and the programme offered a wide range of modules.

"When I arrived, the atmosphere in the School of Economics was very pleasant, which made life at Kent enjoyable. The level of support from the lecturers is very good. They all have specified office hours, but are always happy to listen to any queries you have and make time to help you.

"The practical way of teaching at Kent has given me really good skills in applied econometrics and computing skills in general, which I think will be very useful for future employment."

# SUPERB ACADEMIC FACILITIES

## Our stunning study locations and first-class facilities ensure that you have everything you need to excel in your studies.

Kent is one university with two UK campuses, in Canterbury and Medway, and European centres in Brussels, Paris, Athens and Rome. Each location has its own culture and identity and this is reflected in the facilities on offer. We run an inter-campus bus service during term time, which makes it easy for you to enjoy the facilities at both UK campuses.

## Academic facilities

### Libraries

- Our Templeman and Drill Hall libraries hold over 1.3 million books, journals and multimedia
- There is a vast range of e-books and e-resources
- We offer training to ensure you can find what you need easily

### IT resources

- Our campuses are fully Wi-Fi enabled and have hundreds of open-access PCs
- Training and support is available to ensure you can access all of our IT resources
- When studying off campus, you can still access the University network

## Subject-specific resources

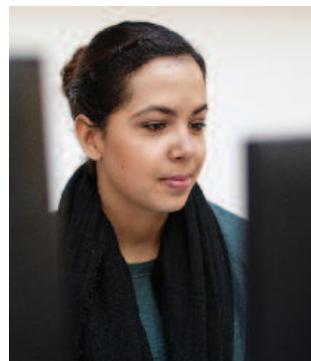
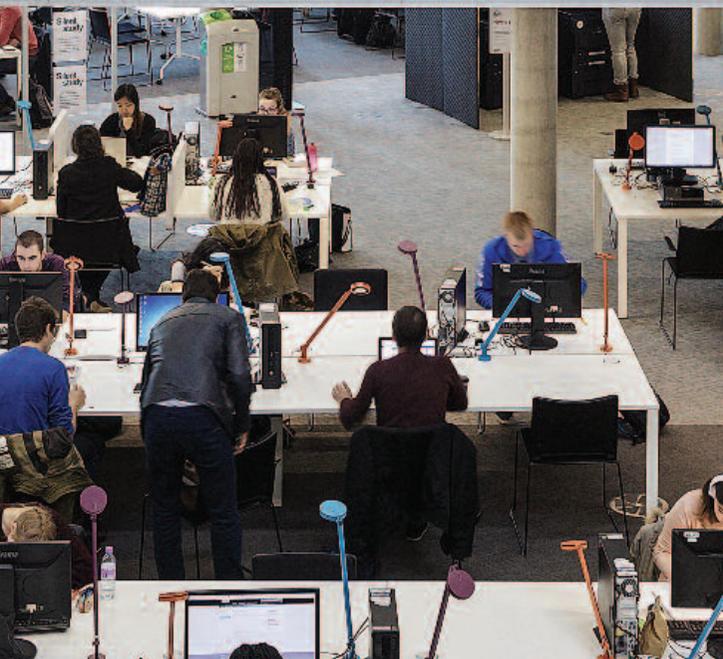
### Canterbury

- State-of-the-art science laboratories
- Digital multimedia labs
- Architecture design studios
- Filmmaking equipment
- Drama workshops
- Psychology and language labs
- History archives
- Studio 3 Gallery
- Kent Law Clinic

### Medway

- Music recording studio
- Art studios and exhibition spaces
- Multi-purpose workshops equipped with sophisticated lighting and sound equipment
- Darkroom, digital darkroom and digital print facility
- Pharmacy laboratories
- A 'live newsroom'
- Specialist equipment, sports clinics and laboratories at Medway Park, just a short walk from campus





### Angelika Wallace-Whitfield

From the Bahamas, Angelika is studying for a BA (Hons) in History & Philosophy of Art (now called Art History)

“Come to Kent, it’s an amazing university and I’m having a wonderful time. The new library extension looks so lovely; it reminds me of the Tate Modern, with all that glass. I love the Jarman Building – it is inspiring even just walking in there and there are lots of computers available for us to use.

“I am an ambassador for the University and sing Kent’s praises all the time – I live in a house full of people from the Bahamas because I boast about Kent all the time!”

# SOCIAL LIFE

**Sport, entertainment, the arts – whatever your interests, we offer a range of societies and activities to help you make the most of your time at Kent.**

## Sport

A range of sports scholarships are available; see [www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships)

### Canterbury

- Fitness suite and dance studios
- Wide range of fitness classes
- Indoor tennis and netball courts
- Badminton, basketball and squash courts
- All-weather football pitches

### Medway

- Medway Park, just a short walk from campus, has a swimming pool, fitness suite and an athletics track

## Societies

- A great way to develop a current interest or try something new, there are over 100 student societies covering international culture, dance, filmmaking, sport, politics and even scuba diving. Joining a society is also a great way to meet people and make friends. For details, see [www.kentunion.co.uk](http://www.kentunion.co.uk)
- Our students celebrate festivals including Chinese New Year, Thanksgiving, Diwali and Holi. A Multicultural Events Fund is available to help students run their own events

## Entertainment

### Canterbury

- The Venue, our award-winning on-campus nightclub, offers a great night out. Spread over two levels, the Venue has hosted acts including Tinchy Stryder, Zane Lowe and Ministry of Sound
- Our five campus bars all host theme nights and quizzes, and have their own particular atmosphere
- The Gulbenkian is an innovative arts centre, with a theatre, cinema and cabaret space, and a licensed café
- Our Colyer-Fergusson Building has an impressive concert hall for live performances and you can get involved in a wide range of music-making. Music performance scholarships are also available; see [www.kent.ac.uk/music/scholarships.html](http://www.kent.ac.uk/music/scholarships.html)

### Medway

- The Medway campus has a new student hub with a café bar, The Deep End, and entertainment and social spaces
- Cargo, an award-winning bar, bistro and live performance venue is at Liberty Quays

## Food and drink

- Stylish restaurants, cafés and bars on our campuses cater for a range of budgets and tastes, including vegetarian and halal





### Krishna Kanumuru

From India, Krishna is studying for a BEng (Hons) in Electronic and Communications Engineering

"On my first day, I made some good friends and now I know such a great circle of people that I don't want to leave. The social aspect is important. It builds your confidence so much, being here.

"If you're doing any kind of degree, you need a space to relax. And Kent is that place! There's so much greenery. We even have a pond right outside our building, so you can just go out and sit with the ducks."

# KENT EXTRA

## Kent Extra is a range of activities that can broaden your academic and cultural development and further enhance your career prospects.

You can do this through study pathways which expand your degree programme; spending a year abroad or on a work placement; attending one of our summer schools; volunteering; or taking a Study Plus course (see list of recent courses, right). Some of the options are assessed and, if your degree programme allows, may contribute to your degree. Others are extra-curricular and not assessed.

Many of the experiences undertaken as part of Kent Extra will appear on your Higher Education Achievement Report – something you can show to a potential employer.

Below are some examples of what is on offer:

- **Business and Entrepreneurship pathway** – an optional package of study for students on non-business programmes, which develops a commercial and entrepreneurial mindset
- **Kent's Q-Step Centre** – you acquire the research and analytical skills that are in high demand by employers and learn how to apply quantitative methods to social problems
- **Learn a language** – take a language module as part of your degree or take a

non-credit-bearing Language Express course. Languages currently available include:

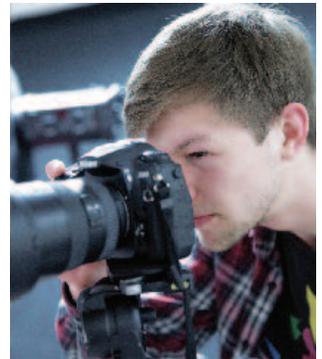
- Arabic
- Catalan
- Danish
- English
- French
- German
- Italian
- Japanese
- Mandarin
- Portuguese
- Russian
- Spanish

We also offer Latin and Ancient Greek; see [www.kent.ac.uk/languages](http://www.kent.ac.uk/languages)

- **Year in Computing** – add this one-year programme to your degree and develop high-level computing skills; see [www.cs.kent.ac.uk/ug/year-in-computing.html](http://www.cs.kent.ac.uk/ug/year-in-computing.html)
- **Global engagement modules (GEMs)** – add an international dimension to your studies with a module on global histories, religions or cultures
- **Sports leadership** – take a course that leads to a coaching or match official qualification
- **Volunteering** helps you to gain new skills, expand your experience and contribute to the local community
- **Summer schools** – held at our locations across Kent and Europe, these allow you to study for interest, credit or professional training

(Please note that some of the Kent Extra options may incur additional fees or be subject to specific entry requirements.)





### Study Plus courses

Below are examples of recent courses:

- A Tweet is Forever: Where Our Data Goes and What We Can Do With It
- Black-and-White Photography for Beginners
- Cinematic Cities: Canterbury on Film
- Developing and Delivering Events
- Dirty History: Exploring Film and TV Medievalisms
- Employability Skills
- Excelling in the Graduate Recruitment Cycle
- How Does it Work? The Science and Technology of Modern Living
- Journalism
- Talking Cultures: Exploring Intercultural Competence.

# GO ABROAD

**By considering studying in the UK, you have already shown yourself to be someone who is looking for an opportunity to develop personally, academically and professionally.**

At Kent, as part of your degree, you can further extend your experience by spending time in another European country

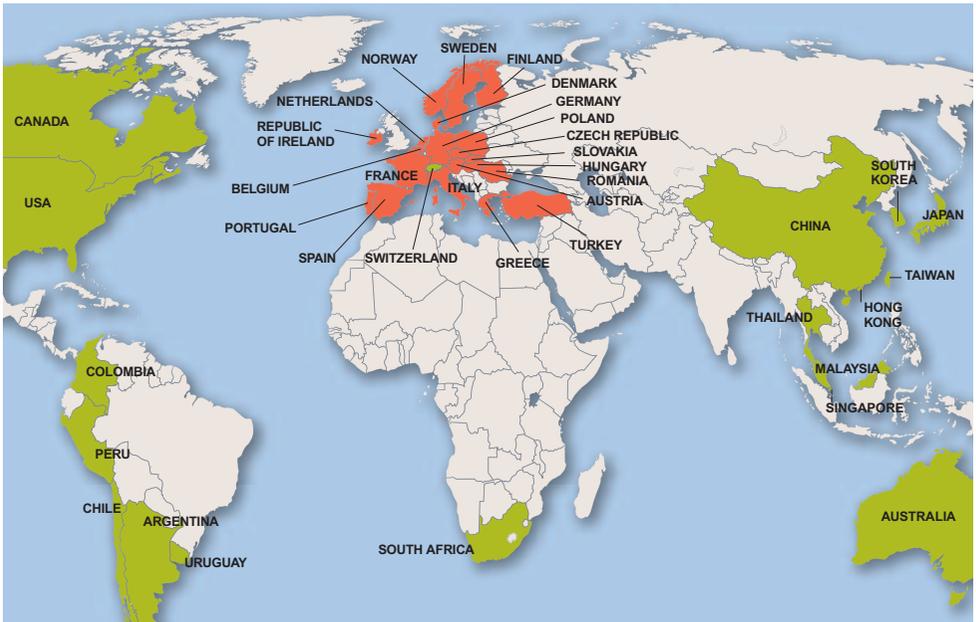
or elsewhere in the world. Whether you choose to study or to undertake a work placement\*, we'll support you every step of the way.

Your time living and studying at Kent broadens your perspective, and provides unforgettable life-enhancing experiences. By choosing to travel on to an additional destination, you show potential employers that you are curious, adaptable and ready

to embrace new cultures and challenges. We think that studying at Kent will be one of the most exciting and formative periods of your life and encourage you to make the most of your time at the University by taking advantage of our 'Go abroad' scheme. See [www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad](http://www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad) for details.

\*Subject to availability, work placements can be undertaken anywhere in the world.

## Go Abroad destinations available for Kent students



■ Study destinations covered by the Erasmus+ programme

■ Study destinations outside of the Erasmus+ programme



# STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

**Our University accommodation allows you to make an easy transition to living in the UK – you don't have to worry about finding somewhere to live and all of your basic bills are included in the rent.**

We offer some of the best accommodation in the university sector and, since 2010, have invested over £120m in our student residences. Most of our bedrooms are recently built or newly refurbished and almost 60% are en suite.

Please see the table on p30 for costs and available facilities at our Canterbury and Medway accommodation.

## Canterbury

- All bedrooms are single occupancy
- Rent includes the costs of electricity, gas, water, personal belongings insurance and wired/Wi-Fi internet access
- International students are offered a room in University accommodation for their first year (providing they meet the application criteria)
- If you study for a Foundation Programme, you are offered University accommodation for both your foundation year and the first year of your degree (providing you meet the application criteria)
- Self-catered and part-catered options are available

- If you are here for a short-term study programme, shorter accommodation stays may be possible (subject to availability)
- Postgraduate student accommodation is self-catered and is offered on a fixed 51-week contract

## Medway

- All bedrooms are single occupancy
- Kent students are offered rooms in Liberty Quays, just a ten-minute walk from the campus
- Each room has wired/Wi-Fi internet access
- International students at Medway are offered University accommodation for all years of study (providing they meet the application criteria) and subject to availability\*
- If you study on a Foundation Programme, you are offered University accommodation for both your foundation year and the first year of your degree\*

## Private accommodation

If you prefer to live off-campus, our Accommodation Office can provide information and advice to help you find private accommodation.

## Athens

A list of suitable accommodation in Eleusina or central Athens is provided to all students. We also offer advice on arranging your own

\*Please note: you will need to reapply for accommodation each year.





rented accommodation and liaise with landlords on your behalf. Please see [www.kent.ac.uk/athens](http://www.kent.ac.uk/athens) for details.

### Brussels

Although Kent does not offer campus accommodation in Brussels, there are many private rental options available. For details, see [www.kent.ac.uk/gettingstarted/brussels](http://www.kent.ac.uk/gettingstarted/brussels)

### Paris

We offer advice to help you find suitable accommodation; one option is to stay with a host family. There are also organisations in Paris to help students find accommodation, as well as private accommodation agencies. For advice, please see [www.kent.ac.uk/paris](http://www.kent.ac.uk/paris)

### Rome

The American University of Rome can, if you wish, arrange accommodation for you. Accommodation consists of furnished apartments with shared bedrooms (two students per room) in traditional, well-established neighbourhoods. See [www.kent.ac.uk/rome](http://www.kent.ac.uk/rome) for details.

### How to apply

You receive details of how to apply for accommodation when you are offered a place at Kent. Applications for University accommodation are made online at [www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation](http://www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation)

# ACCOMMODATION: QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

	No of rooms	Undergraduate/ Postgraduate	Occupancy	Laundry facilities	En suite	Food included during term-time only, (ie 31 weeks)	Kitchen facilities	Internet connection wired/wi-fi with some security restrictions
<b>Canterbury</b>								
<b>Self-catered</b>								
Darwin College	310	UG	39 weeks	✓	×	×	Kitchen	✓
Park Wood Houses	1,415	UG	39 weeks	✓	×	×	Kitchen	✓
Park Wood: Flats*	520	UG	39 weeks	✓	✓	×	Kitchen	✓
Keynes Flats	445	UG	39 weeks	✓	✓	×	Kitchen	✓
Turing Flats*	519	UG	39 weeks	✓	✓	×	Kitchen	✓
Turing Houses***	282	UG	39 weeks	✓	×***	×	Kitchen	✓
Tyler Court Flats*	528	UG	39 weeks	✓	✓	×	Kitchen	✓
<b>Bed and bistro</b>								
Becket Court	103	UG	31 weeks	✓	✓	✓	Kitchenette**	✓
Keynes College	162	UG	31 weeks	✓	✓	✓	Kitchenette**	✓
<b>Bed and flex</b>								
Eliot College	221	UG	37 weeks	✓	×	✓	Kitchenette**	✓
Rutherford College*	149	UG	37 weeks	✓	×	✓	Kitchenette**	✓
<b>Postgraduate</b>								
Woolf*	544	PG	51 weeks	✓	✓	×	Kitchen	✓
<b>Medway</b>								
<b>Self-catered</b>								
Liberty Quays*	1,106	UG PG	39 weeks 39 weeks	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	×	Kitchen Kitchen	✓ ✓

- \* A number of rooms are also available for wheelchair users or students with other disabilities.
- \*\* Kitchenettes contain a small fridge, microwave and kettle, and are only suitable for the preparation of snacks and hot drinks.
- \*\*\* Turing Houses have one bathroom shared between two rooms.
- \*\*\*\* Postgraduate accommodation at Liberty Quays can be extended to 42 or 51 weeks.

Please note: our student accommodation does not include parking facilities.

NB: Accommodation prices shown are for 2016/17 and are for guidance only.

**Picture**

**Cost (£)** Fees quoted are for 2016/17 for the entire occupancy period unless otherwise stated and include all gas, electricity and water charges, personal belongings insurance and internet access.

£4,475 to £5,168

£4,237 to £4,868

1 £6,121

2 £6,168 to £6,741

£6,320 to £6,741

£5,319

3 £5,794 to £6,320

£6,432 to £7,190

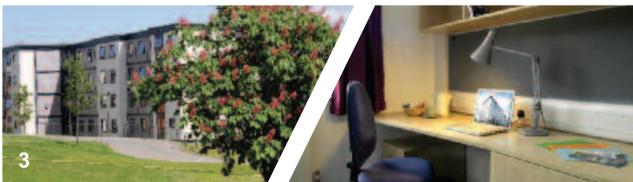
£6,432

4 £4,740 to £5,310

£4,740 to £5,310

5 £6,491 to £7,906

6 £5,499  
£5,499\*\*\*\*



# STUDENT LIFE IN CANTERBURY

**Canterbury is a beautiful and historic city, less than an hour from London. It has a warm and friendly atmosphere and each year students from around the world fall in love with its cosmopolitan charm.**

As you would expect from a city with nearly 40,000 students, there's a rich social life. In fact, according to a 2013 report from Experian, Canterbury is the UK's third most vibrant city. The city has museums, art galleries, clubs, bars, restaurants, sports facilities, two cinemas and a theatre.

## Campus life

Campus life is ideal for students as everything is in one place. Our Canterbury campus is set in 300 acres of beautiful parkland overlooking the historic Cathedral, which is the venue for our graduation ceremonies. This gives you the best of both worlds: green spaces on campus, yet only a 25-minute walk from the city centre. A frequent bus service runs between campus and the city.

## Support

The campus offers a high level of support. University staff can help with all kinds of queries. Our student union provides an advice service, with guidance on

immigration and visas, and has a Jobshop that can help you find part-time work. The Student Learning Advisory Service provides support in study skills, and our Centre for English and World Languages offers free English language tuition. There is an on-site medical centre, where you can register with a UK doctor who provides free medical care during your stay. Kent also employs its own counsellors and nurses.

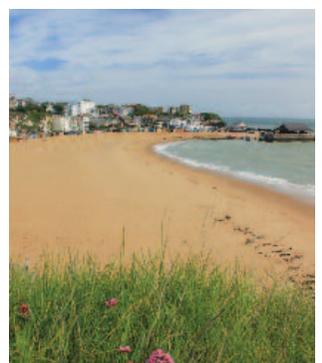
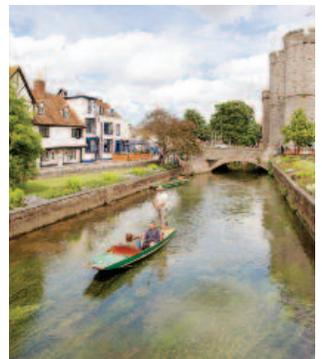
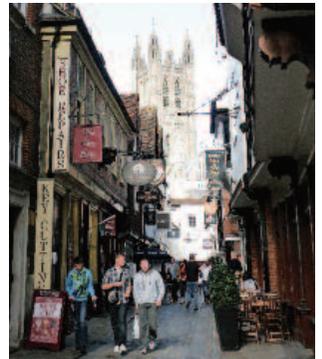
## Location

Canterbury is a lovely city with medieval buildings, lively bars and atmospheric pubs, nightclubs, cafés, restaurants and a wide range of shops. It is a cultural city with a strong focus on the arts; an annual arts festival attracts thousands of visitors from across the UK and Europe.

A huge bonus for our students is how close Canterbury is to London – the high-speed train service takes less than an hour. If you want to explore Paris or Brussels, you can catch a Eurostar train and be there in about two hours. It's also easy to cross the Channel by ferry and get to international locations by flying from one of London's airports.

Canterbury is also close to the seaside towns of Whitstable, Margate and Broadstairs.





# STUDENT LIFE IN MEDWAY

**Medway is a bustling area with outstanding sports facilities, exciting arts programmes and buildings of historic significance.**

## Campus life

Our Medway campus has won several design awards. Occupying grand buildings that were once part of a British naval base, the Chatham Maritime site combines a historic riverfront setting with high-tech facilities to provide a stunning study environment less than an hour from London. There is a real sense of community on campus and students find it easy to make friends.

The Centre for Journalism, with its fully equipped radio and TV newsroom, and the School of Sport and Exercise Sciences are based at the Chatham Maritime site, alongside facilities for the Medway sections of the School of Computing and the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research. Our School of Music and Fine Art and the Medway arm of Kent Business School are based a short walk away at The Historic Dockyard, Chatham, next to the River Medway. There is a recording studio for those studying music, and dedicated studios for our arts students. Our student accommodation, Liberty Quays, is by the River Medway in an attractive modern development.

## Support

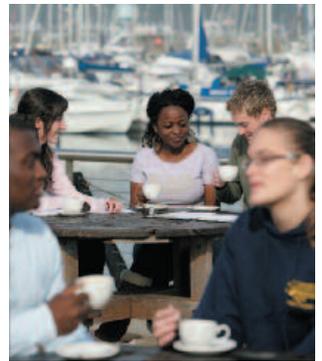
Our students have easy access to support on campus. The Student Learning Advisory Service can help you with study skills. Greenwich and Kent Students' Union Together (GK Unions) can provide advice on many aspects of life in the UK, including how to register with a local doctor.

## Location

The Medway area has a fascinating history going back to Norman times; Rochester Cathedral was one of the first large stone keeps built by William the Conqueror and is more than 1,400 years old. In recent years, the Chatham Maritime area has received a huge investment and includes a multiplex cinema, a large retail outlet and many bars and restaurants, all within walking distance of the campus. Medway also has a thriving music scene and some great pubs and clubs, many of which offer student discounts.

From campus, there is easy access to central London: trains from nearby Ebbsfleet International take under 20 minutes and trains from Chatham take around 50 minutes. If you want to explore Paris or Brussels, the Eurostar train from Ebbsfleet International can take you there in about two hours. Airports are easily reached by road or rail. The historic towns of Chatham and Rochester, where Charles Dickens lived, are a bus-ride away.





# EUROPEAN LOCATIONS

## ATHENS

Kent's teaching centre in Athens is in the suburb of Eleusina, one of the most important archaeological sites in the world. The University has a unique collaboration with the Athens University of Economics and Business, capitalising on the specialist teaching, research and expertise of both partners. The MA in Heritage Management is taught in these historic surroundings. The centre of Athens is only 30km away, and students have easy access to many other major historical sites, including the Parthenon, Ancient Corinth, Nemea and Thebes.



## BRUSSELS

We are the only UK university to have a centre in the 'capital of Europe'. Kent's Brussels School of International Studies offers postgraduate degrees in international studies. Brussels is home to the main institutions of the European Union, as well as organisations such as NATO, NGOs and think-tanks, and staff from many of these institutions contribute to the teaching at our centre. Studying in Brussels offers opportunities to network, with many students securing internships and careers within prestigious organisations.





## PARIS

The University's Paris School of Arts and Culture offers postgraduate students the chance to study in the historic and cultural heart of Montparnasse. We offer programmes in the arts and humanities, where your learning is enhanced by being immersed in the culture and language of one of the most inspirational cities in the world. As part of a thriving academic community, students work with internationally respected academics and are able to enjoy all the opportunities that come with living and working in Paris.



## ROME

Canterbury and Rome have been linked since the Middle Ages by the pilgrimage route Via Francigena. The School of Arts and the School of European Culture and Languages (SECL) both offer postgraduate programmes with the opportunity to spend a term studying in Rome, the centre of classical antiquity and inspiration for some of the world's greatest artists. Students have access to key sites, museums and artefacts within this historical city.





# ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

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# ENGLISH LANGUAGE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

**Many international students are required to have a suitable grade in a Secure English Language Test (SELT) in order to meet the UK's visa requirements.**

At Kent, we set our English language requirements at a level that meets both the academic needs of the University and the minimum requirements for a Tier 4 (General) student visa. The SELTs accepted at Kent are outlined below.

If you are from a majority English-speaking country and are studying, or have studied, recognised qualifications in English at an international school, or have completed a qualification equivalent to a UK Bachelor's degree in a majority English-speaking country, you may not need to submit a SELT.

**Please note:** some degree programmes, particularly at postgraduate level, may require higher SELT scores. For details of all of our English language requirements, see [www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs)

## Pre-sessional English and foundation levels

IELTS is the only approved SELT provider acceptable to UK Visa and Immigration (UKVI). For pre-sessional, foundation and JYA English PLUS programmes, IELTS tests must be taken at a UKVI-approved test centre. See



[www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs) for details.

Students who are nationals of one of the countries in the UKVI list of majority English-speaking countries and are applying for entry to a foundation programme do not need to provide English language evidence when applying for a student visa.

## Degree level and above

For undergraduate degree-level study and above, the University accepts IELTS taken at any IELTS test centre. The University also accepts internet-based TOEFL, Pearson Test of English (PTE Academic) and Cambridge English: Advanced and Cambridge English: Proficiency.

**Please note:** IELTS and PTE Academic tests are only valid for two years. Therefore, tests must

be taken no more than two years before the course start date.

See [www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs) for details.

## Pre-sessional English courses

We offer a number of courses in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) for students who need to improve their English language skills in order to study at university level. If you need to raise your English language skills to the equivalent of 6.5 or 7.0 in IELTS (meeting level B2, as specified by the UK Home Office), you can attend one of our intensive pre-sessional courses in EAP, see p41. Satisfactory achievement on one of these courses can be used to meet Kent's English language entry requirements in place of other external language examinations.

# PRE-SESSIONAL PROGRAMMES IN ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES

**The University's courses in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) are all taught by Kent language tutors who are experts in the field of EAP.**

## Pre-sessional courses

These courses prepare you for studying in English at undergraduate or postgraduate level. Satisfactory achievement on one of these courses can be used to meet Kent's English language entry requirements in place of other external language examinations.

Kent International Pathways administers the courses, providing an intensive, full-time course of study with approximately 20 hours of classes per week. Teaching includes lectures, seminars, workshops, independent research tasks, and group and pair work.

The courses are delivered at our campus in Canterbury and range in length from five weeks to 37 weeks. We also offer a six-week pre-sessional course at our centre in Brussels. The length of programme you need to attend is determined by your existing English language ability.

## Tuition fees

See pp52-53.

## How to apply

See [www.kent.ac.uk/kip](http://www.kent.ac.uk/kip) for details.

## Other programmes

While you are studying for a Kent degree, you can continue to develop your English language through our In-sessional English Skills programme, which is provided free of charge to our international students.

Pre-sessional English courses Duration/study dates	English language entry requirements (IELTS)	Expected English language exit level	Application deadline
Five weeks (13 Aug 2017-15 Sept 2017)	This course is for students who have unconditional offers for Kent degrees, but who wish to take a pre-sessional course before joining their main course of study.	n/a	24 Jul 2017
Six weeks (16 Jul 2017-25 Aug 2017)	6.0 incl 6.0 in R&W, 5.5 in L&S 6.5 incl 6.5 in R&W, 6.0 in L&S	6.5 IELTS 7.0 IELTS	23 Jun 2017
Six weeks Brussels (16 Jul 2017-25 Aug 2017)	6.0 incl 6.0 in R&W, 5.5 in L&S 6.5 incl 6.5 in R&W, 6.0 in L&S	6.5 IELTS 7.0 IELTS	23 Jun 2017
Eight-week pre-January IFP (16 Oct 2016-16 Dec 2016)	4.5 incl no more than two skills at 4.5	5.0-6.0 IELTS	15 Sep 2016
Ten weeks (18 Jun 2017-25 Aug 2017)	5.5 incl 5.5 in R&W, 5.0 in L&S 6.0 incl 6.0 in R&W, 5.5 in L&S	6.5 IELTS 7.0 IELTS	26 May 2016
17 weeks (30 Apr 2017-25 Aug 2017)	5.0 incl 5.0 in all skills 5.5 incl 5.5 in R&W, 5.0 in L&S	6.5 IELTS 7.0 IELTS	31 March 2017
28 weeks (15 Jan 2017-25 Aug 2017)	5.0 incl 5.0 in R&W, 4.5 in L&S	6.5/7.0 IELTS	7 Dec 2016
37 weeks (16 Oct 2016-25 Aug 2017)	4.5 incl 4.5 in three skills, one at 5.0	6.5/7.0	16 Sep 2016

Key: R = reading; W = writing; S = speaking; L = listening

Please note: IELTS tests must be taken at a UK Visa and Immigration-approved test centre. IELTS 6.5 or 7.0 is the level you need to meet level B2 as specified by the UK Home Office.

# FOUNDATION PROGRAMMES

**If your education or experience has not given you the qualifications, study skills or the English language ability that you need for undergraduate study, you can take a foundation programme.**

When you apply for a foundation programme, you specify the degree you want to progress to. Passing your foundation year at a sufficient level guarantees you entry on to your chosen degree.

Taught at our Canterbury campus, the two main types of programme are outlined below.

## Subject-specific degrees with a foundation year

These are open to candidates with acceptable English language qualifications (5.5 IELTS), but with either A level equivalent qualifications below the grades required for first-year entry to a degree or national school-leaving qualifications which are at a level below A level. The degrees are offered in:

- Actuarial Science
- Chemistry
- Computer Systems Engineering
- Electronic and Communications Engineering
- Forensic Science
- Mathematics
- Physics.

You can apply if you have a minimum of two passes at A level or equivalent, or another recognised post-GCSE qualification, but:

- not in the subject areas needed for your chosen degree, or
- you did not obtain grades high enough for your chosen degree.

## How to apply

Apply at [www.ucas.com/apply](http://www.ucas.com/apply)

## International Foundation Programme (IFP)

This year-long programme is for international students. You take the Academic Skills Development module alongside other modules that provide training in specific subject areas. If you successfully complete the IFP and meet the rules of progression, you are guaranteed entry to a range of degrees at the University.

Starting in September or January, the IFP is taught over three terms. You should apply for the IFP if:

- you are from a country where secondary education does not reach the level needed for entry to UK undergraduate degrees and/or
- you have reached an academic standard acceptable for first-year entry to a degree programme, but do not have a high enough standard of English language.

See pp43-44 for module details.

## IFP entry requirements

- A good academic school-leaving certificate with particular strengths in subjects that are relevant to your intended area of study

- GCSE grade C Maths or equivalent for some degree programmes. If you do not have this level of qualification, you will need to take the IFP Maths and Statistics module
- 5.0 IELTS, with 5.0 in each skill

Please note: if your level of English is below IELTS 5.0, you may need to take a pre-session course in English; see p41.

If you wish to pursue a foundation pathway leading to Architecture, Event and Experience Design or Fine Art, a portfolio of work is required. After you have applied, we will contact you with details on how to submit your portfolio.

**Please note: you only need to take a foundation programme if your qualifications are not suitable for your chosen degree.** You can check the entry requirements for your degree programme at [www.kent.ac.uk/ug](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ug) To check if your qualifications are suitable, see [www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent](http://www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent) and select your country.

## How to apply

- Directly to Kent at [www.kent.ac.uk/ifp](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ifp)
- Via one of Kent's overseas representatives
- Via UCAS ([www.ucas.com/apply](http://www.ucas.com/apply)) If you are submitting other applications to Kent through UCAS, your IFP application must also be made through UCAS.

## Tuition fees

See pp52-53.

## IFP modules

All students take:

- Academic Skills Development and, either
- English for Academic Study or
- Foundation Project.

You then choose up to three further modules depending on your chosen pathway. Generally, modules are worth either 15 or 30 credits (the Art and Design module\* is worth 60, so if you take that module, you only select two modules from the list below). Please note that this module list is not fixed as new modules are always in development and choices are updated yearly. Please see [www.kent.ac.uk/ug](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ug) for the most up-to-date information.

- Algebra and Calculus
- Analogue Electronics
- Art and Design\*
- Business Management
- Chemical Reactivity
- Drama, Film and Literary Text
- Economics
- Electrical Principles and Measurements
- Fundamental Human Biology
- Genetics and Evolution
- History
- Law
- Life Sciences
- Maths and Stats
- Molecules and Analysis
- Motion and Mechanics
- Philosophy
- Physics Tutorial
- Politics
- Programming
- Properties of Matter

- Psychology
- Pure Maths
- Sociology
- Waves and Vibrations

The modules you take depend on the degree programme you want to study. The tables below and on p44 are a guide to the modules best suited to particular subject areas. Please note:

- in order to progress to some of our degree programmes, you have to take particular modules as part of your IFP
- it may not be possible to take certain module combinations.

For details of the modules required for progression to individual degree programmes and possible module combinations, see [www.kent.ac.uk/ffp](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ffp)

Humanities	Available modules
<p><b>Q308 (September start)</b> Q308 leads to programmes in subject areas including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Architecture</li> <li>• Art History</li> <li>• Classics; Archaeology; Ancient History</li> <li>• Drama; Film</li> <li>• English Language and Linguistics</li> <li>• English and American Literature; Comparative Literature</li> <li>• American Studies</li> <li>• Event and Experience Design; Fine Art</li> <li>• History; Military History</li> <li>• Modern foreign languages</li> <li>• Music; Music Technology; Popular Music</li> <li>• Philosophy; Religious Studies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art and Design; Business Management; Drama, Film and Literary Text; History; Law; Maths and Stats; Philosophy; Politics; Psychology; Sociology</li> </ul>
<p><b>KW11 (January start)</b> KW11 leads to programmes in subject areas including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Architecture</li> <li>• Event and Experience Design</li> <li>• Fine Art</li> <li>• Philosophy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art and Design; Business Management; Law; Maths and Stats; Psychology</li> </ul>

\*Students who wish to take the Art and Design module must provide an electronic portfolio of their work; see [www.kent.ac.uk/ffp](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ffp) for details.

# FOUNDATION PROGRAMMES (CONT)

Social Sciences	Available modules
<p><b>L593 (September start)</b> L593 leads to programmes in subject areas including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accounting &amp; Finance; Accounting &amp; Management</li> <li>Architecture</li> <li>Criminology; Criminal Justice and Criminology</li> <li>Cultural Studies and Media</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>International Business</li> <li>Law</li> <li>Marketing</li> <li>Politics and International Relations</li> <li>Psychology; Psychology with Forensic Psychology</li> <li>Journalism</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business Management; Economics; History; Law; Maths and Statistics; Philosophy; Politics; Psychology; Sociology</li> </ul>
<p><b>L592 (January start)</b> L592 offers progression to all of the subject areas listed in L593 (above). In addition, it can lead to programmes in the following subject areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language and Linguistics</li> <li>Modern foreign languages</li> <li>Social Policy; Sociology and social welfare.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business Management; Economics; Law; Maths and Statistics; Politics; Psychology</li> </ul>

Sciences	Available modules
<p><b>F306 (September start)</b> F306 leads to physics programmes in the School of Physical Sciences</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motion and Mechanics; Physics Tutorial; Properties of Matter; Pure Maths; Waves and Vibrations</li> </ul>
<p><b>FF14 (September start)</b> FF14 leads to chemistry and forensic programmes in the School of Physical Sciences</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Algebra and Calculus; Chemical Reactivity; Molecules and Analysis; Pure Maths</li> </ul>
<p><b>C107 (September start)</b> C107 leads to programmes in the School of Biosciences and the School of Sport and Exercise Science</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fundamental Human Biology; Genetics and Evolution; Life Sciences; Maths and Stats; Psychology; Pure Maths; Business Management</li> </ul>
<p><b>G408 (September start)</b> G408 leads to programmes in the School of Computing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business Management; Economics; Maths and Stats; Politics; Programming; Sociology</li> </ul>
<p><b>H609 (September start)</b> H609 leads to programmes in the School of Engineering and Digital Arts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analogue Electronics; Art and Design; Business Management; Electrical Principles and Measurements; Maths and Stats; Politics; Programming; Pure Maths; Sociology</li> </ul>
<p><b>45NC (September start)</b> 45NC leads to the BSc Pharmacology and Physiology (Please note 45NC does not provide direct progression to this BSc; you must apply through UCAS. See <a href="http://www.kent.ac.uk/ug">www.kent.ac.uk/ug</a> for details)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fundamental Human Biology; Genetics and Evolution; Life Sciences; Maths and Stats; Psychology; Pure Maths; Business Management</li> </ul>

# UNDERGRADUATE STUDY

**Kent's undergraduate degrees are some of the best in the UK, designed to challenge you and take your studies to the highest level.**

We offer degrees in a wide range of subject areas, including:

- Actuarial Science
- American Studies
- Ancient History, Archaeology, and Classics
- Anthropology
- Architecture
- Arts
- Asian Studies
- Astronomy, Space Science and Astrophysics

- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Biomedical Science
- Business, Accounting, Finance, Management, Marketing
- Chemistry
- Computing
- Conservation
- Criminology
- Cultural Studies and Media
- Digital Arts and Multimedia
- Drama and Theatre
- Economics
- Engineering, Electronics and Bioengineering
- Event and Experience Design
- Film
- Forensic Science
- History
- Journalism
- Languages and Linguistics
- Law
- Liberal Arts
- Literature
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Music
- Pharmacy
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Politics and International Relations
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Social, Health and Community Care
- Sociology and Social Policy
- Sport and Exercise Sciences
- Statistical Social Research

Kent offers around 390 undergraduate study programmes; visit [www.kent.ac.uk/ug](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ug) to see our full course list.

## Flexible programmes

Many of our degrees include a year in industry or study abroad option, allowing you to gain the practical skills and life experience to stand out in a competitive global workplace.

Students can also gain experience within our award-winning clinics. These include the Sports Therapy Clinic, the Kent Law Clinic and the Kent IT Consultancy. There are many volunteer roles offered by Kent Union Volunteering.

## Teaching style

You are taught by academics who will inspire you to work at the

highest level and support you as you develop the skills you need to succeed.

Our stimulating courses build up your confidence, step by step. Teaching methods include lectures, seminars, workshops, field trips, conferences, independent study and one-to-one tutorials. We also encourage you to develop independent study skills.

You are assessed by a mixture of coursework, seminar performance, practical assignments and examinations. The marks you get in the first year of a degree do not count towards your final result.

## Careers support

Our degrees enable you to flourish in a competitive global economy. Graduates develop skills that make them better prepared to start their careers and more attractive to potential employers – more than 95% of Kent students who graduated in 2015 were in work or further study within six months.

At Kent, whatever subject you study, you develop the skills and capabilities that employers value. These include problem solving, independent thought, report-writing, time management, leadership skills, teamworking and good communication.

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDY (CONT)

Our award-winning Careers and Employability Service can help you to plan your future career, for instance, by providing information on careers related to your studies, identifying transferable skills and putting you in touch with our Alumni Careers Network (where you can talk to a Kent graduate about their career). The Service also offers advice on job-seeking skills, such as writing a CV and covering letter, interview techniques and aptitude tests.

In addition, Jobshop, a service provided by Kent Union, can help you find paid, part-time work. This helps you to develop skills and try out different areas of employment.

### Entry requirements

#### English language

To apply for a degree at Kent, you need: 6.5 IELTS (inc 6.0 in reading and writing and 5.5 in listening and speaking). For details of all English language entry requirements and of the other SELTs the University accepts, see [www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs)

You also need to meet the academic entry requirements of your programme – see course details at [www.kent.ac.uk/ug](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ug)

### FEES

For details of fees, see the tables on pp52-53 or visit [www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees](http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees)



If your qualifications are specific to your country, you can check whether they are suitable at [www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent](http://www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent)

If you are unable to meet the entry requirements, you may still gain a place on your chosen degree via one of our pre-sessional courses (p41) or one of our foundation programmes (p42).

### How to apply for a degree

For details of how to apply, see [www.kent.ac.uk/courses/undergraduate/apply](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/undergraduate/apply)

- Students from the EU are advised to apply by 15 January 2017.
- Students from outside the EU should aim for 15 January 2017 to guarantee consideration. However, if places are left, we may consider applications up to 30 June 2017.

For advice on any aspect of your application, contact International Recruitment: [www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent](http://www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent)

### Late applications

A process called 'clearing' takes place in August. Kent lists all of the degrees that still have places and this can give you another chance to apply. For details, see [www.kent.ac.uk/clearing](http://www.kent.ac.uk/clearing)

### Working in the UK

Some international students are able to find part-time work in the UK (please check your student visa conditions). For the latest information, see [www.kent.ac.uk/studentimmigration](http://www.kent.ac.uk/studentimmigration) or email queries to us at [advice@kent.ac.uk](mailto:advice@kent.ac.uk)

# SHORT-TERM STUDY AT KENT

## Kent's short-term study programmes allow students from different educational systems to study and gain academic credit from a leading British university.

We offer a range of short-term programmes which allow international students to spend a term or year at Kent. Our programmes suit your academic ability, your level of proficiency in English and the amount of time you would like to spend abroad. The programmes available are listed below.

### Erasmus exchange

This is for students from our partner universities in Europe. Students spend a term or a full academic year at Kent and can choose their modules from a wide range of subjects.

### International exchange

For students from our partner universities outside of Europe. Students spend a term or a full academic year at Kent and can choose their modules from a wide range of subjects.

### Non-exchange programme

This is for fee-paying short-term students. Students spend a term or a full academic year at Kent. You can choose your modules from a wide range on offer at Kent; the breadth of areas covered makes it easy to find something to fit your interests and knowledge.

You are given advice on choosing your academic modules once you have taken your language assessment in September. However, if you would like to browse through some of those on offer, please visit our online module

catalogue at [www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modulecatalogue](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modulecatalogue)

### Tuition fees

See p53.

### Junior Year Abroad (JYA) English Plus

JYA English PLUS has been designed to meet the needs of students whose first language is not English. The programme begins with a two-week course which helps you to become accustomed to your new study environment. It continues with a combination of language training, study skills and the opportunity to study academic modules from across the University.

For more details, visit [www.kent.ac.uk/courses/short-term](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/short-term)

### Tuition fees

See p53.

Non-exchange programme Duration/study dates	English language entry requirements (IELTS)	Expected English language exit level	Application deadline
One year (Sept-Jun)	6.5 incl 6.0 in R&W, 5.5 in L&S	n/a	30 Jun 2017
Fall semester only (Sept-Dec)	6.0 incl 6.0 in R&W, 5.5 in L&S	n/a	30 Jun 2017
Spring semester only (Jan-Jun)	6.0 incl 6.0 in R&W, 5.5 in L&S	n/a	30 Nov 2017
JYA English PLUS			
Full-year (17 April 2017-7 April 2018)	4.5-6.0 incl 4.5 in each skill	6.5 IELTS	15 Feb 2017
Part-year (17 April 2017-15 Dec 2017)	4.5-6.0 incl 4.5 in each skill	6.5 IELTS	15 Feb 2017

Key: R = reading; W = writing; S = speaking; L = listening

## SHORT-TERM STUDY AT KENT (CONT)



### Summer schools

Kent offers a variety of summer schools at our locations in Kent and Europe, covering a wide range of subjects. For more information, see [www.kent.ac.uk/summerschools](http://www.kent.ac.uk/summerschools)

### Choosing modules

We offer a wide range of academic modules, which makes it easy to find something to fit your interests and level of knowledge. Many students gain a diploma for their studies. To browse through some of the modules on offer, please refer to our online catalogue at [www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modulecatalogue](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modulecatalogue)

### Term dates 2017/18

#### Autumn term

25 September – 15 December 2017

#### Spring term

15 January – 6 April 2018

#### Summer term

7 May – 15 June 2018

### Accommodation

All students on short-term programmes are given the option of living on campus, providing they apply by the accommodation deadline for their programme. See p28 for details of accommodation.

### How to apply

If your university has an exchange agreement with us, you apply via your university's 'study abroad' office. If your university does not have an exchange agreement with us, you apply directly to Kent via our website. However, you need to check that your university will accept the study credits you gain at Kent.

### Further information

For more information, see [www.kent.ac.uk/courses/short-term](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/short-term) or email [internationalpartnerships@kent.ac.uk](mailto:internationalpartnerships@kent.ac.uk)

# POSTGRADUATE STUDY

**Postgraduate students at Kent join a dynamic and innovative research community, working with world-renowned academics to advance their discipline.**

We offer postgraduate study in a range of subject areas, including:

- Actuarial Science
- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Architecture
- Biosciences
- Business
- Child Protection
- Classical & Archaeological Studies
- Comparative Literature

- Computing
- Conservation
- Criminology
- Drama and Theatre
- Economics
- Education
- Engineering and Digital Arts
- English
- English Language and Linguistics
- Environmental Social Science
- Film
- Finance
- Fine Art
- French
- German
- Hispanic Studies
- History
- History of Art
- Italian
- Journalism
- Law
- Mathematics
- Medicine, Dental and Health Sciences
- Medieval and Early Modern Studies
- Music
- Pharmacy
- Philosophy
- Physical Sciences
- Politics and International Relations
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Science, Communication and Society
- Social and Community Care
- Social and Public Policy
- Sociology
- Sport and Exercise Sciences
- Statistics

## Taught programmes

### Pre-Master's Graduate Diploma (GDip)

International Management with Management English is a one-year conversion programme for those who do not have the qualifications for direct entry to a Master's. You develop your English language, academic and subject-specific skills before progressing to specific postgraduate degrees at Kent Business School. Details at [www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/premasters-gdips](http://www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/premasters-gdips)

### International Master's programmes

These courses are equivalent to a Pre-Master's Graduate Diploma, followed by a one-year MSc with

an optional industrial placement. They are for international students with undergraduate degrees from institutions that do not award the equivalent of UK honours degrees and who prefer (or whose financial sponsors require) enrolment on a single MSc programme.

### Master's

Most taught Master's take one calendar year. You follow a structured course and teaching is provided in seminars, lectures, tutorials and, for some courses, practical workshops. You complete a dissertation or practical project.

### How to apply

Use our online application form at [www.kent.ac.uk/pg](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg) You need

to submit supporting documents, such as certificates and references, when you apply. The deadline for applications is 31 July 2017. For advice, contact International Recruitment, or one of our overseas representatives (see p56).

To study as a postgraduate at Kent, you need good skills in English language (please see [www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs) for details). You also need to meet the academic entry requirements of your programme – see course details at [www.kent.ac.uk/pg](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg)

If your qualifications are specific to your country, you can check whether they are suitable at [www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent](http://www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent)

# POSTGRADUATE STUDY (CONT)

## Research programmes

In your research programme, you gain specialist knowledge in your field. You work independently on a personal research project under the guidance of a supervisor. You receive training in research methods and attend academic conferences. Your progress is monitored to ensure that you are on track to produce a thesis of value to the academic community.

## Research supervision

You receive top-quality supervision from Kent's world-class academics. All of our PhD students are assigned a supervisory team of specialists in their research area. In some subjects (most commonly the sciences), students join a team as part of an ongoing research project.

## Graduate Teaching Assistantships

Most PhD students are offered the chance to teach Kent's undergraduate students through a Graduate Teaching Assistantship (GTA). This paid work enriches their knowledge of their subject and helps them to develop communication and teaching skills.

## Programme options

### External research degrees

We offer some 'external candidature' research programmes, which allow you to remain in your home country while studying under the supervision of a Kent academic. See [www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/types/external-research.html](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/types/external-research.html)

## New Route PhDs

New Route PhDs are four-year programmes that provide professional and transferable skills for PhD students who want to work at a senior level in business or industry, or go on to a successful career in academia. See [www.kent.ac.uk/pg](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg) for more details.

## Dual Research Awards

Dual Research Awards (or cotutelle awards) offer research students the chance to be supervised by a member of staff at the University of Kent and a member of staff at a university in another country, resulting in a dual award: a PhD from Kent and a doctorate from the partner university. For more information, see [www.kent.ac.uk/pg](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg)

## How to apply

Apply online at [www.kent.ac.uk/pg](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg) – make sure you include all your supporting documents, such as certificates and references, with your application. For advice, please contact International Recruitment or one of our overseas representatives (p56), or email [international@kent.ac.uk](mailto:international@kent.ac.uk) EU students should email [information@kent.ac.uk](mailto:information@kent.ac.uk)

## English language entry requirements

The English language entry requirements for postgraduate study vary with IELTS levels ranging from 6.0-7.5. For details of the tests we accept and the requirements for individual programmes, see [www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ems/eng-lang-reqs)

## Student life

Postgraduates at Kent have access to social, study and support facilities.

- Our Graduate School provides support for all postgraduates at Kent. For taught Master's students, it runs the Global Skills Award Programme, which is designed to enhance global awareness and improve employability. All students are eligible to apply for a place, which is free of charge. For research students, the Researcher Development Programme covers topics such as subject-specific research skills, research management, communication, networking, teamworking and career management skills.
- Woolf College on our Canterbury campus is a dedicated postgraduate college. It provides accommodation, as well as a lecture theatre, seminar rooms and public spaces for intellectual and social gatherings.
- Our teaching centres in Athens, Brussels, Paris and Rome offer postgraduate programmes in subjects relevant to their locations.

## International study placements

Kent's international links provide a range of opportunities for our postgraduate students to undertake part of their study or research abroad. For details, see [www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad](http://www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad)

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# FEES AND FUNDING

**For full details of fees and costs at the University, see [www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student](http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student)**

## Tuition fees

The standard international (non-EU) and EU fees for full-time students starting in the academic year 2017/18 are listed on p53 and below. The fees quoted cover one academic year of study.

In light of the recent UK EU referendum vote, the University

has agreed that for 2017, EU students who satisfy nationality and residency criteria will be classified as UK/EU (Home) fee paying.

Some courses, particularly postgraduate, charge more than the standard fee. For the latest details on fees, see [www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees](http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees)

Please note: fees will increase year on year by no more than the retail price index (RPI) +3% in each academic year of study, except where regulated. Where

fees are regulated (such as by the Department for Business, Innovation & Skills or Research Councils UK), they will be increased by an amount up to the permitted increase.

## Other living costs

To help you estimate your living costs, we have an online calculator at [www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/livingcosts.html](http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/livingcosts.html) You may also want to look at the costs of University accommodation on p30.

## Paying your fees

Tuition fees are charged for each year of study and are due at the start of the academic year. Some international students may be required to pay a proportion of their tuition fees before their arrival at Kent. An instalment plan is available but, if you pay the full year's tuition fee before 31 August, you are granted an early payment discount of 2%.

**Undergraduate students who pay for their entire degree (three or four years of tuition fees) by 31 August have the fees frozen at the start of the course and receive a 5% discount on the total cost.**

For details of the various discount options, please see [www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/student-finance-guide/discounts.html](http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/student-finance-guide/discounts.html)

Fees can be paid by a variety of methods, including online at [epay.kent.ac.uk/epay](http://epay.kent.ac.uk/epay)

### Tuition fees for students from the European Union 2017/18

	Tuition fees
<b>Foundation degrees</b>	£9,000
<b>International Foundation Programme (IFP)</b>	£9,250*
<b>Undergraduate degrees</b>	£9,250†
<b>Postgraduate degrees</b>	
Standard fees (taught/research degrees)	£6,500 / £4,121
Pre-Master's graduate diplomas	
International Management with Management English	£9,250
Non-standard fees: see <a href="http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees">www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees</a>	
Paris/Canterbury and Rome/Canterbury split-site suite of programmes	£7,490
Paris-only suite of programmes	€9,650

For fees for programmes based in Brussels and Athens, see table opposite.

\*Please note, the IFP is not eligible for funding from Student Finance England.

†The University of Kent intends to increase its regulated full-time tuition fees for all Home and EU undergraduates starting in September 2017 from £9,000 to £9,250. This is subject to us satisfying the Government's Teaching Excellence Framework and the access regulator's requirements.

Fees will increase year on year by no more than RPI+3% in each academic year of study, except where regulated. Where fees are regulated (such as by the Department of Business, Innovation & Skills or Research Council UK), they will be increased by an amount up to the permitted increase.

Fee information is correct at the time of going to press.

**Tuition fees for international students (from outside the EU) 2017/18 (unless otherwise stated)**

<b>Non-exchange programme and JYA English Plus (fees quoted are for 2016/17)</b>	<b>Tuition fees</b>
• Non-exchange programme (September to June)	£13,500
• JYA English PLUS (full-length/part-length)	£13,500 / £9,800
• Non-exchange programme autumn (fall) semester (three months)	£5,060
• Non-exchange programme spring semester (five months)	£8,440

**Pre-sessional English courses (fees quoted are for 2016/17)**

Fees including accommodation are yet to be confirmed, please see [www.kent.ac.uk/internationalpathways/pre-sessional/pre-coursedates.html](http://www.kent.ac.uk/internationalpathways/pre-sessional/pre-coursedates.html) for details.

• 37-week course	£9,520
• 28-week course	£7,280
• 17-week course	£4,880
• 10-week course	£3,050
• Eight-week pre-January IFP	£2,240
• Six-week course	£1,830
• Six-week (Brussels) course	€TBC
• Five-week course	£1,000

**Degree programmes**

International Foundation Programme (IFP) £13,810

**Undergraduate degrees**

Standard non-laboratory programmes £13,810

Lab-based or practical programmes £16,480

Year in Industry £1,350

Year studying at a partner university £1,350

**Pre-Master's graduate diploma**

International Management with Management English £13,810

**Postgraduate degrees (taught)**

Standard non-laboratory £14,670

Standard lab-based practical courses £16,720

Some programmes have non-standard fees, these include:

Actuarial Science PDip £14,250

Management suite of programmes (KBS) MSc £16,240

Master of Business Administration MBA £20,675

**Postgraduate degrees (research)**

Standard non-laboratory £13,810

Standard lab-based practical courses £16,480

**Brussels School of International Studies (postgraduate)**

Taught programmes £17,350 (90 ECTS)

£24,700 (120 ECTS)

Research programmes €9,100

Please note that the Two Capitals and the extended programmes (two years)

are subject to a different fee structure; please contact [ukbapplications@kent.ac.uk](mailto:ukbapplications@kent.ac.uk)

Paris/Canterbury and Rome/Canterbury split-site suite of programmes (postgraduate) £14,670

Paris-only suite of programmes (postgraduate) £17,600

Athens Heritage Management (postgraduate) £7,500

Fees will increase year on year by no more than RPI+3% in each academic year of study, except where regulated. Where fees are regulated (such as by the Department of Business, Innovation & Skills or Research Council UK), they will be increased by an amount up to the permitted increase.

Fee information is correct at the time of going to press; for the most up-to-date information and for details of other non-standard fees, see [www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees](http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees)

## FEES AND FUNDING (CONT)

### Funding

The University offers a wide variety of financial support and scholarships. The figures quoted below apply to the 2016/17 academic year.

### Students from outside the European Union (EU)

Scholarships for our international students include our International Scholarships for Undergraduate Students and International Scholarships for Taught Master's Students, each worth £5,000 per annum towards the cost of tuition fees.

We also offer one International Pathways Scholarship, which covers the full tuition fee for a student on a Pre-Master's graduate diploma programme.

### Accepted loans

The University of Kent participates in the William D Ford Federal Direct Loan Program for students who are US citizens. The University also accepts Canadian student loans. See [www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships)

### Students from the EU

(Please note: EU status depends on nationality and residency.) Scholarships and studentships for students from the EU include:

#### Undergraduate study

- Tuition fee loan – EU undergraduate students can apply for a UK government loan to cover the cost of tuition fees. See [www.gov.uk/student-finance](http://www.gov.uk/student-finance) for details.

#### Postgraduate study

- UK Research Council funding; tuition fees only
- European jointly supervised PhD (Cotutelle) scholarships; students must be registered for a jointly supervised award with another university in the EU.

- Postgraduate loans of up to £10,000 for Master's programmes. See [www.gov.uk/postgraduate-loan](http://www.gov.uk/postgraduate-loan)

### Scholarships open to all students

In addition to those listed below, there are also scholarships for specific subjects; check your academic school website.

### Creative and sports scholarships

- University Music Performance Scholarships – between £1,000 and £2,000 a year
- University and external partner sports scholarships – between £300 and £5,000 a year





### Undergraduate study

- The Kent Scholarship for Academic Excellence automatically awards University scholarships of £2,000 per year to all students who achieve the following grades at A level: A\*A\*A\*; A\*A\*A; A\*AA; AAA; A\*A\*B; A\*AB; A\*A\*C or equivalent, such as International Baccalaureate 35 points or more, including a minimum of 15 points for Higher Level subjects. For other equivalents, see [www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships)

### Postgraduate study

- Scholarships for study at our centres in Brussels, Paris and Rome

- Our University Research Doctoral Scholarships are available for three years and provide fees at the home/EU rate and a maintenance stipend equivalent to the UK Research Council rate (£14,296 per annum in 2016/17). We also offer partial scholarships for academic excellence.

### Graduate Teaching Assistantships

Graduate Teaching Assistantships (GTAs) offer full-time postgraduate research students a combined salary and maintenance grant. For details, see [www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/postgraduate](http://www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/postgraduate)

### Loyalty scheme

If you are already a Kent graduate, or have parents or siblings who completed degrees at Kent, you may be eligible for our 10% loyalty discount on your first year's tuition fees. (The scheme is also suitable for those studying for a degree at the same time as a spouse/sibling or civil partner.) For details, see [www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees/loyaltydiscount.html](http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees/loyaltydiscount.html)

### FIND OUT MORE

[www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships)  
[www.kent.ac.uk/pgfunding](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pgfunding)  
[www.kent.ac.uk/ugfunding](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ugfunding)

# HOW TO FIND OUT MORE

**We are always happy to help. You can contact us by email or telephone, meet Kent members of staff at an education fair in your country, or talk to one of our overseas representatives.**

## **By telephone or email** **International Recruitment**

(Students from outside the EU)  
T: +44 1227 824904  
E: [international@kent.ac.uk](mailto:international@kent.ac.uk)

## **Recruitment and Admissions**

(EU students)  
T: +44 1227 827272  
E: [information@kent.ac.uk](mailto:information@kent.ac.uk)  
[www.kent.ac.uk](http://www.kent.ac.uk)

## **In your own country**

### **Fairs and exhibitions**

Members of the University, including academics, regularly visit fairs and exhibitions overseas. For details of our next visit to your country, see [www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent](http://www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent)

### **Overseas representatives**

Kent has overseas representatives around the world. They can give you up-to-date advice on the courses at Kent, the application process, visa requirements and details about living and studying in the UK.

To get contact details for your local overseas representative, see: [www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent](http://www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent)

### **Watch online**

For a sense of the teaching style at Kent, take a look at our new 'Think Kent' lectures. Similar in style to 'TED Talks', these ten to 15-minute videos feature leading Kent academics talking about their research and the international impact of their work. See [www.youtube.com/UniversityofKent](http://www.youtube.com/UniversityofKent)

### **Visiting the UK**

You can also visit us in the UK to see the campuses and find out everything you need to know. We offer Open Days, Applicant Days and postgraduate events. Friends and family are all welcome. For details, see [www.kent.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.kent.ac.uk/opendays)

### **Open Days**

Our Open Days are big events suitable for everyone and offering information on all our courses. These take place at our Medway and Canterbury campuses with representatives from the various academic schools. This makes it a good way to see what's on offer. There are also tours, so you are able to get a taste of what the campus environment is like and look at accommodation, sport, library and leisure facilities.

### **Canterbury campus**

Saturday 8 October 2016  
Saturday 22 October 2016  
Saturday 1 July 2017

### **Medway campus**

Saturday 15 October 2016  
Saturday 17 June 2017

For later dates, see [www.kent.ac.uk/visit](http://www.kent.ac.uk/visit)

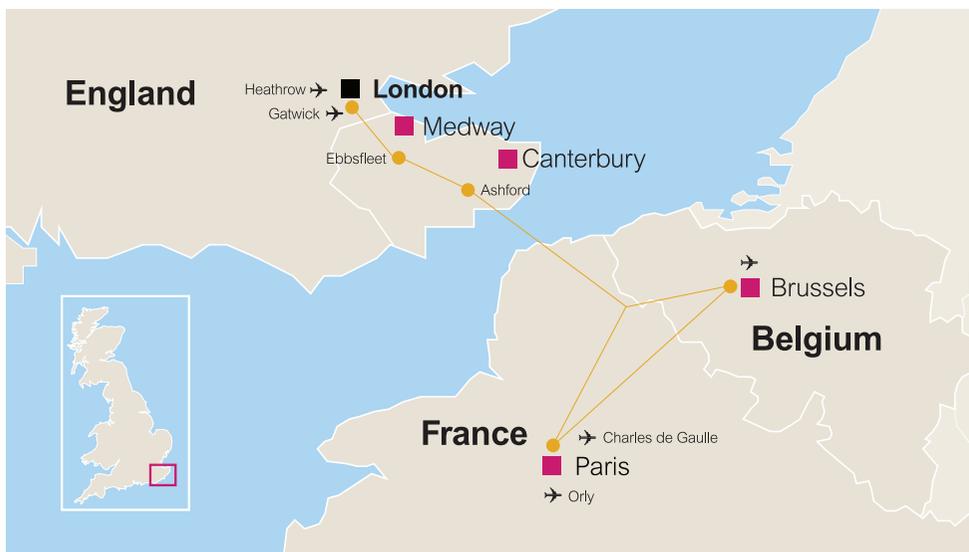
### **Applicant Days**

Applicant Days are for those who have already applied to Kent (for an undergraduate degree). They give you an in-depth guide to studying your subject at Kent. You hear presentations from academic staff and have the chance to ask lots of questions. You also get a tour of the campus with one of our current students.

See [www.kent.ac.uk/visit](http://www.kent.ac.uk/visit) for details.

### **Postgraduate events**

We run open events at our UK campuses and European centres across the year. These enable you to meet academic and admissions staff and give you the chance to find out more about the courses on offer, studying at Kent and how to apply for funding.



### Informal visits

You are also welcome to make an informal visit to our campuses at any time. The University runs tours of the Canterbury and Medway campuses throughout the year for anyone who is unable to attend an Open Day or Applicant Day.

It may also be possible to arrange meetings with academic staff, although we cannot guarantee this. For more details and to book your place, see [www.kent.ac.uk/informal](http://www.kent.ac.uk/informal)

Alternatively, we can provide you with a self-guided tour leaflet, which includes the main points of interest. For more details and to download a self-guided tour, go to [www.kent.ac.uk/informal](http://www.kent.ac.uk/informal)

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For the University to operate efficiently, it needs to process information about you for administrative, academic and health and safety reasons. Any offer we make to you is subject to your consent to process such information and is a requirement in order for you to be registered as a student. All students must agree to abide by the University rules and regulations at: [www.kent.ac.uk/regulations](http://www.kent.ac.uk/regulations)

### Term dates 2017/18

<b>Welcome Week</b>	18 September – 22 September 2017
<b>Autumn term</b>	25 September – 15 December 2017
<b>Spring term</b>	15 January – 6 April 2018
<b>Summer term</b>	7 May – 15 June 2018

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