WELCOME FROM THE DEAN

I am honoured to lead the Graduate and Researcher College at the University of Kent, which supports, leads and champions our thriving postgraduate community. Our excellent team helps create a caring and stimulating intellectual and social environment, regardless of whether you study at one of our UK campuses at Canterbury or Medway or at one of our European centres in Brussels or Paris; or even further afield at a partner institution.

We are especially proud of our diverse student body and our European and international staff, and we believe that not only does the University benefit from this intellectual and cultural diversity, but that it is also beneficial to the wider society. The Graduate and Researcher College works closely with academic schools and centres to enhance the quality of the postgraduate student experience across all campuses and for all students, and to develop vibrant postgraduate communities embedded in excellent teaching and research.

I look forward to welcoming you to Kent and working with you to ensure excellence in all aspects of your postgraduate study experience.

Professor Paul Allain
Dean of the Graduate and Researcher College

Teaching Excellence Framework

Based on the evidence available, the TEF Panel judged that the University of Kent delivers consistently outstanding teaching, learning and outcomes for its students. It is of the highest quality found in the UK.

REF

- 97% of research at Kent was found to be of international quality.
- Following the REF, Kent was ranked in the top 20 for research output and research intensity in the Times Higher Education, outperforming 11 of the 24 Russell Group universities.

Kent online

To find out what our students think, see our online video interviews at www.kent.ac.uk/videoaudio/film
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“At this level the faculty treat you more as a peer than a student and want to give you as much freedom as possible to come up with your own theories and ideas.”

Ashley Osborne, MSc Infectious Diseases
In the most recent Research Excellence Framework, 97% of Kent’s research was judged to be of international quality. Interdisciplinary, international and highly influential, our research addresses some of the most critical issues of our time. It has changed policy and improved lives.

Whether you’re studying on a taught or research programme, you benefit from the range and quality of the research at Kent. Our research underpins our teaching, which means you learn about the latest developments from those whose work is extending the boundaries of their field.

Our academics are involved in research that could lead to new approaches to cancer treatment; end plastic pollution; improve UK productivity; and create original forms of poetry and creative writing.

We live in challenging times. The world needs innovative thinkers prepared to work to address current problems, envisage what might be ahead, and find ways of living that sustain our world and our wellbeing.

Recent and current PhD students have worked in areas including: the gig economy; wildlife trade; film and drama practice; autism, intellectual disability and community care; social justice; philanthropy; charting resistance activities in WW2 in Paris.

Kent helps you to develop as a researcher, through initiatives like our Researcher Development Programme, which helps you to acquire specialist and transferable skills. You are supported by a thriving intellectual community that includes staff and students from all our locations.

Research needs an open mind, resilience, a willingness to ask, and answer, difficult questions and the ability to collaborate. It also needs funding.

We currently attract external funding that regularly exceeds £18 million per annum. We have doctoral training partnerships with several bodies which give you access to a range of funding. These include:

- Advanced Research and Innovation in the Environmental Sciences (ARIES, NERC)
- Consortium for the Humanities and the Arts South-East England (CHASE, AHRC)
- Global Challenges Doctoral Centre (GCDC)
- South Coast Biosciences (SoCoBio) Doctoral Training Partnership
- South East Network for Social Sciences (SeNSS, ESRC).

In many areas, our research is leading the way and has had a positive impact on people’s lives. Discover more overleaf.
Opposing indefinite detention
What is the reality of indefinite detention in the UK? In a collaborative project called Refugee Tales, asylum seekers and refugees share their experiences with authors such as Ali Smith, Abdulrazak Gurnah and Monica Ali. The result is a set of compelling stories and a literary event that’s like no other – taking place on a long trek through the English countryside.

Working towards equality
Is a woman’s leadership potential more likely to be overlooked than a man’s? Do flexible hours help or hinder mothers who are working part-time? Do men and women get different advice when considering a senior role? Our research is bringing clarity to many questions of gender equality.
Improving global nutrition
With its large population of vegetarians, India is a country where one billion people have low levels of vitamin B12. To tackle the problem, our scientists have teamed up with researchers in India to develop a biotechnology solution that doesn’t rely on animal products. The discoveries they’ve made could eventually solve the global epidemic of B12 malnutrition.

Understanding the ‘unbelievers’
What do agnostics and atheists believe? A Kent-led research project confounded expectations by revealing that most agnostics and atheists believe in supernatural powers and in the ‘forces of good and evil’. The results were presented in an academic conference held at the Vatican.

Understanding autism
Think of an imaginary world – brought to life using drama, puppetry and multi-sensory environments. For autistic children and practitioners, creating and playing in these imaginary worlds can enhance both communication and empathy. Our researchers were pioneers in this field and their latest work explores the experiences of girls with a diagnosis of autism.
OUR CHANGING WORLD

Kent’s Durrell Institute of Conservation and Ecology (DICE) was awarded the Queen’s Anniversary Prize in 2019 for its pioneering work to conserve biodiversity. Established in 1989, DICE research has had a major impact nationally and internationally. This includes innovative work to tackle the illegal trade in ivory and other wildlife products, as well as projects with local partners in Asia and South America to reduce deforestation and protect orangutans, sun bears and jaguars.

DICE has trained conservation scientists and biodiversity managers from 103 nations who are making a difference around the world. In 2020, two of our alumni, Dr Patricia Medici and Rachel Ikemeh, won Whitley Awards: Patricia for her research into tapirs as conservation flagships in Brazil and Rachel for advancing participatory conservation action for rare chimpanzees in Nigeria. One of our current students, Trang Nguyen, was named as one of the BBC’s top 100 women of 2019 for her work setting up WildAct Vietnam, a charity dedicated to creating a fairer and safer working environment for women in wildlife conservation in her home country.

DICE’s work has inspired the current generation of conservationists, who will in turn inspire the next, as we work to bring about positive change.

“DICE has been at the forefront of conservation training and research for 30 years, bringing together the natural and social sciences and making a real difference on the ground.”

Professor Bob Smith, Director of DICE
JOIN OUR COMMUNITY

Postgraduate life at Kent

Our graduate community includes people returning to study after a break or studying part-time while continuing to advance their career, as well as recent graduates inspired by their studies and intent on discovering more.

Whatever your reasons for deciding on postgraduate study, at Kent you’ll sharpen your focus and hone your skills. You’ll work with outstanding academics who share your passion and can guide you towards new areas in your field.

You’ll be able to take advantage of first-class facilities, national and international links with leading institutions, and funding opportunities through our membership of various consortia. You’ll study with people from across the world whose interests complement yours and whose varied experiences will expand your thinking.

You’ll have opportunities to attend conferences, building your own network of contacts. You can also take part in skills workshops and present your research at our annual Postgraduate Festival.

So, join us at Kent, in Canterbury, Medway, Brussels or Paris and get ready to play your part in tomorrow’s world.

Help when you need it

Postgraduate study is stimulating and challenging. As a graduate, you’re used to making your own decisions, organising your time and completing assignments. If ever you want to talk, though, we are here to listen.

Academic staff will be happy to discuss module choices and dissertation ideas with you, while informal networking opportunities give you the chance to talk with other students. Our Student Learning Advisory Service offers help with study and research skills and can be particularly useful if you are returning to study after a break.

Our wellbeing team can help if you have a disability or need support with emotional or mental health issues. There are also support teams in our schools, advice services run by our student unions (Kent Union and GKSU) as well as faith communities, all ready to listen.

We know that you’re motivated and have the intellectual and practical skills to succeed. From time to time though, you might need more support. So, when you do, just ask.

“When you get here, you see that everyone is willing and able to help you. No-one expects you to know everything.”

Oscar Lloret de Muller, MSc Microbiology
As a postgraduate you need to hit the ground running. Our welcome events give you all the information you need. New to Kent? We’ll show you where everything is. If you’re a Kent graduate, we’ll reveal the places only postgrads can go.

At the heart of our international and diverse community is the Graduate and Researcher College. We work closely with schools and centres, to develop innovative and distinctive programmes; ensure that as postgraduates you have access to the resources you need, including study hubs exclusively for you; and run training programmes and workshops to help you further develop specialist research and transferable skills.

We cultivate relationships with Research Councils, graduate schools and other organisations, regionally, nationally and internationally, so that you have access to additional funding and study opportunities.

For research students we run a Researcher Development Programme (see p3) while our taught Master’s students can participate in our Global Skills Award Programme. This helps you broaden your understanding of global issues and current affairs and also enhances your employability skills.

We put your voice at the centre of what we do, welcoming students onto our governing body, listening to their ideas and acting on suggestions. Kent Union, the students’ union, also has an elected Vice-President for Postgraduate Experience, who works with students to ensure they have the support they need and organises social and academic-related events.
“As President of KGSA, I want to create the best possible community for postgraduate students. By finding new ways to communicate, so we all know what’s happening across the University, and by putting on a range of events, social and academic, I hope to bring all postgraduates together.” 

Zoe Horsham, Kent Graduate Student Association (KGSA) President

And relax…

Postgraduate study, while exhilarating, is also intense and demanding. When you need a break, there’s lots to do at Kent.

There are hundreds of student societies you could join. If you’re a musician, you could become a member of our Chorus, Symphony Orchestra, Concert and Big Bands, Chamber Choir or one of the many other ensembles.

Keeping active has a positive effect on your wellbeing. So take advantage of the sports facilities at our Canterbury campus. These include: a fitness suite, indoor and outdoor tennis and netball pitches, and Astro and grass pitches. There’s fitness classes too. Everyone is welcome.

The Kent Graduate Student Association (KGSA) is run by volunteers who are passionate about creating a strong and caring postgraduate community, so why not get involved. KGSA organises social events from pizza and film nights to an end-of-year celebration, Woolf Fest. Kent Union also runs a Postgraduate Network and Buddy Scheme, as well as weekly tea breaks and regular coffee mornings.
The world on campus

At Kent, you’ll meet people from different backgrounds, of different ages and from different countries. With 159 nationalities on campus, the world is on your doorstep.

International community
If you’re coming to Kent from outside the UK, you’ll find a diverse and inclusive community. There’s lots of practical support to help you settle in, including trips to local attractions and a buddy scheme where you can chat to people from your home country and compare experiences.

We have been welcoming international students for many years, so can offer specialist advice from application stage, throughout your studies, up to graduation and beyond. Wang Peng came from China to study with us: “It takes only one year to get a Master’s degree at Kent, so it’s economically efficient. I liked the location too: Canterbury is a beautiful city – it’s close to London but not nearly as expensive.” Wherever in the world you’re from, studying at Kent will broaden your horizons.

English language support
Details of the English language requirements for our courses are on p200. If you need to improve your English language ability before you start your studies, you can take one of our pre-sessional courses in English for Academic Purposes. They range in length from four to 17 weeks and as well as improving your English language, introduce you to the UK university learning style. Once here, you can further improve your English by taking our free English language lessons.

We’d love to meet you, in-person or online, at one of our Open Days. If you want to visit, but can’t make it to an Open Day, we can arrange an individual tour. Or, you could talk to one of our representatives in your country about life at Kent. See www.kent.ac.uk/international for details.
“International is probably the best word to describe my fellow students. Among the postgraduate community at Kent, there’s people from all over the world and it’s been great getting the chance to build friendships with people from different countries.”

Valeria Minisini, MA International Relations with International Law
For a patient with a severe brain injury, who is in a non-responsive state, it’s important to know the patient’s level of consciousness. It’s not an easy question to answer because some patients may have ‘locked in syndrome’ – being unable to respond while still maintaining a level of awareness.

One way to test for consciousness is to perform an MRI scan while the patient is being asked to imagine an activity, such as playing tennis. One problem with this method however is that a brain injury can affect the ability to understand language. Another problem is that a large proportion of patients are just too badly injured to be put in to an MRI scanner.

Fortunately, neuroscience is a rapidly evolving field. Dr Srivas Chennu at the University of Kent has used recent advances to come up with a groundbreaking method. Demonstrating on a healthy adult, Dr Chennu says: ‘We use what looks like a bathing cap to place the electrodes on the skull and measure minor electrical activity. From that data, we can show patterns of connections in the brain.’

The healthy brain produces a very specific pattern – a band of connections that displays on screen as a colourful mohawk. Because neuroscientists have found that this pattern actually relates to levels of consciousness, that provides a clinical breakthrough. Doctors no longer have to rely on language or an MRI scan. Testing for the ‘mohawk of consciousness’ is safer, cheaper and can happen at the bedside.

“The science of consciousness is helping us to assess how aware a patient might be.”

Dr Srivas Chennu, School of Computing
Canterbury campus

Our Canterbury campus has plenty of green spaces, fields and woods. You’ll find it a friendly and safe place to stay. It’s on a hill above the city of Canterbury and there’s a fantastic view across the campus slopes to Canterbury’s beautiful, world-famous cathedral – a great place for a selfie.

At the heart of the campus is the stunning Templeman Library. Recently extended, it has fantastic academic resources as well as a café. There are lots of other cafés, restaurants and bars on campus, as well as a sports centre, theatre, cinema and music performance building. There’s also graduate student accommodation in Woolf College, Darwin Houses, Keynes studio flats and Darwin studio flats, launderettes in various places across campus, and a medical centre.

If you want to explore Kent’s campus at Medway, the University provides a free shuttle bus that runs between each location during term time.

“The facilities on campus are really great. There are a lot of study spaces providing the opportunity for silent study up to social/group study. Also the library is an amazing resource.”

Rebecca Barton-Hagger, MA Linguistics
Make the most of our environment
Our campus provides plenty of outdoor spaces where you can catch up with friends.

The view from the air
The Canterbury campus was built on 300 acres of beautiful parkland and as our aerial shot shows it still has plenty of green spaces, fields and woods.
The Templeman Library
An outstanding resource, our library has spaces for silent, individual and group study. Our expert staff won the Times Higher Award for Outstanding Library Team in 2019 for inventive and innovative work that sought to transform the student experience.

Award-winning architecture
The RIBA award-winning Sibson Building is home to Kent Business School and the School of Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Science. Its café is popular with all students.
Into the city

Canterbury is a fascinating place to live. Steeped in history, its quaint cobbled streets and spectacular cathedral make it a fun place to wander around. Add in the many pubs and cafés, a great range of well-known high street stores and quirky shops, the Marlowe Theatre, Curzon cinema, and venues such as The Pound at One Pound Lane and The Ballroom and you'll find there's plenty to keep you busy day and night.

What our students love about Canterbury

The Marlowe Theatre – West End productions as well as creative activities, river tours, walking down the university hill on a sunny day!

Revivals, a vintage shop on the high street, is just like Aladdin's cave. It's packed full of clothes, shoes and accessories and great if you're after a bit of fancy dress.

Dane John Gardens is a great place to relax and it hosts the annual food and drink festival, which is amazing.

Day trips

Whitstable – Just a bus ride from campus, Whitstable is famous for its fresh seafood and pebbly beach, but now also boasts a thriving arts scene and plenty of live music venues. Definitely worth a visit.

Margate – Take the train from Canterbury West and you can be in Margate in just over half an hour. As well as the sandy beach, there is the wonderful Turner Contemporary gallery, the iconic Dreamland amusement park, lots of vintage shops, and plenty of places to buy chips and candyfloss.

London – London is less than an hour away on the high-speed rail service, giving you a great opportunity to explore one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the world.

“Canterbury is small enough a place to find plenty of calm and quiet while working, but there's enough going on that you always have something to do. And an hour by train from London means a day trip is always an option.”

Katrine Solvaag, Poetry PhD
Medway campus

Our Medway campus reinvents a former naval base as a 21st-century study space, which makes for an unusual and dramatic backdrop to your studies.

The campus has two sites, both of which house fantastic facilities for our professionally focused courses. The Pembroke site is home to the Drill Hall Library, various cafés, and our Student Hub, while the Historic Dockyard includes the Galvanising Café and performance spaces for our talented music students. The Dockyard is a remarkable space, one of the busiest film locations in the South East and a real creative hub for the area. Our student accommodation is less than half an hour’s walk from campus.

We share the campus with two other universities which means there’s a good mix of students and a friendly atmosphere. There are lots of local students on campus who can help you to discover the area.

If you want to explore Kent’s campus at Canterbury, the University provides a free shuttle bus that runs between each location during term time.
Drill Hall Library
A focal point on the Pembroke site, the Drill Hall has extensive online and print resources, spaces for silent, individual and group study and expert staff on hand to help.

Bringing a historic site back to life
Historic buildings such as the Drill Hall (above) have been renovated and adapted for study. They sit alongside award-winning modern buildings, creating a unique campus environment.
The Pilkington Building

We share the Medway campus with two other universities and the Pilkington building, with its large café, is a place where students from all universities get together.

And relax ...

The Deep End hosts events throughout the year, including film screenings, theme nights and guest DJ spots. There’s a café too, serving tasty food throughout the day.
Into the towns

The Medway campus is close to Rochester and Chatham with their excellent facilities and intriguing histories. Rochester’s impressive cathedral is well worth a visit, and there’s a good mix of well-known high-street names and independent shops to explore. Chatham is home to two theatres, the Dockside retail outlet and a whole host of excellent sporting facilities. In both towns, there are lots of places to stop for coffee or lunch, and you’ll also find bars and restaurants down by the riverside.

What our students love about Medway

Casino Rooms in Rochester is a student-friendly nightclub with weekend party nights, live acts and regular DJ sets.

Bluewater – 300 stores, a multiplex cinema, a nature trail, a trampoline park, an urban beach, boating on the lake, as well as all the restaurants: what’s not to like?

The Strand for taking it easy by the water on a sunny day and Capstone Farm Country Park for the cycle trail.

Day trips

Chatham Snowsports Centre – Less than an hour from campus by bus, you can ride the longest toboggan run in the UK, show off your skiing skills, or take the easy route and slide down the slope in a sno-tube. Great stress-buster!

Margate – Take the train from Chatham and you can be in Margate in an hour. As well as the sandy beach, there is the wonderful Turner Contemporary gallery, the iconic Dreamland amusement park, lots of vintage shops and plenty of places to buy chips and candyfloss.

London – London is around an hour away, giving you a great opportunity to explore one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the world.
Brussels School of International Studies

Study in Brussels, the ‘capital of Europe’, home to NATO, the EU and the European Commission, and the ideal place to meet policymakers and take part in discussions that influence global economic, legal and political strategy.

At Kent’s Brussels School of International Studies (BSIS), we offer courses in the fields of international relations, conflict, development, migration and law. All teaching is in English and your teachers include practitioners, who offer insights into current practice. You have access to first-class facilities at BSIS as well as at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel.

You’ll be part of an engaged, international community of graduates, sharing opinions, having debates and shaping the future. You can gain additional skills by taking part in our student forums, getting involved with our annual conference, which attracts participants from across Europe and further afield, and by submitting articles to the Journal of International Studies.

We help you to settle in to a new city, support you academically and, through our careers advisory service, prepare you for a successful future.

Brussels is known for its political community but it also has a rich cultural life with many music and film festivals and exhibitions, plus a great number of cafés, bars and restaurants, excellent shopping – from large gallery shopping centres to colourful local markets – and world-class chocolate.

Find out more at: www.kent.ac.uk/brussels

Programmes
  • Comparative Politics PhD
  • EU External Relations MA
  • Human Rights Law LLM
  • International Conflict Analysis PhD
  • International Conflict and Security MA
  • International Development MA
  • International Law LLM
  • International Migration MA
  • International Political Economy MA
  • International Relations PhD
  • International Relations MA
  • Law PhD
  • Political and Social Thought PhD
  • Political Strategy and Communication MA
Paris School of Arts and Culture

Paris has been at the heart of European culture for centuries and remains a centre of contemporary creativity. At Kent’s Paris School of Arts and Culture you study in English, with students from around the world, taking inspiration from this iconic city.

The School offers courses in the arts and humanities that capitalise on the city’s heritage and culture. Alongside your seminars, trips are an integral part of your studies. Guided by internationally respected academics they bring theory to life. And, with access to Paris’s libraries, museums and galleries, you have all you need to excel in your studies.

You are based in the historic district of Montparnasse, at the Columbia Global Center, known as Reid Hall. We help you to settle in to a new city, support you academically and, by ensuring you gain transferable skills, prepare you for a successful future.

The School is part of a thriving academic community that includes students and staff from US universities. There’s lots to do: a weekly series of talks and readings, an annual week-long cultural festival, which includes the launch of The Menteur, a literary and arts magazine produced by our students.

An intellectual and creative hub, Paris is an exciting city to live in. It’s easy to walk around, has beautiful gardens, great shopping, including superb local markets, theatres, cinemas and, of course, wonderful food.

Find out more at www.kent.ac.uk/paris

Programmes
- Architecture and Urban Design MA
- Creative Writing MA
- Film MA
- History and Philosophy of Art MA
Your home away from home

You probably have great memories of time spent living in university accommodation as an undergraduate. Our postgraduate accommodation gives you the experience of community living, while also understanding that you might need a little more ‘quiet’ time.

One of the best things about living in University accommodation is that it’s worry free: bills are included, as is internet access, and interesting company is pretty much guaranteed.

There are lots of options, all of which are self-catered, and some, such as Woolf College, are exclusively for postgraduate students. As well as en-suite rooms, Woolf also has a social room where you can get to know your fellow students. If your study period is less than 12 months, you can stay in Darwin Houses just across the road from Woolf. It’s set in a lovely rose garden where you can sit with friends to chat about life, Twitter storms, and dissertations. There are also studio flats available, which are suitable for single or double occupancy.

Our accommodation in Pier Quays in Medway is part of a riverside development, less than half an hour from campus. You can discover all you need to know about your home at Kent and take a virtual tour at: www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation

Students at our Brussels and Paris centres can find information on accommodation at www.kent.ac.uk/brussels or www.kent.ac.uk/paris
The sight of the clock tower known as ‘Big Ben’ is one of Britain’s most iconic views. But did you know that this beautiful tower is also a functional feature of a 19th-century ventilation system?

Dr Henrik Schoenefeldt from the University of Kent is contributing to the restoration of the Palace of Westminster by mapping its Victorian ventilation system. For example, in the ceiling of the House of Lords, you can see gilded letters around the square panels. But how many of us would realise that these are also vents, once used to extract hot air from the chamber? And the Tudor roses that are visible in the coving? They also once served another purpose, to allow fresh air to be transported into the gallery.

Mapping this maze of Victorian voids is vital to the restoration project. There’s a need to replace the infrastructure in the building and much of the mechanical and electrical work can make use of the voids being discovered. But there is also a more intriguing possibility.

Could elements of the ventilation system ever be made to work again? It’s a tantalising prospect and one that could help this Victorian building become carbon-neutral – uniting the aims of the 21st century with some very clever ideas from the past.

“To take my knowledge, develop it and be able to feed it directly into the process of restoration – that fills me with a sense of pride.”

Dr Henrik Schoenefeldt, Kent School of Architecture and Planning
YOUR FINANCES

Funding

Scholarships

We know that funding your postgraduate study is a really important part of your decision making. We’ve listed below some of the options that you might be interested in.

Kent has a multimillion-pound dedicated scholarship fund to support our taught and research students with their tuition fees and living costs. This includes full awards to support doctoral researchers, tuition fee awards for taught Master’s students, discounts for Kent graduates and scholarships for overseas students.

Kent also offers scholarships in music and sport for those who excel in those areas.

All of our scholarships are listed on our website: www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships

Doctoral training partnerships

The University’s membership of the following consortia gives you access to a range of funding.

South East Network for Social Sciences (SeNSS)

The University is a member of SeNSS, which offers PhD studentships across a range of social science disciplines. The collaboration unites an academic community of over 100 social science units and provides significant expertise in both quantitative and qualitative research methods.

Consortium for the Humanities and the Arts South-East England (CHASE)

We are also a partner within CHASE, which is at the forefront of arts and humanities research. CHASE’s doctoral programme offers over 50 PhD studentships across the Consortium, including at Kent.

NERC (Natural Environment Research Council)

Kent has been successful in being awarded NERC PhD scholarships through its membership of the Advanced Research and Innovation in the Environmental Sciences (ARIES) Doctoral Training Partnership.

Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC)

Kent receives an EPSRC Doctoral Training grant which provides PhD studentships in engineering, maths and the physical sciences.

University of Kent Global Challenges Doctoral Centre (GCDC)

Kent has established a Global Challenges Doctoral Centre (GCDC) dedicated to research addressing the challenges of economic development and wellbeing faced by developing countries on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Development Assistance Committee (DAC) list.
The GCDC offers PhD scholarships annually and provides a virtual and physical ‘location’ to discuss and undertake research which identifies solutions to global challenges.

South Coast Biosciences (SoCoBio)
Kent is part of the BBSRC-funded SoCoBio Doctoral Training Partnership, with the Universities of Southampton, Sussex and Portsmouth and the horticultural and agricultural research institute NIAB EMR. SoCoBio offers fully funded PhD studentships in bioscience research.

Research council funding at Kent
- Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)
- Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC).

Other sources of funding
- Postgraduate loans for Master’s and PhD students are available to eligible UK students
- Part-time work opportunities are available through the Postgraduate Student Ambassador Scheme and the Kent Union Jobshop.

Tuition fees

UK-based programmes
The tuition fees below are for 2021/22 unless otherwise stated. For non-standard fees, see www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees/tuition

UK* students
Standard taught
£8,100
Standard research
£4,407 (2020/21)

International students
Standard laboratory taught programmes
£20,500
Standard non-laboratory taught programmes
£16,800
Standard laboratory research programmes
£20,500
Standard non-laboratory research programmes
£16,800

*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 UKRI), they will be increased by an amount up to the permitted increase.

Programmes based outside the UK
Please note that programmes delivered outside the UK are subject to different fee structures. Paris-only programmes as well as programmes in Brussels are charged in euros rather than sterling. Details of the fees can be found on our website: www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees

Payment of tuition fees
Fees are paid in advance at the beginning of each academic year. There are three main ways of paying:
- in full
- in two instalments – 50% on or before registration, and 50% by 1 December 2021
- if you are in receipt of a postgraduate loan from the Student Loans Company then you are able to pay your fees in three equal instalments.

Living costs
Each student has different circumstances, so to help you estimate your living costs, we provide an online calculator at www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/livingcosts.html

Financial opportunities for Kent students
Make sure to visit the postgraduate funding pages on our website (kent.ac.uk/pgfunding) where you’ll find the most up-to-date information and our useful Scholarships Finder search tool.
Excellent prospects

Over 97% of Kent graduates who responded to the most recent national survey of graduate destinations were in work or further study within six months (DLHE 2017).

A comprehensive package of extra-curricular activities including skills development training programmes such as the Researcher Development Programme and Global Skills Award for Master’s students.

The Hub for Innovation and Enterprise (HIVE) offers practical help with enterprise skills and runs talks and workshops led by industry specialists.

Professionally accredited programmes across many of our subject areas.

An award-winning Careers and Employability Service offering personal guidance and advice on interview technique, assessment centres and career planning.

Volunteering and paid work opportunities to help enhance your career prospects.

An academic community which enables you to build international networks to successfully compete in a global workplace.

Opportunities to undertake part of your studies or research abroad, developing new skills and awareness of different cultures.
A postgraduate degree expands your mind. Studying in Kent’s multicultural environment, you develop a global perspective and learn to address complex issues in critical and creative ways.

Our graduates are successful not only because they can demonstrate a high level of subject knowledge but also because they have been able to develop the transferable skills employers look for. The diagram on the left gives you an idea of the many initiatives open to you. These help you to build networks, improve your organisational, research and communication skills, and develop skills in negotiation that will help you to succeed both as a collaborative teamworker and as a leader.

We know that many of you will be taking a postgraduate degree to improve your career prospects. A graduate degree can set you apart, as Naila Alakbarova, a graduate of our MBA programme found: “In Azerbaijan I work in the banking industry – the fact that I’ve coped with an MBA definitely makes me more attractive to potential employers. It adds value to my CV. I’ve already had several job offers and I’ve chosen the most interesting one with the highest level of responsibility.”

Our graduates work for world-leading companies and organisations such as Renault, Accenture, the Government Statistical Service, Cancer Research UK, Guardian News & Media, the European Commission, Deutsche Bank and Lucasfilm.

For those looking to progress into a career in academia, our Researcher Development Programme ensures you gain the skills you need. There might also be opportunities to undertake some teaching as part of your PhD studies, which helps you to gain practical experience within a supportive environment. All of our research students are encouraged to attend, and even to run, conferences so that they gain experience of presenting their own work and by meeting other scholars in their field begin to establish a professional network.

Whatever your ambitions for your future, a postgraduate qualification from Kent can help you achieve them.

“A graduate degree is, without any doubt, an important part of the package that employers are looking for, together with analytical, communications, interpersonal, and language skills (to name a few). Having a degree from a well-respected institution certainly adds value to the CV.”

Paul Brooks, MA International Conflict and Security (Brussels) now working for Deloitte in Management Consulting
YOUR STUDY CHOICES

Whether you are just starting to consider a postgraduate programme either for professional development or personal interest, or know exactly what, as well as where and how, you want to study, we offer you lots of choice.

Types of study

Taught programmes
A Master’s is the usual level of study, but some programmes also have options for postgraduate certificates, diplomas and stand-alone modules. In addition, some programmes offer distance and blended learning.

Taught programmes are available at all Kent’s locations. Many of our taught degrees include accreditation from relevant professional bodies.

Research programmes
Research Master’s are available in most subjects to prepare you for professional work or a PhD. PhDs are available at Canterbury, Medway and Brussels.

Supervised by world-class researchers, you belong to a dynamic intellectual community of students who take an active role in academic life. You are encouraged to participate in conferences and publish papers. If you are looking for an expert in a particular field, you can search our programmes or use the Find a Supervisor tool.

Ways to study

Many of our students are combining study with a career or caring commitments, so we offer part-time options on the majority of our programmes. Some courses are available through distance learning, including an external PhD for those studying overseas. Typically, a part-time Master’s is studied over two years and a PhD over five. Some of our programmes offer September or January starts.
NEXT STEPS

Choose your programme

Calculate your costs – use our online calculator
www.kent.ac.uk/finance-livingcosts.html

Take a look at the funding options, checking the closing dates and any eligibility criteria

Apply for your programme

Apply for funding – whether a loan or scholarship, or perhaps support from your employer

Check the terms and conditions of your offer and make sure not to miss any deadlines or required documents

Track your application

Keep in touch via Kent’s many social media channels; you’ll also receive emails from your academic school and updates on your student portal (Kent Vision)
Thanks to ‘citizen science’, volunteers from across the UK have gathered valuable data on butterfly and moth species. However, for conservation charities, the analysis of data can often be a challenge. ‘We had some good datasets that were gathering dust because we weren’t sure how to analyse them,’ says Professor Brereton from Butterfly Conservation.

Now, thanks to research by Dr Emily Dennis and Professor Byron Morgan at the University of Kent, these datasets are being put to good use. As Professor Morgan explains: ‘We had equations for our models and realised that there were tricks we could do that made the analysis up to ten times more efficient. That was very exciting!’

These techniques have helped to uncover important information, such as the fact that rural butterflies are faring better than those in urban areas. As Dr Emily Dennis, who now works for Butterfly Conservation, explains: ‘It’s complicated because of the multiple pressures a species might be subject to. But we can now produce better measures of how a species is doing – right down to individual sites.’

This new information can be used to decide which species need more support and can also influence policy in areas such as agri-environmental schemes. As Professor Morgan puts it: ‘To come to the right decisions, based on the right models – I think that’s where we are really going to make a difference.’

“For butterflies and moths, we are lucky to have these great datasets. To work with them is a privilege.”

Dr Emily Dennis, School of Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Science
OUR PROGRAMMES
Actuarial Science

Qualifying as an actuary is a passport to careers in insurance, investments, pensions, health care and banking – not just in the UK, but throughout the world. Kent is one of only a few universities in the UK to teach actuarial science.

The Centre for Actuarial Science, Risk and Investment (CASRI) has been steadily expanding its research capacity, building up a team of internationally renowned academics and research students. Areas of research interest include economic capital and financial risk management; insurance risk classification and loss coverage; and all areas of mortality and longevity research.

Key facts

• Accreditation All of our programmes are fully accredited by the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (IFoA); they also provide a fast-track route to qualifying as an actuary because students who achieve a high enough mark in their studies can obtain exemptions from the professional examinations.

• Postgraduate resources The University has an exclusive arrangement with FIS, a leading global provider of technology for the financial services industry. As a result, our taught postgraduate courses include optional modules on the uses and applications of PROPHET, an industry-standard modelling software.

• Industrial placement Combining your postgraduate degree with relevant employment experience in a full-time, salaried actuarial placement can give you a real competitive advantage. Work placements take place towards the end of your programme. This gives you the opportunity to: apply actuarial knowledge within a work-based environment; gain knowledge and understanding of current practice within the major areas of actuarial work; make a significant contribution to an organisation; and gain valuable work-based skills.

• Professional qualifications The MSc in Actuarial Science offers exemptions from up to six of the IFoA Core Principles subjects. The MSc in Applied Actuarial Science offers exemptions from all three Core Practices subjects, and up to three of the Specialist Principles exams. The International Master’s degree offers exemptions from Core Principles subjects in the first year, and from Core Practices and Specialist Principles subjects in the second year.

• Graduate destinations Our graduates have gone on to work for companies such as: Allied World Assurance, Aviva, EY, Great Eastern Life Insurance, KPMG, Lloyd’s, UBS, Zurich

Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

The modules listed are subject to change. Please contact the School for more detailed information on availability.

Industrial placements

Industrial placements commence in the summer of the first year (Master’s programmes) or second year (International Master’s programme), and end before the August exams in your final year. To be eligible for the award of an MSc with an Industrial Placement, you must meet the requirements for the award of the MSc without a placement and pass both of the placement modules.

MSc in Actuarial Science

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1

MSc in Actuarial Science with an Industrial Placement

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3260

Location: Canterbury

The MSc in Actuarial Science is a one-year, full-time programme for students who have a numerate degree, for example in mathematics, statistics or economics. It offers exemptions from up to six of the IFoA Core Principles examinations. You gain knowledge and understanding of

National ratings

REF 2014, mathematical sciences:

• 100% of our research judged to be of international quality
• 25th for research power

Apply online

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statistical, economic and specific actuarial mathematical techniques at an advanced level and their applications to insurance, covering areas such as actuarial mathematics, actuarial statistics, risk modelling, survival analysis, financial engineering, loss reserving, business finance and business economics.

Applied Actuarial Science MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/174

Applied Actuarial Science with an Industrial Placement MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1218

Location: Canterbury

The MSc in Applied Actuarial Science offers exemptions from the following Core Practices and Specialist Principles examinations. You must take 180 credits for the MSc award.

Course content
Modules include but are not limited to:
• Actuarial Practice (CP1)
• Communication Practice (CP3)
• Modelling Practice (CP2)
• A choice of up to three Specialist Principles subjects.

International Master’s in Applied Actuarial Science
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/176

International Master’s in Applied Actuarial Science with an Industrial Placement
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3258

Location: Canterbury

This course is equivalent to a year covering the Core Principles subjects, followed by the MSc in Applied Actuarial Science. It is for international students with a good first degree (first or upper-second class) in actuarial science, mathematics, statistics or economics or another subject with a high mathematical content, who would like to gain exemptions from subjects in the Core Principles, Core Practices and Specialist Principles stages of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries’ examinations.

Research programme
For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/178

Actuarial Science PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/178

Location: Canterbury

Current research areas include economic capital and financial risk management; insurance risk classification and loss coverage; and all areas of mortality and longevity research.

Research areas
Economic capital and financial risk management
Financial services firms are expected to self-assess and quantify the amount of capital they need to cover the risks they are exposed to. We are involved in developing rigorous risk management techniques to explicitly measure how much risk a firm or pension scheme is taking, holistically, across the entire spectrum of risks it accepts.

Longevity risk
Longevity risk represents a substantial threat to the stability of support programmes for the elderly. We look at modelling the key factors that influence mortality and investigate the positive quadrant dependence between lives through multivariate frameworks.

Public policy aspects of risk classification
Restrictions on risk classification can lead to adverse selection. However, restrictions do exist in many countries, suggesting that policymakers often perceive some merit in such restrictions. From a policymaker’s perspective, it is important that more ‘genuine’ risks, ie, those more likely to suffer loss, buy insurance. We investigate adverse selection and loss coverage under various risk-classification regimes and reconcile with economists’ concepts of social welfare.

Further information
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Staff profile
Vaishnavi Srinivasan
Lecturer in Actuarial Science

Before joining the University of Kent, Vaishnavi worked for Standard Life in Edinburgh and for Standard Life's joint venture in India, HDFC Standard Life. The joint venture was one of the first insurance companies to be set up after the insurance industry in India was opened up to private enterprise and Vaishnavi was part of the project team that worked on getting regulatory approval for the new company.

Her experience in the life industry includes treasury management, pricing, product development, valuation, group life insurance underwriting and business planning. She currently teaches Finance and Investment and the actuarial software PROPHET to postgraduate actuarial science students.

Vaishnavi is a Fellow of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries and a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries of India.
American Studies

Over the last half century, the Centre for American Studies has developed a strong research culture that matches the commitment of the University to interdisciplinary study as well as the mandate of American Studies to explore the US experience in innovative, ground-breaking ways.

Our team of scholars maintain close links with a number of US research institutions and includes several alumni of the Fulbright programme. The Centre is also home to two academic journals, the European Journal of American Culture, edited by John Wills, and Transmotion, edited by David Stirrup.

In recent years, American Studies projects at Kent have received research funding from various bodies, including the Leverhulme Trust, the Arts and Humanities Research Council, the British Academy and the Fulbright Commission. Students have been funded through the Consortium for the Humanities and Arts, South-East England (CHASE) and by internal bursaries and studentships.

Key facts

• **Research of relevance** The Centre engages with contemporary issues in America (and the wider world). In recent years, we have hosted talks on the presidential election, Black Lives Matter, the state of US capitalism, and on elements of US popular culture, such as digital zombies and American Horror Story. We have internationally renowned experts working in the fields of US foreign policy, presidential politics, post-1945 literature, indigenous rights, environmental protest, Cuba, border crossings, and even the US videogame industry.

• **Excellent library resources** These include specialist collections on slavery, Native American culture, a large collection of works on photography and contemporary images, and a slide library, as well as an extensive archive of US papers. The library also houses the British Cartoon Archive.

• **A supportive community** Postgraduate students receive full support from their supervisors and play an active role in the Centre. They benefit from a programme of speakers and workshops. There are regular research seminars as well as annual lectures. If you want to know more about what’s happening at the Centre for American Studies visit our website, like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter.

• **Christine and Ian Bolt Scholarship** This covers the expenses of a period of postgraduate research in the United States.

“"I chose to study at the Centre for American Studies because I come from a history background, but I wanted to broaden my research in an interdisciplinary way and I knew that studying at the Centre would be a great way to achieve this.”

Sarah Smeed, PhD American Studies

Research programme

American Studies MA by Research, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/8

Location: Canterbury

We welcome candidates with a strong research proposal. Members of the Centre for American Studies provide supervision in many aspects of American Studies. Supervision is team-based and reflects the active research interests of the Centre.

Further information
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National ratings
REF 2014

English:
• 10th for research intensity, 15th for research power

History:
• 8th for research intensity, top 20 for research power

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Anthropology

Anthropology takes a holistic approach to human society, combining biological and social perspectives. At Kent, you study with leading academics in the fields of social and biological anthropology, palaeoanthropology, primatology, medical, environmental and visual anthropology.

As a School we engage with local, national and international partners to produce world-leading research that has a positive impact in the wider community. Our large and vibrant postgraduate community participates in timely debates about climate change, human evolution and contemporary socio-political crises.

A postgraduate degree in anthropology can lead to a range of careers including working in non-governmental organisations and the civil service, and in areas such as journalism, documentary filmmaking, conservation and international finance, as well in academia.

Key facts

- **ESRC recognition** All of our anthropology Master’s programmes are recognised by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) as having research training status.

- **Postgraduate resources** Research laboratories for visual anthropology, animal postcranial evolution, virtual palaeoanthropology, biological osteology and ethnobiology; the Visual Anthropology Laboratory has digital and analogue facilities; the Biological Anthropology Laboratory is equipped for osteoarchaeological forensic work and collagen preparation for stable isotope analysis; the Ethnobiology Laboratory serves as a transit station for receiving, examining and redirecting field material.

- **External links** We have close links with the nearby Powell-Cotton Museum which houses an extensive comparative collection of primate and other mammalian material and has one of the largest ethnographic collections in the British Isles.

- **Skeletal holdings** Human skeletal material is curated by the Human Osteology Research Laboratory within the School.

- **Graduate destinations** Environmental and humanitarian NGOs; ethnobotanical collections; civil service; teaching; archaeology; NHS; museums; forensic anthropology; pharmaceuticals. There is a wide range of varied job opportunities related to anthropological specialisations, ranging from applied to theoretical fields.

“I had a foundation in the subject but the MSc enabled me to study it in much greater depth. I feel the course has given me the confidence to use my knowledge as I build my career.”

Emma Street
MSc Forensic Osteology and Field Recovery Methods

National ratings

REF 2014, anthropology:
- 94% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 10th for research power
- top 20 for research impact and research intensity

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, please see our website details below.

We will, in certain circumstances, consider students who have not followed a conventional education path.

Biological Anthropology MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2707
Location: Canterbury

This one-year MSc allows you to focus your studies through one of two routes:

• The Human and Primate Behaviour route combines principles of evolutionary anthropology and the behaviour of human and non-human primates, with aspects of evolutionary, social, cognitive, and forensic psychology.

• The Human Evolutionary Anatomy route focuses on the skeletal biology, functional morphology and evolution of humans and non-human primates.

Each route emphasises the development of original thinking, training in advanced research methods and the production of original research. You gain transferable skills in data collection, and oral and written dissemination of information. There are also professional development opportunities.

Course content

All students take a module in advanced topics in evolutionary anthropology. You can then choose a module focusing on research design and analytical methods to support your research project.

Students on the Human and Primate Behaviour route take a range of modules related to this area. You also select at least one module from options covering areas such as: cognitive psychology; developmental psychopathology; intergroup relations, including within teams and organisations; neuropsychology; and forensic psychology.

Students on the Human Evolutionary Anatomy route also take modules in palaeoanthropology and skeletal functional morphology. You then select at least two modules from options covering areas such as: human osteology and anatomy; human behaviour; primate behaviour; and growth and disease of the human skeleton.

Environmental Anthropology MA, MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/188
Location: Canterbury

You acquire advanced knowledge of the dynamics of human-environment relationships in time and space, with a focus on how people both understand and influence the environment. You study issues such as biocultural diversity, knowledge systems, political ecology, multispecies ethnography, anthropology and conservation, life in the Anthropocene, as well as human adaptation to environmental and climatic change.

You gain practical and evaluative skills and experience of conducting empirical or other applied research. This enables you to pursue advanced degrees or work as a researcher, including in conjunction with national or international environmental bodies, governmental departments and non-governmental organisations.

Course content

You take compulsory modules in anthropological research methods, environmental anthropology, and ethnobiological knowledge systems. You are also able to choose three optional modules (see our website details). You complete a dissertation in environmental anthropology.

There is an option to study this programme as an MA or an MSc, with students who opt for the MSc being offered the opportunity to take conservation modules taught by researchers for the Durrell Institute of Conservation and Ecology (DICE) and the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew.

Ethnobotany MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/189
Location: Canterbury and Kew Gardens, London

This programme combines anthropological studies of human-environment interaction and socio-cultural knowledge of plants in different parts of the world with ecology, conservation science and biodiversity management. It also covers plant conservation and sustainable management practices, taxonomy and economic botany.

The programme is partnered with the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew (a World Heritage Site).

Course content

Your modules cover areas including: the botanical foundations of ethnobotany; contemporary issues in ethnobotany and environmental anthropology; ethnobiological knowledge systems; holism, health and healing; and plant resources and their conservation. You also take research methods modules and complete a dissertation in ethnobotany.
Forensic Osteology and Field Recovery Methods MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1231
Location: Canterbury

This exciting and innovative MSc programme offers practical and lab-based training to provide you with core skills in skeletal identification, biological profiling from hard tissue, methods of excavation, and recovery of human hard tissue.

You learn from real human skeletal material curated in the Human Osteology Research Laboratory, which provides a unique learning opportunity and further develops your deep awareness of professional and ethical standards and practices.

The programme qualifies you for a career, or further postgraduate doctoral study, in forensics, biological anthropology and archaeology.

Course content
Your modules cover areas including human osteology and anatomy; field excavation and recovery methods; forensic methods of identification; forensic physical methods; forensic taphonomy; and growth and disease of the human skeleton. You also take a module covering research design and analytical methods and complete a 12-15,000-word dissertation.

Social Anthropology MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/197
Location: Canterbury

This programme is ideal for students who have studied anthropology, either as a degree course or as part of a degree course at undergraduate level. It provides in-depth generalist training in anthropology and is excellent preparation for research degrees in anthropology, while also serving as an introduction to anthropology for those who have studied other subjects.

Course content
You take compulsory modules in theory and ethnography in social anthropology and anthropological research methods. You can also choose optional modules from the range available in the School before completing your dissertation.

Social Anthropology – Humanitarian and Environmental Crises MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/787
Location: Canterbury

Our world is experiencing humanitarian and environmental challenges of disturbing dimensions. This programme addresses these challenges from an ethical angle, exploring the social, political, economic and technological aspects of the crises that mark our contemporary world.

You focus on contemporary planetary emergencies and conflicts that have a humanitarian or environmental impact. You explore these from an anthropological point of view using a variety of ethnographic research methods, such as interviewing, participant observation and localised surveys.

Course content
You take compulsory modules in key topics in anthropology, alongside others focusing on the anthropology of contemporary political, environmental and humanitarian crises. You then choose optional modules from those available within the School, which may cover areas such as: the global climate emergency; environmental movements in national contexts; migration, diaspora and refugee crises; racism, xenophobia and national politics; war and conflict; and economic oppression. You also take research methods modules and complete a dissertation.

Research programmes
We have breadth of expertise at the School, enabling you to receive supportive supervision on a range of topics, from ethnobotany to human evolution, climate change and humanitarian crises.

To identify and contact a supervisor, please visit our web pages: www.kent.ac.uk/anthropology-conservation/people

Research students are invited to attend modules from the taught Master's programmes. Kent's Graduate and Researcher College also runs a Researcher Development Programme for all postgraduate students.

Anthropology MA, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/202
Covering topics across biological and social anthropology.

Biological Anthropology MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1234

Ethnobiology MSc, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/204
Location: Canterbury

We welcome students with the appropriate background for research. The first year may include coursework, especially research methods modules for students who need additional training. In general, you work closely with one supervisor, although you have a committee of three (including your primary supervisor) overseeing your progress.

If you are interested in registering for a research degree, you should contact the member of staff whose research is relevant to your interests. You should include a curriculum vitae and a research proposal of no more than two A4 pages

If you wish to study for a single year, you can do the MA or MSc by research, as a 12-month independent research project.
Research areas

Biological Anthropology
Our research encompasses a broad range of topics within biological and evolutionary anthropology, including bioarchaeology, forensic anthropology, archaeological science, human reproductive strategies, hominin evolution, primate behaviour and ecology, and modern human variation. We have three dedicated research laboratories, as well as a commercial osteology unit.

Our research takes us to many regions of the world (Asia, Africa, Europe, South America and the United States). We collaborate with international research organisations, including:
- the Instituto de Biologia Subtropical (Argentina)
- German Primate Center
- Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology
- Budongo Conservation Field Station (Uganda)

Members of staff provide a wide research network, offering research opportunities in Africa, Southeast Asia and South America.

Skeletal Biology
Our Skeletal Biology Research Centre focuses on the analysis of biological hard tissues (bones and teeth). It brings together innovative research, novel methodologies and international collaborations, with expertise and resources from the Schools of Physical Sciences and Biosciences at Kent, and the Powell-Cotton Museum. Research ranges from analyses of the most important human fossils, histological studies of teeth and bone, isotopic analyses and dietary reconstruction, virtual 3D analyses of the skeleton and forensic identification that together aim to better understand humans and our evolutionary history.

Primatology
The Living Primates Research Group fosters research into the behaviour and ecology of primates. It addresses questions concerning adaptation, using living primates as model species, to provide a comparative framework for the understanding of human biology and behaviour, and investigate the biological and social dimensions of anthropogenic impacts on non-human primates (NHPs). Research ranges from functional morphology to behavioural ecology and physiology, cultural primatology, and the interplay of primate biology, ecology and conservation, including primate rehabilitation and reintroduction and human–NHP coexistence.

Environmental Anthropology and Ethnobiology
Work in these areas is connected through the Centre for Biocultural Diversity. We conduct research on ethnobiological knowledge systems, ethnoecology, and other systems of environmental knowledge, as well as local responses to deforestation, climate change, natural resource management, medical ethnobotany, the impacts of mobility and displacement, and the interface between conservation and development.

The Centre has an Ethnobiology Laboratory and Ethnobotanical Garden, and extensive collaborative links, including with the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew and the Eden Project.

Social Anthropology
Our regional expertise has a global reach, with field sites in northern and southern Europe, the Middle East, Central Asia, Southeast and South Asia, Amazonia and Central America, East Timor, China and Taiwan, and Oceania. Themes of conflict, violence, economic crisis and precarity form a major focus of our current work in these areas, alongside new research on austerity and its social impact, immigration, and charity. We have emerging interests in social inequality and work and are internationally recognised for our work on ethnicity, nationalism and identity. We are also pioneering innovation in multimodal ethnographic methods.

Research extends to diasporas, intercommunal violence, urban ethnogenesis, pilgrimage, intercommunal trade, indigenous representation, and contemporary religions and their global connections (especially Islam). Other research addresses the anthropology of natural resources and tourism, and post-socialist economies and societies in Europe and Central Asia.

We have a strong interest in visual anthropology. Our work on identity and locality links with growing strengths in kinship and parenthood. This is complemented by work on the language of relatedness, and the cognitive bases of kinship terminologies.

A final focus concerns science, medical anthropology and contemporary society. We work on the anthropology of business, biotechnology and mental health. Related research focuses on policy and advocacy issues and examines the connections between public health policy and local healing strategies. Kent is also well known for its pioneering engagement with the anthropology of Europe.

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Architecture

Architects and the designers of our surroundings are the driving force behind the sustainable development of our built environment. Whether designing new buildings or giving a new lease of life to existing ones, developing urban spaces, landscapes or contemporary interiors, architectural designers have a profound influence on all our lives.

At the Kent School of Architecture and Planning (KSAP), alongside the two-year full-time professional Master of Architecture (MArch), which gives exemption from ARB/RIBA Part 2 on completion, we offer a range of other programmes. All our programmes benefit from the breadth of our research expertise, which covers areas including sustainable architecture, the application of digital technology in architecture, and architectural humanities and design. Our staff have extensive design expertise and specialist knowledge which keep the School at the forefront of current architectural issues and research.

Key facts
- **Postgraduate resources** Our computing resources include a range of design, presentation and analytical software programs, a digital crit studio, a fully equipped architectural model-making workshop and a digital workshop.
- **Environmental monitoring** Our extended laboratory infrastructure for environmental monitoring allows you to undertake thermal imaging surveys, monitor microclimatic conditions and weather data in different operational contexts and conduct lighting studies.
- **External links** We have excellent links with the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) and a number of regional councils.
- **Mentoring scheme** Academic study is complemented by a mentoring scheme in collaboration with RIBA, and by involving students in events in local practices.
- **Academic partners** We have established partnerships with schools of architecture in Lille, Istanbul, Rome and Tokyo.
- **Research centres** We have three research centres: the Centre for Research in European Architecture (CREAte), the Centre for Architecture and Sustainable Environment (CASE) and the Digital Architecture Research Centre (DARC).
- **Graduate destinations** Many of our graduates go on to work in well-known architectural practices, such as Farrells, Grimshaw, HLM Architects, HOK and Jestico + Whiles.

“...and are passionate about what they are teaching. I have said this before and will say it again; taking this course at Kent has been one of the best decisions of my life.”

Diara Naqi, MSc Architectural Conservation

National ratings
REF 2014, architecture:
- 8th for research intensity and research output
- 88% of research judged to be of international quality

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“I have gained great communication skills as well as academic and language skills. I can definitely say I am much more confident and mature. I am able to express myself well both in academic and professional mediums, as well as in social environments. The skills I have gained will definitely put me one step ahead in life.”

Reyyan Bilen, MA Architecture and Urban Design
Taught programmes

The modules listed are subject to change. For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Master of Architecture (MArch with ARB/RIBA Part 2 exemption)

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/186

Location: Canterbury
Entry requirements: Minimum 2.2 (or international equivalent) in architecture. All applications will be reviewed on merit. Priority will be given to applicants with higher grades in design and/or a strong design portfolio.

Applicants also need a minimum of six months of experience in architectural practice following their first degree, when they begin their MArch studies.

Any student admitted to the MArch, without ARB Part 1, or without a first degree giving exemption from this, may apply directly to the ARB to take Part 1 as an external candidate. See the ARB website www.arb.org.uk/student for details.

Kent’s Master of Architecture programme is a two-year full-time undergraduate professional programme (known as Stage 4 and Stage 5), focused on architectural design. It forms the second part of the UK’s traditional five-year continuum of professional undergraduate education in architecture leading, for graduates with the required exemptions from professional examinations, to registration in the UK as an ‘architect’.

All students within a particular unit follow the same design project brief. Additional lecture and seminar modules support design through the teaching of technology, culture, dissertation and employability. There is also an opportunity to spend a term abroad.

Course content

Stage 4
- Cultural Context
- Design 4a
- Design 4b*
- Employability
- Technology 4

Stage 5
- Artefact
- Design 5a*
- Design 5b
- Technology 5
- Dissertation or Pedagogy or Artefact

*These modules can be substituted with the Study Abroad module.

Architectural Conservation MSc

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/362

Location: Canterbury

You develop a critical understanding of historic buildings and gain insight into conservation philosophy and policy. Case studies and workshops in collaboration with Canterbury Cathedral introduce you to the properties of historic building materials and the techniques employed in the repair of old buildings.

Course content

You take modules covering areas such as: conservation principles; intervention at historic buildings; the legislative framework; and structural appraisal of historic buildings. You also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Architectural Practice PDip

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2722

Location: Canterbury

Entry requirements: Entrants will normally be required to hold undergraduate (ARB Part 1) and graduate (ARB Part 2) qualifications. Exceptional students who do not hold these qualifications but can demonstrate an equivalent academic ability and depth of professional experience may be enrolled but would need ARB Part 1 and Part 2 qualifications and/or exemptions prior to applying for professional registration.

This programme enables students to complete their professional training and follows the ARB’s criteria for Part 3, which allows graduates who have completed all three examinations to apply for professional registration as architects in the UK.

The programme draws on the academic and professional knowledge within the Kent School of Architecture and Planning, and explores alternative building procurement strategies, reflecting innovative practice based on published sources and the staff’s personal experiences. UK practice is presented in a wider international context, meeting ARB’s criteria and equipping graduates to work in a wide range of professional roles and environments.

Statutory consultation will be completed by October 2020 and we expect then to be a fully prescribed School, with Part 3 added to our existing Part 1 and 2 prescriptions.

Course content

Half the course content comprises four lecture-based modules which are delivered in two block study sessions. Following the ARB’s criteria, these modules cover: building procurement; legal frameworks and processes; practice and management; professionalism, clients, users and the delivery of services.

The remaining half of the programme comprises a case study, based on your current professional experience, with a reflective self-appraisal and extended CV.

Architectural Visualisation MA

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/245

Location: Canterbury

Architectural visualisation focuses on the communication of architectural space and form through digital media.

You develop advanced skills in modelling, rendering, compositing, and animation/film/video, as well as photography and virtual reality. Exploring themes such as film architecture, virtual heritage and projection mapping, you build
skills, knowledge and experience in developing a portfolio of work ready for a research project or industry placement.

Collaborating with external companies and organisations throughout the course, you use this experience to gain employment at the cutting edge of the profession, at leading international architectural visualisation companies.

Course content
You take modules covering areas such as: architectural photography; digital compositing; film and architecture; film and video production; virtual cities. You produce a digital architecture portfolio and complete an independent research project.

Architecture and Sustainable Environment MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/182

Location: Canterbury

This programme is designed for professionals and academics with an interest in sustainability in the built environment, including architects, engineers, surveyors, geographers and urban designers. It bridges the boundaries between architecture and the sciences, research and practice.

Course content
You take modules covering research methods and analysis, the theory and history of urban design, and the urban landscape. You also complete an urban design project and a 15,000-word dissertation.

Bio Digital Architecture MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2720

Location: Canterbury

This MSc provides you with the skills and know-how to practise architecture at the cutting edge of digital design. You study the theoretical basis of computer-aided architectural design and learn how to use computers for analysis of design problems and as a tool for the generation of space and form. Theory and practice are taught in tandem so you learn theory through application and testing, enabling you to apply your knowledge and understanding in design studio projects.

Course content
You take modules covering the discourse and theory of bio digital architecture and the principles and methods of bio digital design. Further modules cover programming for architecture and design, and morphogenetic programming. You also complete a dissertation on bio digital architecture.

Urban Planning & Resilience MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2706

Location: Canterbury

This programme gives you the academic and professional core knowledge, understanding, skills and experience required to practise professionally as an urban planner, and help cities address and find solutions for 21st-century challenges.

During your studies, you develop an understanding of the planning profession with reference to how people and places interact. You take into account the unique needs and characteristics of different places and people, through working with city teams in Canterbury and beyond.

You develop a range of problem solving, interpersonal and teamwork skills across the modules which complement the theory and enhance its application in practice. We develop your ability to work effectively within business, social and neighbourhood forums.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover areas such as the development of planning and resilience theory, global resilience practice, and planning policy. You can also select optional modules in areas such as conservation principles, and the urban landscape. All students complete a dissertation.
Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/184

Architecture PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/184

Location: Canterbury

Entry requirements: Minimum 2.1 honours degree, plus a Master’s degree or MArch in architecture or an appropriate subject, or professional experience in architecture.

We offer a full-time and part-time research programme, leading to a PhD research degree. The School promotes innovative and interdisciplinary research study in architecture, urbanism and related fields, and welcomes applicants who wish to pursue a programme of research through design.

Research centres

The Centre for Research in European Architecture (CREAte) focuses on research in architectural humanities and design, the Centre for Architecture and Sustainable Environment (CASE) promotes research in the field of sustainable architecture, and the Digital Architecture Research Centre (DARC) focuses on the application of digital technology in architecture.

CREAte

The research focus is on architecture in the European context, in particular the role and contribution of humanities to architecture and urban design in the context of urban and regional regeneration. The Centre provides a platform for evening lectures by contemporary architects and scholars, and hosts debates and events that are at the heart of the architectural agenda of today.

CASE

The Centre promotes research in the field of sustainable design, encompassing different aspects and scales of the sustainable built environment. Our research is at the forefront of developments in the areas of thermal comfort, climate change adaptation, environmental performance of buildings and urban spaces, and the historical and cultural dimension of environmental design.

The Centre has received significant external funding from various bodies, including EPSRC, AHRC, InnovateUK, HLF, HEA, as well as local government and specialised consultancy. Members have also received funding from international sources, including WIMEK from Netherlands, Ministry of Education of China and the British Council.

DARC

Digital Architecture Research Centre (DARC) is the newest research centre at Kent School of Architecture and Planning, focusing on the application of digital technology in architecture. DARC looks to explore the creative use of digital technologies to enhance design and fabrication possibilities for architecture and the built environment. It promotes an innovative interdisciplinary research environment exploring intersections between architecture and digital technologies, to open up and expand the School’s research agenda and funding possibilities. The new research centre aims to promote a fundamental shift in architecture and design thinking to develop design methods for the utilisation of computational technologies in architectural design, fabrication and assembly.

Staff profile

Tim Ireland
Senior Lecturer

Tim Ireland is an architect who has worked in architectural practices in the UK and overseas, and currently runs a boutique architectural practice in London. Tim’s research interests are in natural systems and computation, and are a synthesis of algorithmic and biological design thinking. He has recently created and launched the School’s Digital Architecture Research Centre (DARC) and latest postgraduate offering, the MSc in Bio Digital Architecture.

DARC is our newest research centre specialising in the application of digital technology in architecture and focusing on the creative use of digital technologies to enhance design and fabrication possibilities. Tim also runs a unit in MArch, which is concerned with ideas of emphatic space, and encourages students to think algorithmically about the generation of shape and form.

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Biosciences

Our internationally acclaimed research promotes the understanding of human diseases and how living systems can be of benefit to human society.

Within our collaborative research community, the School offers an inspiring environment where researchers at all levels can produce their best work. Our research is focused on biological processes at the molecular and cellular level and spans the disciplines of biochemistry, genetics, biotechnology and biomedical research.

The five main research themes within the School are: cancer and ageing; cellular architecture and dynamics; industrial biotechnology; infectious diseases; and evolution, reproduction and genome organisation.

Key facts

- **Specialised resources** These include facilities for growing microorganisms, extensive laboratories for animal cell culture and monoclonal antibody production, and an imaging suite providing high-resolution laser confocal and electron microscopy.
- **Outstanding facilities** Our biomolecular science facility provides resources for protein and mass spectrometry, CD and fluorescence spectroscopy, surface plasmon resonance, and HPLC and FPLC systems for all aspects of biochemical and microbiological research. We have upgraded to a Bruker Avance III four-channel 600 MHz NMR spectrometer equipped with a QCI cryoprobe. The upgrade was made possible via an equipment research award from the Wellcome Trust.
- **FIREBio** The Forum for Innovation, Research and Enterprise in Biosciences is a weekly informal meeting where staff, postdocs and postgraduates can present unpublished research findings and discuss them in a supportive environment.
- **National academic collaborations** Partners include: Cambridge, Cardiff, King’s College London, University College London, Newcastle, Oxford, Sussex, York, Manchester, Durham and Sheffield.
- **International academic collaborations** Partners include: the Boston Biomedical Research Institute; University of Hanover; Monash University, Melbourne; Harvard; University of California, Davis; Université Claude Bernard – Lyon 1; Goethe-Universität Frankfurt; University of Queensland, Australia; University of Utah; Texas A&M University; and Braunschweig University of Technology.
- **We have partnerships with the Marie Curie Research Institute, Cancer Research UK, National Institute for Medical Research, Medical Research Council (MRC) London, GSK (GlaxoSmithKline) and the European Union Framework 5.**
- **Funding sources** These include: Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC); Biochemical Society; British Heart Foundation; E B Hutchinson Charitable Trust; the European Commission (EC); Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC); Kent Cancer Trust; The Leverhulme Trust; National Institutes of Health (USA); Nuffield Foundation; Royal Society; Wellcome Trust.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates embark upon a broad range of careers in industry, academia and the healthcare sector both in the UK and abroad.

“I think my studies at Kent will greatly improve my employment prospects. There is a lot of seminar work and discussion-based learning, which lets you develop key communication skills and also allows you to work in group scenarios.”

Jake Trethowan, MSc Biomedicine

National ratings

REF 2014, biological sciences:
- 100% of research judged to be of international quality, with 88% being world-leading or internationally excellent
- 7th for research intensity
- top 20 for research output

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Biomedicine MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1700
Location: Canterbury
You undertake a period of advanced training in research, technical and transferable skills with application in the biomedical research area, including an extended practical training in cutting-edge genome editing. You then choose options from a wide selection that includes oncology, microbiology, biotechnology and instrumentation, drug development and reproductive science – allowing you to pursue particular interests within a flexible curriculum.

During the summer term and summer vacation, you also undertake an extended research project in one of our research groups, under the supervision of a member of academic staff.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover practical and applied research skills, and the influence of science on professional practice. You also undertake a research project.

You also select optional modules from a range covering areas such as: analytical and emerging technologies in biotechnology and bioengineering; molecular processing for biotechnologists and bioengineers; advances in parasitology; bacterial pathogens; bioinformatics and genomics; the biology of ageing; cancer research; cancer therapeutics; the biology of global pathogens; epidemiology; vaccine development; antimicrobial resistance; pathogen diagnosis; genomic stability and cancer; haematology and blood transfusion; IVF; the molecular and cellular basis of cancer; neuroscience; and the science of reproductive medicine...

Biotechnology and Bioengineering MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/213
Location: Canterbury
Entry requirements: Minimum 2.2 (or equivalent) in a relevant subject.

This interdisciplinary MSc focuses on providing advanced academic training in the cellular and molecular processes that relate to the production of biomedicines for use in healthcare. This is coupled with rigorous practical training in the design, production and characterisation of biomolecules using state-of-the-art biotechnological and bioengineering analytical and molecular technologies.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover molecular processing for biotechnologists and bioengineers and the influence of science on professional practice. You also gain advanced practical and applied research skills and undertake a research project.

You also select optional modules from a range covering areas such as: analytical and emerging technologies in biotechnology and bioengineering; cancer research; cancer therapeutics; entrepreneurship; and new enterprise development.

Biotechnology and Business MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2719
Location: Canterbury
Entry requirements: Minimum 2.2 (equivalent) in a relevant subject.

This programme provides in-depth understanding of how to translate laboratory findings from a modern bioscience laboratory to the clinic/commercial utility, based around practicals, lectures, interactive workshops and an extended, milestone research project. You are exposed to modern biosciences by drawing from the existing advanced optional modules in our other biosciences programmes, coupled with exposure to existing business modules plus a new innovation module that focuses on translating bioscience to business.

Course content
You take compulsory modules in areas including: financial and management accounting, marketing, strategy, and translating (bio)science to business, as well as a module where you gain advanced practical and applied research skills for biologists. You also complete a project.

In addition, you can select optional modules from any of the other Biosciences Master’s programmes.

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Staff profile

Michelle Garrett
Professor of Cancer Therapeutics

Michelle Garrett was appointed Chair of Cancer Therapeutics in September 2014.

She studied at Leeds and The Institute of Cancer Research (ICR), London, before moving to the US to undertake post-doctoral studies at Yale.

Michelle worked for Onyx Pharmaceuticals in California, involved in the development of cancer drugs targeting the cell division cycle. Returning to the ICR in 1999, she became team leader in the Cancer Research UK Cancer Therapeutics Unit, with her research specialising in the discovery and development of novel small molecule therapeutics for the treatment of cancer. She became a Reader in Cancer Therapeutics and Head of Biology for the Unit. Michelle currently has two cancer drugs in the clinic.

Cancer Biology and Therapeutics MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2710

Location: Canterbury

The MSc in Cancer Biology is for students who wish to gain an advanced education and training in the biological sciences within the context of a disease that affects a large proportion of the global population. It trains you in modern biological research skills, which can be harnessed to further our understanding of cancer and improve treatment.

Course content
Your modules cover areas including: cancer research, cancer therapeutics, genomic stability and cancer, and the molecular and cellular basis of cancer. You also study the influence of science on professional practice and gain advanced practical and applied research skills.

Infectious Diseases MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/361

Location: Canterbury

This MSc programme is for students who wish to gain an advanced education and training in the biological sciences within the context of a range of human diseases that affect a significant proportion of the global population.

The programme provides training in the practical, academic and research skills that are used in academia and industry. It culminates with a research project under the supervision of expert staff who are currently conducting research on disease-causing microorganisms.

Reproductive Medicine: Science and Ethics MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/228

Location: Canterbury

This programme is for those who wish to gain an advanced education and training within the context of a medical issue that affects one in six couples wishing to start a family.

The MSc is taught by world-leading academics at the University of Kent and leading industry practitioners from The Bridge Centre, London.

This programme provides you with a deep and broad overview of the modern practice of reproductive medicine.

It is of interest to prospective researchers, clinical embryologists, clinical scientists or individuals simply interested in reproductive medicine.

Course content
Your modules cover areas including: reproduction and the beginnings of life, the science of reproductive medicine, the IVF world and the influence of science on professional practice. You gain advanced practical and applied research skills and complete a project or dissertation.
Research programmes

For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Biochemistry MSc, PhD  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1235  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/229

Cell Biology MSc, PhD  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1236  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/285

Computational Biology MSc, PhD  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1237  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1202

Genetics MSc, PhD  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1238  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/286

Microbiology MSc, PhD  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1239  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/287

Location: Canterbury

You can select topics for the MSc or PhD from any of our research areas.

We also offer a conventional MSc programme by research and dissertation, in which you undertake a single, focused research project from day one, and attend only certain components of our transferable skills modules. We assign a Postgraduate Supervisory Committee to MSc students, to offer advice and keep a regular check on progress.

Research areas

Research in the School of Biosciences is focused primarily on essential biological processes at the molecular and cellular level, encompassing the disciplines of biochemistry, genetics, biotechnology and biomedical research.

In the most recent Research Excellence Framework 100% of the research submitted for Biological Sciences by the School was judged to be of international quality.

The School houses a dynamic research community with five major research themes:

- industrial biotechnology
- infectious diseases
- cancer and ageing
- cellular architecture and dynamics
- evolution, reproduction and genome organisation.

Each area is led by a senior professor and underpinned by excellent research facilities. The School-led development of the Industrial Biotechnology Centre (IBC), with staff from four other schools in the Faculty of Sciences, facilitates and encourages interdisciplinary projects. The School has a strong commitment to translational research, impact and industrial application with a substantial portfolio of enterprise activity and expertise.

Associated centres

Kent Fungal Group (KFG)

KFG brings together a number of research groups in the School of Biosciences that primarily use yeasts or other fungi as ‘model systems’ for their research. One strength of the KFG is the range of model fungi being exploited for both fundamental and medical/translational research.

In addition to studying key cellular processes in the fungal cell such as protein synthesis, amyloids and cell division, members of the KFG are also using yeast to explore the molecular basis of human diseases such as Alzheimer’s, Creutzfeldt-Jakob, Huntington’s and Parkinson’s diseases as well as ageing.

Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies of Reproduction (CISoR)

The Centre comprises several like-minded academics dedicated to the study of reproduction in all its forms. Drawing on a range of academic disciplines, CISoR’s core philosophy is that the study of this fascinating field will advance further through a multidisciplinary approach. Impactful, excellent research forms the basis of CISoR’s activities, including scientific advance, new products and processes, contribution to public policy, and public engagement.

Industrial Biotechnology Centre

Within one of the University’s flagship research centres, staff from biosciences, mathematics, chemistry, physics, computing and engineering combine their expertise into pioneering interdisciplinary biosciences research, in order to unlock the secrets of some of the essential life processes. These approaches are leading to a more integrated understanding of biology in health and disease.

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“The teachers at Kent are all very helpful. In class they are professional and humorous as they pass on their knowledge to the class. After class, no matter how busy they are, if you have a question, they are happy to answer it.”

Xiaontong Zhang, MSc Business Analytics
Kent Business School (KBS) is accredited by The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), an accreditation gained by only 5% of the world’s business schools. KBS is a world-class business school combining rigorous teaching with real-world relevance and strong links to the business community.

Our flagship programme, the Kent MBA, has AMBA accreditation and awards students the Chartered Management Institute (CMI) Level 7 Diploma in Strategic Management and Leadership. We received a Small Business Charter award in 2019 for our work with local businesses, while our ASPIRE centre’s support for innovation and enterprise has led to great success for local entrepreneurs.

KBS has more than 40 internationally recognised academics from 23 different countries. Most of our teaching faculty are involved with researching the latest issues in business and management, working with organisations to provide new insight for business leaders and policymakers. Their knowledge and findings feed into the programmes to ensure they are both leading-edge and globally relevant.

Key facts
- European academic partners KBS has links with European institutions including: Neoma Business School, Jean Moulin University Lyon III and Rennes School of Business (France); EBA University of Business and Law (Germany); IE University, Madrid (Spain) and LIUC Università Carol Cattaneo (Italy).
- International academic partners These include: Hong Kong Baptist University where we offer dual Master’s programmes in both Finance and Business Analytics; City University of Hong Kong; Renmin University of China and Universiti Teknologi, Malaysia.
- Internships and live projects Strong links with local and national organisations provide opportunities for projects, internships and graduate placements.
- Industry links Our links with industry help us to attract high-profile speakers to the School. For example, we have hosted staff from the Bank of England, BAE Systems, Barclays, Lloyds Insurance, Cummins, Delphi and Kent County Council.
- Research groups We have six research groups: Accounting; Finance; Marketing; Management Science; People, Management and Organisation; Strategy and International Business.
- Industrial placements Many of our degrees offer you the option of an industrial placement. Placements are self-sought and can range from an additional 12 to 50 weeks. This would extend the normal 12-month Master’s programme to a maximum of 24 months. Our dedicated placement team can help you gain a suitable paid position and provide support throughout your placement. Check the individual programme entries to see if your programme offers this option.
- Graduate destinations Our students develop the skills employers look for in their senior managers. Our graduates work around the world in areas including finance, general management, marketing and human resources in large and small businesses, local and national governments and non-governmental organisations. Many also start their own businesses.

“It was the right decision for me to do an MBA at this point in my career. Kent Business School has everything you need to improve your knowledge and skills. I think an MBA from a reputable UK university such as Kent definitely increases your chances of promotion.”

Naila Alakbarova, MBA

National ratings
REF 2014, business and management:
- 25th (out of 101 institutions) in the UK for research intensity
- 98% of our research was judged to be of international quality

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

We consider applicants with extensive relevant professional experience for entry on to our programmes.

The Kent MBA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/291
Location: Canterbury

Entry requirements: A good degree from a UK or other approved university and/or an equivalent professional qualification; a minimum of three years’ relevant managerial work experience. An individual interview forms part of the selection process.

Our AMBA-accredited MBA transforms you into a responsible, innovative and entrepreneurial business leader, using sustainable management practices for the advancement of local and global communities. We ensure you develop the skills to enhance the scope and potential of your career in a senior leadership role.

The Kent MBA combines a rigorous grounding in business theory with opportunities to put it into practice with global live case studies, a European tour, Consultancy Week – working with a range of businesses on live issues – and internships with high-profile, multinational corporations.

Throughout the duration of the Kent MBA, you engage with a range of organisations, small, medium and large, and from regional to multinational, allowing you to test theories immediately in real-world situations. You also have the opportunity to gain the CMI Level 7 Diploma in Strategic Management and Leadership on completion of your studies – a qualification highly sought after by employers.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover areas including: business analytics; business skills and personal development; corporate social responsibility and sustainability management; delivering innovation; entrepreneurship; financial analysis for decision making; global strategic management; leadership and change; operations management; strategic marketing and communication; strategic people management.

Once you have completed your modules, you then undertake your MBA business report.

This programme can be taken as part of a Senior Leader Apprenticeship.

Digital Marketing and Analytics MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1232
Location: Medway

This MSc is for students who have previously studied marketing at undergraduate level and wish to develop a deeper understanding of the tools and techniques available to marketers today. You learn how digital marketing and analytics are changing the face of marketing and develop key practical skills for running digital campaigns, including social media and analytical skills. Through consultancy projects, you gain further practical experience within these areas.

It is possible to undertake an industrial placement as part of this programme.

The programme has a Graduate Gateway accreditation from the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM).

Course content
Your modules cover the principles of digital and social media marketing including in areas such as: digital and social media design; digital consumers; digital marketing, data mining and analytics; emerging IT trends for digital marketing; research and strategy planning in digital marketing; and analytics in web marketing and social media. You also take a module designed to improve your professional skills and develop your employability.

Once you have completed your modules, you undertake a digital marketing report.
Healthcare Management MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3267

Location: Medway

This programme provides you with a broad understanding of all areas of general management together with specific modules on European healthcare systems.

You study key aspects of business and management, all designed to build on your existing knowledge and experiences, together with modules linked to healthcare management in the UK and across the world. This develops managerial expertise and capabilities necessary for a career geared towards healthcare management.

It is possible to undertake an industrial placement as part of this programme.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover areas such as: accounting and financial management; collaborative practices in healthcare management; consultancy skills and practice; corporate strategy and performance management; global sustainable healthcare; health economics for non-economists; leadership and change management; managing integrated health systems; and marketing management and communications. You also take a module designed to improve your professional skills and develop your employability.

Once you have completed your modules, you undertake a management consultancy report.

Human Resource Management MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/293

Location: Canterbury

Accredited by the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD), this MSc offers you an insight into the principal areas of managing human resources (HR) by providing critical assessment of the human resource management (HRM) and employment relations (ER) approach. As a CIPD-approved study centre, we are recognised as a deliverer of HRM education so you acquire the level of knowledge and understanding to apply for full professional membership of the CIPD.

Our teaching staff are members of the University's Centre for Employment, Competitiveness and Growth, which develops world-class research and knowledge transfer activities via a multidisciplinary approach to human resource management and operations management.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover HRM skills, HRM in context, and HRM and development in practice. You also study leadership and management and research methods.

You then select four optional modules from a range in areas such as: employee resourcing; employment relations; HR analytics; HR strategy; the psychology of selection and assessment; and reward and performance management.

Once you have completed your modules, you undertake an HRM business report.

International Business and Management MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/299

International Business and Management (with a Foreign Language) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2202

Location: Canterbury

Accredited by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) and the Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply (CIPS), this MSc enables you to develop enhanced conceptual, analytical and research skills to support decision making in any logistic area within an organisation. Logistics and supply chain management problems may include inventory, transportation, warehousing, location, reverse and green logistics, and customer and supplier relationships. These aspects provide a company with competitive advantage, if approached correctly.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover the key areas of logistics and supply chain management including: planning; operations management and digital firms and countries can thrive in today’s global marketplace.

This programme is now also offered with a foreign language (Russian, Japanese, Arabic).

Location:

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transformation; simulation modelling; strategic and sustainable procurement; supply chain modelling and analytics; warehousing and global transportation management; and consultancy, negotiation and research skills.

You then choose a further two modules from a range of options. Areas covered may include the strategy and development of global value chains, machine learning and forecasting, prescriptive analytics for decision making and project management.

Once you have completed your modules, you undertake a dissertation and an industry-based project.

Management MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3266
Location: Medway
This programme is accredited by the Chartered Management Institute (CMI) and you have the opportunity to gain a level 7 Certificate in Professional Consulting upon successful completion of your studies.

Our MSc in Management provides you with a broad understanding of all areas of general management. You also take modules that reflect the distinct strengths of Kent Business School.

You study key aspects of business and management, all designed to build on your existing knowledge and experiences. This develops managerial expertise and capabilities necessary for a career in whichever area you choose, including running your own business.

It is possible to undertake an industrial placement as part of this programme.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover areas such as: accounting and financial management; consultancy skills and practice; corporate strategy and performance management; global business analysis; leadership and change management; marketing management and communications. You also take a module that further develops your professional skills and improves employability.

You then select three further modules from a range of options. The areas covered may include: business analytics; digital innovation and new media management; programme and project management; socially responsible management; strategic operations and supply chain excellence.

Once you have completed your modules, you undertake a management consultancy report.

Marketing MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/303
Location: Canterbury
This programme covers all aspects of marketing, equipping the modern marketing manager with the necessary tools for a successful career. It places great emphasis on socially responsible marketing and the role of marketing within society, and you learn from an internationally recognised team of marketing and business experts.

Kent Business School has partnered with the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM), the leading professional body for marketers worldwide, to give you a unique opportunity to gain highly sought after CIM qualifications alongside the MSc in Marketing through their Graduate Gateway.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover areas including: applied marketing research; buyer decision making; financial and management accounting; innovation management and new product development; integrated marketing communications; strategic marketing and marketing across cultures.

You then choose two further modules from a range of options covering areas such as corporate responsibility and globalisation, digital marketing, global value chains, strategy and development, and project management.

Once you have completed your modules, you undertake a marketing report.

Project Management MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3269
Location: Medway
On this programme you build networks, learn from your peers, and gain an international perspective on business and management issues. You develop an understanding of relevant theories alongside the practical skills you need to work as a professional project manager, strategist or consultant.

It is possible to undertake an industrial placement as part of this programme. You also work on consultancy projects. You can choose to gain six professional certificates in project management by attending a course taught by our world-class professionals.

You become a member of the Project Management Institute UK (PMI) network, the world’s leading association for professional portfolio, programme or project managers. This gives you access to weekly talks by professional guest speakers as well as other evening networking events. You can also take part in prestigious PMI university competitions.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover areas such as: leadership and change management, agile project management, project and programme management, project risk management, corporate strategy and performance measurement, value management and strategic portfolio management. You also gain consultancy, professional and employability skills and complete a project management consultancy report.

Related taught programmes
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Finance (Finance and Management) MSc
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Finance (Financial Markets) MSc
See p114.
Finance (Financial Markets) HKBU Dual Award MSc
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Finance (International Accounting) MSc
See p115.

Finance (International Banking and Finance) MSc
See p115.

Research programmes
For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Accounting PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/309

Finance PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/312

Management Science PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/316

Marketing PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/317

Operational Research PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/319

Organisational Behaviour and Human Resource Management PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2728

Location: Canterbury and Medway

Entry requirements: A 2.1 at undergraduate level and, for PhD applicants, a Merit at Master's level in a relevant discipline from a UK or other approved university and/or equivalent. You must submit a research proposal of approximately 3,000 words on your intended topic.

We have international expertise in the following areas: accounting, finance, operational research, international business strategy, organisational behaviour, human resource management, marketing and supply chain management.

Master's and PhD degrees are available in most of these areas, or in the general subject area of management.

Research groups

Accounting
Our Accounting Group has an international reputation for its research on public sector critical accounting and accounting history. Recent topics include privatisation, health and new public management.

Finance
The Finance Group addresses academically interesting and practical contemporary issues in finance and banking. Staff pursue research in several areas, including: derivatives pricing and risk management; financial econometrics; international banking; financial regulation; corporate finance; asset pricing and real estate modelling.

Marketing
Research in this group cuts across four main domains including: marketing strategy and performance; product development and innovation; buyer behaviour; and the management of supply (value) chains and market delivery systems. Strong links with industry and an international network of research partners support the group’s empirical research.

Management Science
This group covers a wide range of research areas in operational research and systems thinking. These include research in the area of logistics, including green logistics and network security with a special emphasis on the innovative design and analysis of heuristic and exact optimisation, DEA, operation management, multi-variate analysis, biometrics, multi-methodology and soft OR/systems.

People, Management and Organisation
Research examines themes in the areas of employment relations, human resource management, organisational behaviour and leadership. The group covers a wide range of research, including employment relationships, the role of social partners, the effects of skills, technology and culture on the world of work, employee engagement, and the role of leadership.

Staff profile

Marian Garcia
Dean of Kent Business School, Professor of Marketing and Innovation

Marian Garcia’s research focuses on marketing-led innovation, with a particular focus on new product development and value co-creation strategies.

She has published in leading international journals, including Research Policy, Technovation, California Management Review and MIT Sloan Management Review. Her book, Open Innovation in the Food and Beverage Industry, has become a key reference source for innovation scholars and practitioners in the food industry.

Marian established the KBS Open Innovation Network in 2013, a user-led regional network bringing together businesses, academics and practitioners to facilitate connections and knowledge transfer.

Strategy and International Business
Research focuses on strategic alliances, non-market strategies, performance management, business in emerging economies, international strategy, management of multinational enterprises and corporate social responsibility.

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Chemistry

Chemistry is a fundamental science that underpins a vast array of topics. Our programmes extend your depth and breadth of knowledge in areas such as analytical chemistry, experimental design, advanced laboratory techniques, spectroscopy, computational and materials chemistry.

Our Chemistry team, within the interdisciplinary School of Physical Sciences, is involved in studies including the synthesis and development of new antimicrobial drugs, developing next-generation materials for energy, data storage and cryogenic cooling.

With strong international reputations, our staff provide expert teaching, well-designed projects, first-class training and unrivalled enthusiasm within a stimulating academic environment. Recent investment in state-of-the-art laboratory equipment and computational facilities, along with a host of new academic staff, accelerate our research and give students an excellent experience.

Key facts
- **School resources** These include: NMR spectrometers; powder and single crystal X-ray diffractometers; X-ray fluorescence; SQUID magnetometer; several furnaces for high-temperature synthesis; high-performance liquid chromatography; mass spectrometry; scanning electron microscopy and EDX.
- **Academic partners** We have collaborations with universities in Germany, France, Italy and the USA, as well as in the UK.
- **Industrial partners** These include BAE Systems, Defra and Dstl.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates can go on to work in a range of areas including: academia, R&D departments in chemical and pharmaceutical industries, and teaching.

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/18

**Chemistry MSc, PhD**

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/18

**Location:** Canterbury

Funded PhD positions appear on our website (www.kent.ac.uk/physical-sciences). Independently funded applications for MSc or PhD are also welcomed.

When you apply, please give specific indications of your research interests or the member(s) of staff you wish to work with and we will match you up with a supervisor. No detailed proposal is required.

Research groups

**Materials for Energy and Electronics (MEE)**

The group’s work includes creation of new materials, physical property investigation and developing the understanding of their atomic, magnetic and electronic structures, crucial to optimising their properties. Research incorporates both experimental and computational approaches, including well-established expertise in central neutron, X-ray and computational facilities. Current focuses include materials for Li and Na-ion batteries, photovoltaic cells, nanoparticles and glasses for environmental remediation, ferroelectric materials for energy storage and sensing, and magnetic materials for cooling and data storage.

**Supramolecular, Interfacial and Synthetic Chemistry (SISC)**

In the SISC group we share a common vision of molecular chemistry as the central science – a discipline that is outward facing, initiating and underpinning developments and technologies which transgress classical disciplinary barriers. Our foundational strengths are the pillars of synthetic, supramolecular, interfacial, macromolecular, organic, biomolecular, redox, and materials chemistry. Our research interests, facilities, techniques, and applications overlap on many fronts. Our target areas of influence are biomedical science, sustainability, sensing, and soft materials.

National ratings

REF 2014, chemistry:
- 99% of our combined physics and chemistry research was found to be of international quality

Apply online

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Further information

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Child Protection

The Centre for Child Protection is part of the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research (SSPSSR) and is the first centre of its kind in Europe. Combining research with distance learning and innovative, serious training games, the Centre leads the way in building knowledge and training opportunities for professionals working in this area.

We develop cutting-edge techniques for professional training and support, and apply the latest research and knowledge to inform best practice. We create diverse, flexible learning programmes, address gaps in post-qualification training provision and facilitate safe, realistic environments in which child protection professionals can develop their skills and professional practice.

The Centre for Child Protection is led and informed by experts in the field, who are committed to improving the provision of professional development to enhance the skills of those involved in child protection.

Key facts

- Award-winning game simulations
  The Centre for Child Protection’s award-winning range of serious game simulations (Rosie; Rosie: myCourtroom; Looking out for Lottie; Visiting Elliott; Zac; Behind Closed Doors) provide research-based case studies and opportunities to explore the complex dynamics involved in making professional assessments and decisions in the context of child protection issues, including chronic neglect, internet grooming and child sexual exploitation.
- Career development
  Through the MA you develop advanced skills essential in a range of complex, multi-agency settings.

Taught programme

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/326

Advanced Child Protection
PCert, PDip, MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/326

Location: Canterbury/distance learning

Teaching is through guided study using an online learning environment (Moodle), strengthened by consistent and continuous tutor support. The programme is delivered through distance learning using innovative and progressive techniques and technology. These include interprofessional serious training games, expert video lectures, filmed role-plays and online discussion forums. There are also study days held over the two years to enhance student learning and interaction.

Course content

You take modules in the following areas: contemporary child protection practice and policies; definitions, prevalence, causes and consequences of child abuse and neglect; new perspectives on assessment and observation; support, help and intervention in a national and international context; and the organisational dimensions of risk management. You also take a module that develops your understanding of social research.

Those following the full Master’s programme complete a dissertation on an agreed aspect of multi-agency child protection.

Stand-alone MA modules

The modules can be taken on their own or as a taster to Master’s-level study. All the work is completed online, where you participate in online forums and have access to journal articles and specialist materials.

Successful completion of the module assignment is equivalent to 20 credits at Master’s level. For further information, see our website: www.kent.ac.uk/sspssr/ccp

National ratings

REF 2014, social work and social policy:
- 99% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 2nd for research power
- 3rd for research intensity
- 5th for research impact and quality

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Further information
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Classical & Archaeological Studies examines the textual and material evidence for a wide cross-section of the ancient world and includes three convergent research and teaching pathways: ancient history, classical literature, and archaeology.

Classical & Archaeological Studies is part of the Division of Arts and Humanities, which provides a thriving academic environment with a strong tradition of interdisciplinary research.

Kent's Templeman Library houses specialist collections such as the library of A S L Farquharson, specialising in the age of Marcus Aurelius, and generous donations from the libraries of Victor Ehrenberg in ancient social history, and Anthony Snodgrass, Richard Reece and Jill Braithwaite in archaeology. The Colin Renfrew Archive is a major resource for research on the history of archaeology, archaeological theory, prehistoric Orkney and the Aegean Bronze Age.

Key facts

- **Academic partnerships** We have partnerships with high-profile universities and organisations in Europe, the US, Canada, Australia and Brazil.

- **External resources** You have access to Canterbury Cathedral Library and Archives, other archaeological libraries and collections in Kent.

- **Specialist equipment** This includes a Romer laser scanner, portable XRF machinery, resistivity and magnetometer survey machines, GPS, landscape survey equipment and a photographic lab.

- **Technical support** The department has its own specialist technician who is widely experienced and skilled in landscape archaeology, geographic information systems (GIS), digital imaging and laser scanning, as well as geophysical surveying.

- **Fieldwork opportunities** You may have the opportunity to participate in the department's fieldwork projects both in the UK and overseas. Bursaries may be available to support you.

- **Language and practical archaeology training** We offer optional training in Greek and Latin languages at all levels, and specialist skills training in artefact studies and fieldwork methods.

- **Graduate destinations** Recent graduates have gone into academia in the UK and overseas. Other popular career paths include the museum and heritage sector, the Civil Service and local government, project management, teaching and publishing.

“Building on my undergraduate studies here, my MA has enabled me to explore new topics, widening my understanding of the ancient world and ancient languages. I feel a strong sense of belonging at Kent, thanks to the amazing support of both the Classics department, and the wider community. I am now seriously considering a PhD.”

Alex Davis, MA Ancient History
Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Ancient History MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/289
Location: Canterbury

The MA in Ancient History has a focus on research training that places you in a strong position for further study for a PhD or for careers outside academia that require research skills. The MA provides a full study of the use of various types of evidence, which is underpinned by a compulsory module on interpretation. The wide range of modules in Greek and Roman history means you can specialise in an area of particular interest to you.

Course content
You take a module that further develops your research skills in ancient history. You choose the rest of your modules from a range of options that covers areas including: ancient Greek science; contemporary archaeology; Roman archaeology; and the myth of the eternal city, Rome. You can also choose to study Latin or Ancient Greek at an appropriate level (Beginners, Intermediate or Advanced).

You also complete a dissertation.

Archaeology MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/297
Location: Canterbury

This MA provides you with a robust grounding in theories, methods and approaches within contemporary archaeology through a compulsory taught module. You can then specialise in selected periods and regions through a range of optional taught modules.

The dissertation module enables you to learn and enhance skills in areas such as field survey techniques, including geophysical survey, excavation and artefact analysis.

You engage first-hand with archaeological evidence, exploring areas such as the relationship of sites to their wider landscape and cultural setting, processes of continuity and change within the archaeological record, and the interpretation of material culture.

This programme includes day trips and longer visits to view sites and material, to undertake practical work, and to attend seminars and lectures.

Course content
You take a module on contemporary archaeology and produce a practical archaeology report. You then choose two further modules from a range of options that covers areas such as: ancient Greek science; the political, social and economic history of the Hellenistic world; Roman archaeology; and the myth of the eternal city, Rome. You can also opt to produce a practical archaeology report.

You then complete your dissertation.

Roman History and Archaeology MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/307
Location: Canterbury

This unique MA is for students who wish to adopt a twin-tracked approach to the past by using both historical and archaeological evidence. A key focus of the MA is on the cities of the Roman Empire (including the capital, Rome) and engagement with the material remains of the Empire. You can choose to specialise in the study of age, gender and ethnicity, as well as taking modules in the wider history and archaeology of the Roman period.

Course content
You take two compulsory modules, one focuses on contemporary archaeology and the other further develops your research skills in ancient history. You then choose one further module from a range of options that covers areas such as: ancient Greek science; the political, social and economic history of the Hellenistic world; Roman archaeology; and the myth of the eternal city, Rome. You can also opt to produce a practical archaeology report.

You then complete your dissertation.

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Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/310

Classical & Archaeological Studies PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/310

Location: Canterbury

You can undertake supervised research, specialising in one of the topics listed under research areas.

Each research student is assigned two internal supervisors who agree the programme of study and research to suit individual student interests.

Recent theses have included Change and continuity at the Roman fort at Oudenburg from the late-second until the early-fifth century AD; Making the invisible visible: new survey and investigation of the Iron-age hillforts of Bigbury and Oldbury in Kent; The Later Iron Age of Britain and Temperate Europe with particular focus upon Oppida; The speeches in Herodotus and Thucydides: a comparison.

Research areas

The department has a distinctive and broad research culture that is characterised by its interdisciplinarity. Our research clusters and centres extend across ancient history, archaeology, Byzantium, classics, heritage and reception, forming a stimulating research environment. They comprise: Artefacts and Society; Health, Wellbeing and the Senses; the Centre for Late Antique Archaeology; and the Centre for Heritage.

Ancient history

Classical and Hellenistic Greece; age, family and ethnicity; Hellenistic and Roman Egypt; the history of the Roman Republic; interpretations of Roman history, law and society; Greek and Egyptian papyrology; epigraphy and palaeography.

Archaeology

Roman ceramics; archaeology and gender; medicine; Aegean archaeology including Minoan and Mycenaean; archaeoastronomy; Greek religion and religious architecture; later prehistory in temperate Europe, including the British Isles; Britain and the western Provinces; Roman artefacts and art; the late post-Roman transition in the West; the archaeology of the Transmanche region; Late Antique cities; heritage, tourism and the classical tradition.

Classical studies, Late Antiquity and Byzantium

Ancient literature; myth, philosophy and performance arts; Greek palaeography; Greek astronomy; Greek and Roman epic; early Christian hagiography; gender studies; reception studies.

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Staff profile

Ellen Swift
Professor of Roman Archaeology

Professor Ellen Swift studied at the Institute of Archaeology, University College London for her BA, MA, and PhD.

Grant-funded research undertaken by Ellen as Principal Investigator includes a Leverhulme Research Fellowship in 2013, and AHRC project ‘Roman and Late Antique Artefacts from Egypt’ in 2017-19.

Ellen is a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries and has wide research interests in artefact studies, the late to post-Roman transition in the West, and Roman and late antique art. She has worked on artefacts from both the north-western provinces of the Roman empire, and from Roman and Late Antique Egypt.
“My experience at Kent has increased my employment prospects immensely. Kent has provided me with the opportunity to gain a PhD and teaching experience; two aspects that will greatly elevate my chances of employment within, or outside of, academia.”

Karl Goodwin, PhD Classical & Archaeological Studies
Comparative Literature at Kent offers an excellent environment for the postgraduate study of literature beyond national and linguistic borders.

The research interests of our staff are comparativist in nature and include the European avant-garde, modernism and postmodernism, postcolonial literature, literary theory, literature and medicine, and the relationship between literature and the visual arts. You benefit from the activities organised by the Centre for Modern European Literature, such as lectures by prestigious guest speakers, research seminars, conferences and a reading group.

The Department of Comparative Literature is part of the Division of Arts and Humanities, which provides a thriving academic environment with a strong tradition of interdisciplinary research. This means you are able to draw on the excellent resources of a diverse team of teachers with expertise in many key areas of global culture.

Key facts

- **Library resources** Kent’s Templeman Library has excellent holdings in all our areas of research interest, with particular strengths in modern European literature.
- **School resources** The School provides high-quality IT facilities, with state-of-the-art language laboratories, dedicated technical staff and designated areas for postgraduate study.

- **Conferences and research talks** Research students gain further academic experience by giving research talks in the Centre for Modern European Literature seminar series, and attending national and international conferences.
- **Language support** If you are a native speaker of a foreign language and have language training needs, we can assist you, particularly where English is concerned.

- **Graduate destinations** Recent graduates have gone on to successful careers in publishing, journalism, marketing and teaching, as well as roles in academia in the UK and overseas.

“Research the programme thoroughly, make sure it’s something that you want to spend time and energy on – then go for it! The programme is a really cool combination of literature, culture and criticism and I’ve enjoyed it a lot.”

Jasminique Harris, MA Comparative Literature

**National ratings**

REF 2014, modern languages and linguistics:

- 100% of research judged to be of international quality
- 3rd for research quality and output
- top 20 for research intensity, research impact and research power

**Apply online**

www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply
Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Comparative Literature MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/318

Location: Canterbury

The programme comprises three main interweaving strands:
- themes and major figures in world literature
- interactions between European and world literatures, as reflected in important genres such as autobiography and the fantastic
- comparative literature in theory and practice, with an emphasis on the history of the discipline and ways of reading literature comparatively.

These complementary strands encourage comparative analysis in a variety of contexts: national literatures, genres, media and theory.

Course content
The modules available cover areas including: comparative literature in theory and practice; literature and affect; literature and madness in the modern period; and tales of the fantastic. You also complete a dissertation.

Research programmes

For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Comparative Literature PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/324

Location: Canterbury

Research students need to demonstrate competence in the relevant languages.

We undertake supervised research in any of the topics listed below: the European avant-garde; modernism and postmodernism; postcolonial literature; literary theory; literature and medicine; literature and the visual arts; literature and sexuality; and literature and philosophy. Many of our staff are members of the Centre for Modern European Literature. If you are considering applying for a research degree, we encourage you to contact us to discuss your plans at an early stage of your application.

Research centres

Centre for Language and Linguistics (CLL)
See p106.

Centre for Modern European Literature
Co-directed by members of Comparative Literature, French and German, the Centre for Modern European Literature promotes collaborative interdisciplinary research. Ranging across English, French, German, Italian and Spanish literature, the Centre focuses in particular on the European avant-garde. European modernism and postmodernism, literary theory, the international reception of European writers, and the relations between modern European literature and the other arts, including painting, photography, film, music and architecture.

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Staff profile

Patricia Novillo-Corvalán
Reader in Comparative Literature

Patricia’s comparative research is located at the intersections of Anglophone and Latin American modernist literature. Patricia engages with modernism as a transnational phenomenon by exploring the ways in which writers responded to, and were shaped by, the cultural dilemmas presented by modernity, empire, and revolutionary dreams.

Through comparative case studies, she explores writers’ networks; from canonical figures such as Borges, Cortázar, Bolaño, and Victoria Ocampo, to less well-known figures such as Juan Filloy and Gabriela Mistral, she shows how these writers engaged with canonical modernists like Joyce, Woolf, and Eliot.

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Computing

At the School of Computing you study key areas of computer science taught by staff who are research leaders. The website CSRankings.com rates us in the top 10 worldwide for our research into programming languages since 2014.

The University of Kent has also been recognised by the UK Government’s National Cyber Security Centre as an Academic Centre of Excellence in Cyber Security Research. Our world-leading researchers in cyber security and programming languages are joined by others working in areas such as computational intelligence, data science and computer education.

We excel in computer science teaching and our students benefit from a high level of access to academic staff. On all of our taught Master’s courses you can gain practical, paid work experience by adding an industrial placement to your course, giving you an extra edge when applying for jobs. Our staff are frequently asked to give expert opinion by the media and are authors of widely used textbooks.

Key facts

- **Industry partners** Our strong industry links include: Cisco Systems Inc, IBM, Microsoft, Oracle, Nvidia, Erlang Solutions, GCHQ, Orange Cyberdefense, Google.
- **The Kent IT Consultancy (KITC)** This offers our students consultancy experience while studying. KITC provides a project-based consulting service to small businesses in Kent.
- **First-class resources** The School has a large range of equipment providing both Linux and PC-based systems as well as a cloud computing service and a high-performance cluster (HPC) with a mixture of CPU and GPU nodes.
- **Makerspace** ‘The Shed’ has a space for building and making digital artefacts. It is a place for you to develop a wide range of Internet of Things (IoT) devices, from an extensive range of wireless development boards, sensors and actuators. It also has a model home for you to integrate your devices in a scaled test environment.
- **Industrial placements** If you decide to add an industrial placement to your course, our dedicated team help you to gain a suitable position and support you throughout your placement.
- **Conference funding** Our research students are offered funds for academic conference travel, to assist in publishing papers and getting involved in the international community.

- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates go on to work in a range of companies from large corporations to start-ups, including Deloitte, JP Morgan, CGI, Thales, Capgemini and Kuomi. They work as software developers, software engineers, web developers, analysts and consultants. Matt Gould completed the MSc Computer Science with an industrial placement at Influential Software, where he continued after graduation as a software developer; he now works for REPL as principal engineer. Milan Gurling studied MSc Computer Science and is now working in SAP Business Intelligence for Capgemini, and Pedro Garcia Pintos, MSc Computer Science, did an industrial placement at Influential Software and now works for consultancy firm Retail Reply as a solutions architect.

“While it is natural to feel intimidated when entering a new field, my experience at the University of Kent has indeed changed my outlook. I do not feel that doing a Master’s in a new discipline is a mammoth task.”

Ruksar Kachchhi, MSc Computer Science

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National ratings

REF 2014, computer science:
- 12th in the UK for research intensity
- 98% of our research judged to be of international quality

Apply online

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Programme structure
Each of our programmes is available in two formats:
- Intensive – 12 months full-time
- Intensive with an industrial placement – 14-24 months full-time.

Taught Conversion Master’s programme
Computer Science MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/243
Location: Canterbury
The Computer Science MSc prepares graduates from any discipline for a career in computing, or a career involving the application of computing within their original professional field. No prior knowledge of computer science is required.

This programme is also available with an optional industrial placement.

Course content
This conversion programme provides a broad and balanced introduction to computer science, including the key technologies and skills needed for employment, such as software engineering, databases and web development. You can also explore your personal interests through a variety of optional modules, including cyber security and artificial intelligence related modules.

You then complete your project and dissertation.

Taught Advanced Master’s programmes
Advanced Computer Science MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/246
Location: Canterbury
This programme will appeal to computing graduates whose interests span more than one specialism, as well as those seeking the freedom to explore a variety of advanced topics. The programme can serve as a springboard for employment or research.

This programme is also available with an optional industrial placement.

Course content
This programme offers a largely free choice of modules from our range of Advanced Master’s programmes, including cyber security, artificial intelligence, advanced programming, and IoT.

You also complete a project and dissertation.

Advanced Computer Science (Computational Intelligence) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/249
Location: Canterbury
This programme will appeal to computing graduates who would like to specialise in artificial intelligence and machine learning, and their application to other fields of knowledge. The goal of this programme is to prepare you for a career in artificial intelligence and its related fields.

Course content
This programme combines a wide choice of advanced topics in computer science with specialist modules relating to computational intelligence, including logic-based, evolutionary artificial intelligence, inspirations from the natural world, practical applications and the philosophy of machine reasoning.

You also complete your project and your dissertation.

Further information
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CONTINUED OVERLEAF
Cyber Security MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1225
Location: Canterbury

This programme is fully accredited by the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC), a subsidiary of the UK Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ). This confirms that the programme meets the criteria defined by the NCSC for Master's degrees, providing postgraduate students with a general, broad foundation in cyber security.

The programme is aimed at computing graduates with strong programming skills who are looking to work as cyber security professionals or in careers that need a systematic and deep understanding of the subject. You learn the essential skills to support cyber security within commercial and government organisations. It is also an excellent starting point for those wishing to carry on further research in cyber security.

This programme is also available with an optional industrial placement.

Course content
This programme combines modules that look at the technical side of encryption, authentication, biometrics and network security, as well as information security management and cyber security risk.

You then complete your project and dissertation.

“...The staff are encouraging and genuinely interested in our work. We have weekly research seminars where we can present our work, you’re asked lots of questions and get useful feedback. It’s a good experience and prepares you for your viva, where you are going to get grilled!”

Kathryn Harris, PhD Computer Science

Networks and Security MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/259
Location: Canterbury

This programme provides a broad coverage of computer networks, computer security and IoT technologies. It looks in depth at some of the security issues that fixed and wireless networks are subject to, and the current solutions employed to address these problems. The programme will appeal to computing graduates seeking careers in the network or network security industries, or those who wish to carry on with this topic as an area of research.

This programme is available with an optional industrial placement.

Course content
This programme combines a set of compulsory modules in cyber security, including encryption, authentication, biometrics and network security, with a wide choice of advanced topics in computer science, including computational intelligence and advanced programming.

You then complete your project and dissertation.

Research programmes
For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/283

Computer Science MSc, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/283
Location: Canterbury

Your research should produce an original contribution in your chosen field of study. You work closely with your supervisor, a member of academic staff, who is your principal source of support. If you choose a research area that has interdisciplinary aspects, you may have more than one supervisor.

You also join one or more of our well-integrated, active research groups where you are able to test and discuss your ideas and place your research in a broader context.

Research groups
Cyber Security Research Group
Research areas include:
- authorisation infrastructures
- cybercrime
- Internet of Things security and privacy
- authentication
- quantum computation and information, with security applications
- formal methods for cryptography
- steganography and steganalysis
- trust management and metrics and reputation systems
- tools for vulnerability analysis
- self-adaptation applied to security and privacy
- cloud security
- human aspects of security
- blockchain and distributed ledger technology
- identity management
- data ethics and privacy.
Computational Intelligence Research Group
Areas of research within the group include:
• machine learning, data mining and knowledge discovery; and applications in biomedicine, natural language processing, etc
• probabilistic planning and reinforcement learning
• modelling of attention, affect and addiction; salience sensitive control
• bio-inspired computing – genetic algorithms, swarm intelligence, artificial neural networks
• theory and applications of information visualisation
• computational creativity
• physical limits of computation.

Programming Languages and Systems Research Group
This group researches both practical and theoretical aspects of programming language design and system building. Our work in languages spans programming across a broad range of paradigms including: imperative, object-orientated, functional and logic programming, and even assembler. These interests are complemented by our architectures and systems research in concurrency, relaxed memory, verified compilation and garbage collection. All our work is linked by shared interests in semantics, type systems, verification and implementation.

Data Science Research Group
Research areas include:
• biomedical signal analysis for applications such as brain-computer-interfacing, biometrics, cardiovascular diagnosis, mental disorders and virtual reality
• financial econometrics, and time-series modelling and forecasting
• speech and audio signal processing with embedded system designs for applications related to hearing and communications
• computational intelligence techniques for business-related problems such as weather derivatives and algorithmic trading
• supervised machine learning algorithms to analyse biological data
• computational creativity, semantic web and natural language processing
• memristor technology for data storage, cloud and green computing
• parallel and stream data processing
• cryptology, steganography and steganalysis.

Staff profile

Jason Nurse
Senior Lecturer

Jason's research investigates interdisciplinary approaches to enhance and maintain cyber security for organisations, individuals and governments. In particular, his work concentrates on human aspects of security, privacy and trust, and the overlap with daily life as well as areas including cybercrime.

Prior to joining Kent, Jason was a Research Fellow at the University of Oxford for seven years, a position he took up after his doctorate in cyber security at the University of Warwick. Jason is a visiting academic at the University of Oxford, a Visiting Fellow in Defence and Security at Cranfield University, and has been nominated as a Rising Star within the UK’s EPSRC RISE Awards Campaign.

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Conservation

The Durrell Institute of Conservation and Ecology (DICE), based in the School of Anthropology and Conservation, is Britain’s leading research and postgraduate training centre dedicated to conserving biodiversity, as well as the ecological processes that support ecosystems and people.

We focus on combining natural and social sciences to understand complex conservation issues and design effective interventions to conserve biodiversity. Our staff have outstanding international research profiles, yet integrate this with considerable on-the-ground experience, working in collaboration with conservation agencies around the world. This blend of expertise ensures that our programmes deliver the skills and knowledge that are essential components of conservation implementation.

Our taught Master’s programmes cover topics in conservation management, economics, wildlife trade, policy, ecotourism and sustainable natural resource use. The research degree programmes encourage you to undertake original, high-quality research, which culminates in the submission of a thesis.

**Key facts**

- **Prize-winning** In 2019, DICE was awarded the Queen’s Anniversary Prize for Higher and Further Education for its outstanding work in conservation.
- **Graduate success** Since 1991, there have been over 720 taught MSc graduates from 92 countries, many of whom now have successful full-time conservation careers.
- **Prize-winning postgraduates** Several of our PhD graduates have won prestigious international prizes for their outstanding conservation achievements, for example: Belinda Stewart-Cox, OBE; Edwin Sabuhoro, IUCN Young Professional Award; Sanjay Gubbi, Rachel Ikemeh and Patricia Medici, Whitley Award for Nature.
- **Our research projects** We have various long-term research projects around the world, in addition to maintaining an ecology field trials area and field laboratory on the University campus.
- **First-class resources** As part of the School of Anthropology and Conservation, DICE students have access to excellent computing facilities and research laboratories for molecular genetics, ecology, ethnobotany and biological anthropology.

“I think that having classmates from various areas of the world, together with the quality of the professors and their experience in conservation, made discussions a great learning experience.”

Dr Nicolas Galvez, awarded Biodiversity Management PhD

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**National ratings**

REF 2014:
- Kent was ranked in the top 20 in the UK for research intensity by the Times Higher Education
- 97% of our research was deemed to be of international quality.

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

The MSc in Conservation pathways offered by DICE follow a common pattern, comprising 24 weeks of teaching with the remaining time set aside for research and private study. Within each pathway, there are optional modules that allow you to devise a programme that suits your specific interests, with an appropriate balance between natural and social sciences.

In exceptional circumstances, DICE admits applicants without a first degree if their professional career and experience shows academic achievement of a high enough standard.

Course content

Common compulsory modules
All our MSc courses share common compulsory modules. These help you to develop your research skills, your knowledge of research methods in the social sciences and an understanding of multidisciplinary perspectives on conservation. You also complete a dissertation project.

Optional modules
You choose your optional modules from a wide range available. Areas covered include: managing protected areas, international wildlife trade – achieving sustainability, population and evolutionary biology, conservation and community development, special topics in conservation, the economics of biodiversity conservation and advanced topics in primate behaviour.

Other modules allow you to develop your understanding of the principles of geographic information systems (GIS) and remote sensing, develop leadership skills for conservation management and attend one of two field courses we offer: one on integrated species management and another on social dimensions of conservation. It may be possible to choose up to two modules from those available across the University.

Conservation and International Wildlife Trade MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/268
Location: Canterbury

This pathway is designed for people from areas such as government, management and scientific authorities, NGOs, international agencies and donors who are working to improve the sustainability of wildlife trade. It examines a number of mechanisms for delivering sustainable wildlife trade, especially the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES).

Course content
You take the compulsory modules and International Wildlife Trade, plus a selection of the optional modules listed left.

Conservation and Rural Development MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/271
Location: Canterbury

This pathway provides substantive natural and social science training in both conservation and relevant aspects of rural development.

The pathway will be of particular interest to applicants with a strong interest in conservation, with a view to working for a conservation-related organisation or in a leadership role in a conservation NGO.

Course content
Alongside the common compulsory modules, you take a further module on conservation and community development. Our optional modules cover a wide range of areas (see left) so you can choose modules that best match your interests and ambitions.

Conservation Biology MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/273
Location: Canterbury

This pathway takes an interdisciplinary approach and is international in its outlook. It covers the biological, economic, political and social aspects of biodiversity conservation and how these operate across spatial scales (from local to global). The pathway is for wildlife officers and administrators with practical experience in international conservation work, which they want to reinforce with formal scientific training. It is also for students with academic qualifications who wish to develop a new career in conservation.

Course content
Alongside the common compulsory modules, you take a further module on population and evolutionary biology, then select further optional modules (see list in first column).

Conservation Project Management MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/274
Location: Canterbury

This MSc pathway draws upon the extensive conservation project management experience of the Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust and equips you with the skills and tools you need to manage conservation projects effectively. It is particularly suitable for managers of conservation projects who wish to build on their existing skills, or conservation practitioners who wish to move into a project management role.

Course content
Alongside the common compulsory modules, you take a further module on leadership skills for conservation managers. Our optional modules cover a wide range of areas (see first column) so you can choose modules that best match your interests and ambitions.

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Staff profile

Bob Smith
Professor of Conservation Science; Director of DICE
Dr Smith is a passionate conservation scientist mainly focusing on identifying priority areas for conservation and designing protected area networks. Much of this work has involved leading long-running projects in southern Africa and the UK, while also working on projects in 22 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe and South America.

In addition, his research encompasses a broad range of conservation topics, including understanding spatial patterns of deforestation and human–wildlife conflict. In particular, he has published seminal work on the influence of corruption in conservation and the role of marketing in conservation.

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information see: www.kent.ac.uk/pg/276

Biodiversity Management MSc, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/276
Location: Canterbury

DICE’s research degree programmes all carry the title of Biodiversity Management. We welcome students with the appropriate background for research. All research students have a supervisory committee, which is led by a main supervisor who oversees the day-to-day administration and management of the project. The committee also includes a chair and, if necessary, a supplementary member (often based in the country where the research is conducted). In conjunction with the supervisory committee, an individual training programme is devised for each student that includes both the general and specific skills required to undertake the programme of research. Students are encouraged to undertake original research, to submit as a thesis, on important topics related to conserving and managing diversity.

Overseas students who wish to spend most of their time in their home country while undertaking research may register as an external student or for a split PhD. For further information, see www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/research-phd/modes-of-study

Current research

Recent or current projects cover topics such as:

• benefits of biodiversity: human–nature interactions in urban Guyana
• predicting and navigating future discord between gold mining and other livelihoods in Guyana’s rainforest
• professional development in wildlife conservation: identifying gaps and barriers from case studies in developing countries
• sustainability performance of ecological approaches to farming at regional scale
• methods of, and motives for, laundering a wildlife commodity beyond captive farms
• modelling future scenarios for conservation land-use in England
• social marketing and behaviour change for demand reduction in wildlife trade
• evaluating the outcomes of biodiversity offsetting and ‘no net loss’ policies around the world
• how is environmental change influencing the movement of Malaysia’s apex predators in wildlife corridors?
• wild harvesting in Kent – human–nature interactions along the Kent coastline
• Borneo’s arboreal mammals: diversity and vulnerability to habitat change
• conservation of Mongolia’s wild camels
• the value of sustainable use-protected areas for jaguar conservation
• interactions between environmental change and exploitation on Borneo’s mammalian megafauna.

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Criminology

Criminology has a long and distinguished tradition at Kent with its research base in the Crime, Culture and Control cluster. You are tutored by a team of scholars and researchers who are internationally renowned for their world-class teaching and research.

Criminology is part of the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research (SSPSSR), one of the top institutions of its kind in the UK. The atmosphere in the School is inclusive and friendly, and the postgraduate community is enriched by the contribution of visiting professors including Jeff Ferrell, Frank Furedi and David Brotherton. Seminars introduce you to the work of academic staff and research students, as well as academic visitors, providing intellectual stimulation and sociability. Our favourable staff/student ratios mean that academic staff are readily accessible. Where appropriate, research students are encouraged to teach part-time in the School.

Key facts

- **Postgraduate study area** The School has dedicated study space for our postgraduate students.
- **Common Study Programme in Critical Criminology** This gives Canterbury-based Kent postgraduate students the chance to add an international dimension to their criminological study. At this student-led, biannual conference ideas are exchanged, and papers on topics relating to critical, cultural and international criminology are delivered. The conference is run in collaboration with Kent’s international criminology partners.
- **International partnerships** These include: Erasmus University, Rotterdam; the Universities of Ghent, Hamburg, Middlesex, Porto and Utrecht; ELTE, Budapest; the Democritus University of Thrace; the University of the Peloponnese, Corinth; Vilnius University, Lithuania; and the CUNY Graduate Center, New York.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates move on to work for organisations such as the police force, criminal justice services, social services and the crown court. Some move on to teaching and further research.

“The level of support is excellent; you can email the professors at any time and they will put time aside to meet you. Also, the library is fantastic and the number of online journals you can access because you are a Kent student is great.”

Ryan Steeson, MA Criminology

**National ratings**
REF 2014, social work and social policy:
- 99% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 2nd for research power
- 3rd for research intensity
- 5th for research impact and research quality

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**Taught programmes**

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

**Advanced Research in Criminology MSc (IMARC)**
**www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2729**

**Location:** Canterbury and Rotterdam/Ghent

This two-year, full-time programme is run jointly with Erasmus University of Rotterdam and Ghent University.

This collaborative programme gives you a comprehensive overview and understanding of contemporary debates in criminology and criminal justice, including those around the complex relationships between crime, control and power. You undertake critical analysis of crime in relation to developments in social theory, sociology, social policy and cultural studies, to understand the social and cultural processes that influence the relationship between individuals, groups and institutions.

You gain an advanced understanding of how quantitative and qualitative research methodologies are used to study crime and criminal justice in international contexts.

**Course content**

**Year 1**

You are based at one of Erasmus University of Rotterdam, University of Kent or University of Ghent depending on the pathway chosen. The compulsory modules for the University of Kent pathway are:
- European Union Criminal Policy and Justice in Context
- Global Discourse and Narratives of Crime
- Where the Local Meets the Global
- Dissertation.

**Criminology MA**
**www.kent.ac.uk/pg/173**

**Location:** Canterbury

You study issues at the leading edge of current criminological debate with a strong emphasis on the cultural context of crime.

**Course content**

Your compulsory modules cover theories of crime and the logics and methods of social research.

You then choose four further modules from a range of options covering areas such as: contemporary social theory; critical and global criminology; cultural criminology; gender and crime; policing; prisons and penal policy; the sociology of violence; terrorism and modern society; and the worlds of work. You then complete your dissertation.

**Related taught programme**

**International two-year MA in Criminology**
**www.kent.ac.uk/pg/331**

Designed for international students, this programme provides an introduction to high-level academic study leading to a recognised postgraduate qualification.

You gain an advanced understanding of the subject while receiving coaching in academic study and writing. Language and study support are also given in the first year to help you achieve your potential.

In your second year, you take compulsory modules in criminology and can also choose further modules from the wide range available within the School.

For full details of the programme, visit the website above.

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Research programmes

For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Criminology MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/177
Location: Canterbury

Across SSPSSR, there is a breadth and depth of research expertise and we offer high-quality supervision in a wide range of areas in criminology. You will find details of the research activities and publications of staff and the School’s research units on our website.

All research students take a research training programme with the School or Kent Graduate and Researcher College.

Doctorate in Cultural and Global Criminology (DCGC)
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/179
Location: Canterbury and a partner institution of your choice (see below).

The DCGC is an international, collaborative, three-year postgraduate research programme led by the University of Kent, with partners ELTE, Budapest, University of Hamburg and Utrecht University, leading to the submission of a doctoral thesis.

The programme is divided into three main strands: research, subject-specific training and transferable skills training. You develop a politically engaged, international understanding and approach to crime, harm and its control. The programme prepares high-level doctoral candidates to work in a wide range of arenas concerned with understanding, preventing and responding to crime, taking into account the global and cultural context.

You must submit a high-quality research proposal fitting the DCGC research themes and demonstrate eligibility and academic achievement.

Research group

Crime, Culture and Control

The School has a long tradition of conducting criminological research. The Crime, Culture and Control cluster covers a diverse range of topics and employs both qualitative and quantitative methodologies. We have particular expertise in the following: cultural criminology; crime, punishment and social change; criminal justice organisational cultures; drug use; gender, crime and criminal justice; penology and imprisonment; policing; quasi-compulsory treatment for drug-using offenders; race, crime and criminal justice; restorative justice and young offenders; terrorism and political crime; violence; youth crime and youth justice.

Present and current research has been funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), the Home Office and the Youth Justice Board.

Staff profile

Erin Sanders-McDonagh
Senior Lecturer in Criminology

Erin is a senior lecturer in criminology, and a feminist ethnographer who works with a range of marginalised groups. She has written on a wide range of issues, including domestic violence, sex work, gentrification and youth offending.

Erin has recently completed a project with the New Horizon Youth Centre in London, where she interviewed over 100 young people with serious offending histories. Her work on knife crime has featured on the BBC and RTV, and she has presented evidence to a range of statutory and third sector organisations.

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Drama and Theatre at Kent has a strong reputation for research and supervision in contemporary theatre and performance. Our distinctive focus is on theatre as practice. We were the first department in the country to offer MA and PhD degrees by practice-as-research.

At Kent, you’re part of a diverse group of students who are passionate about making performance and producing theatre. You work with an international team of researchers and practitioners whose expertise covers theatre history, applied theatre, multimedia performance, directing, dramaturgy, physical acting, stand-up comedy, and popular performance.

We work with a range of external theatre companies and practitioners and encourage you to make use of our close links with local, national, and international theatre companies, venues and artists, both for research and for your professional development.

Key facts
- **Outstanding facilities** The School of Arts’ award-winning Jarman Building offers professional standard drama facilities, including two performance studios. It also has social spaces, a gallery and a dedicated centre for postgraduate students.
- **On-campus theatres** There are three further theatre spaces on the Canterbury campus: the 113-seat Aphra Theatre; the Lumley Theatre, which is a flexible and adaptable studio space; and the Forest Studio.
- **Construction workshop** You have access to an extensively equipped construction workshop and costume collection.
- **External links** We have strong links with organisations such as the International Federation for Theatre Research (IFTR) and the Theatre and Performance Research Associate (TaPRA) and encourage postgraduates to present work within national and international conferences.
- **Research areas** Our research clusters include: European Theatre Research Network; Histories: Art, Drama and Film; Identities, Politics and the Arts; Performance and Theatre.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates have gone on to work in the theatre in management roles and as production assistants; started their own theatre companies; become actors or stand-up comedians (for example, Laura Lexx). Some choose to move on to teaching or further study.

“The staff and students all want to help you find and pursue what you’re passionate about, while also introducing you to new things. I had so much encouragement from everyone as I moved from being a new international student to my BA, on to an MA, then PhD. I couldn’t ask for a better environment to learn in.”

Natcha Chirapiwat, PhD Drama

National ratings
REF 2014, music, drama and performing arts:
- 1st for research power
- 98% of our research judged to be of international quality
- top 20 for research quality

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Creative Producing MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1212
Location: Canterbury

This programme offers you the opportunity to explore theatre at its most dynamic: from creative concept to realisation. You learn the business and commercial skills needed to develop your creative ideas, drawing on real-life case studies, guest lectures from industry practitioners and work placement residencies. From working on existing projects through to developing a project from scratch, you will gain the skills and confidence to develop work as a creative producer.

Course content
Your modules help you to develop the diverse creative skills you need to operate as a producer within the professional world of theatre and live performance. You experience pitching and selling an idea and, either through a placement or by completing an in-depth study of an individual or a company, you see how skills and knowledge learned can be applied in practice. In addition, you develop a nuanced and sophisticated understanding of theatre audiences.

Your MA concludes with a dissertation.

Physical Acting MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/277
Location: Canterbury

This programme focuses on physical actor training and physical performance practice. Working in this specialist area allows you to develop your creative movement language as a performer, and explore where your own practice sits along the spectrum between acting and movement/dance. You have the opportunity to work as an individual practitioner and within an ensemble.

Graduates have gone on to apply their learning in a range of contexts, including physical theatre, theatre, dance-theatre and TV.

The programme explores:
- physical and vocal training processes for actors
- acting processes for performers
- autonomous and collaborative practice
- interdisciplinary approaches.

Course content
Your modules cover areas including: ensemble devising and performance; physical and vocal training; and composition and performance for solo acting.

You also complete a dissertation project. Please check the website for details.

Staff profile

Paul Allain
Professor of Theatre and Performance

Paul is an internationally acclaimed specialist in physical actor training practices, who set up the MA Physical Acting and advises on the MA Theatre Making. He collaborated with the Polish Gardzienice Theatre Association from 1989-93, and has published widely on Jerzy Grotowski, Tadashi Suzuki and Andrei Drozin. He is also co-author of The Routledge Companion to Theatre and Performance.

Paul has recently completed Physical Actor Training – An Online A to Z, a project funded by the Leverhulme Trust which explores new digital means to talk about, document, teach and analyse aspects such as movement, space, rhythm, sound and voice.

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Theatre Making MA  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1222
Location: Canterbury

This programme explores practices, traditions and contexts of theatre making. You have the opportunity to develop skills in your chosen area of directing, devising, playwriting, dramaturgy, or applied theatre.

You work using varied artistic approaches, while also gaining an insight into key critical discourses and the practical conditions of theatre production.

The research-led teaching is complemented by a sustained engagement with professional theatre makers in workshops and guest sessions. We also work closely with the Marlowe and Gulbenkian Theatres in Canterbury.

Course content
Your modules allow you to interrogate the boundaries between theatre forms – such as devising, directing, physical theatre, performance art, and applied theatre. You develop and manage original projects and by working on collaborative projects with your fellow students gain a range of experience, which you critique and reflect on in writing. To explore the relationship between academic research and professional practice, you undertake a placement or shadow professionals within a venue or company. Finally, you complete your dissertation project.

Research programmes
For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Drama: Practice as Research PhD  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/280
Location: Canterbury

This programme is for practitioners who want time to develop and reflect on their work in a supportive and challenging environment. It is also for recent graduates who want to either develop a body of practice or to conduct practice-based research at a higher level.

Drama PhD by thesis and practice  
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/351
Location: Canterbury

Individual staff research interests cover a wide range of both historical and contemporary aspects of the theory and practice of theatre, and supervision is available in all of these areas.

Research clusters

European Theatre Research Network
The European Theatre Research Network is a partnership with the Central School of Speech and Drama and Aarhus University in Denmark. It focuses on European theatre as a widespread landscape of many local contexts and discourses.

Histories: Art, Drama and Film Research Group
The Histories: Art, Drama and Film Research Group brings together staff and postgraduate students from across theatre, film and art history. The Group holds regular research seminars and supports student-led initiatives, such as organising conferences.

Identities, Politics and the Arts Research Group
The interdisciplinary Identities, Politics and the Arts Research Group brings together arts researchers and colleagues in other disciplines who share interests in issues of identity, community, diversity and agency.

Performance and Theatre Research Group
The Performance and Theatre Research Group’s mission is to create a warm and dynamic research community, welcoming everybody from fresher to professor. It comprises a delightfully broad church, with well-established expertise in a broad range of subjects, from dance and politics to popular performance and stand-up comedy.

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Kent’s School of Economics offers a wide range of taught and research postgraduate degrees which are informed by the School’s thriving research culture and cosmopolitan academic community.

We are dedicated to excellence in both teaching and research. We offer excellent training in economics and the opportunity to specialise in areas such as finance, econometrics, development and agri-environmental economics, as well as the skills to work as an economist at a senior level.

Our staff serve as academic advisers and experts to UK and international agencies, including the World Bank, International Monetary Fund, Asian Development Bank, European Central Bank, Bank of England, European Commission, European Parliament, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), HM Treasury, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), and the Ministry of Finance, India.

Key facts

- **Individual academic support** You have an academic adviser who is your point of reference for advice, support and guidance during your studies. For your MSc dissertation, you are also allocated a supervisor who can advise on data and provide comments on methodologies and written material. You take a module that ensures you have the knowledge and practical skills to research and write an MSc-level dissertation.
- **Postgraduate study space** The School provides a dedicated area for MSc students, with computer facilities and open space for discussion and group work.
- **Seminar programme** We have a regular seminar programme during the year, to which we invite outside speakers.
- **Student societies** There is also a student Economics Society, which invites its own speakers for discussion of topics in economics, and Kent Invest Society, which manages a virtual portfolio.
- **Intensive mathematics support** We provide a week of intensive teaching in mathematics for all our Master’s students to ensure you have the skills you need to achieve your full potential.
- **Research areas** Our research groups and centres include: Macroeconomics, Growth and History Centre (MaGHiC); Development Economics Research Centre; Centre for European Agri-Environmental Studies (CEAS); Microeconomics Research Group.
- **Graduate destinations** Recent graduates of the School of Economics have gone on to work for organisations such as AON, Bank of England, Government Economic Service, IBM, KPMG, National Audit Office and Office for National Statistics.

“There’s really strong support. The doors of the academics’ offices are always open and they are happy to offer advice. There’s also a definite community of research students – we all understood what our fellow students were going through and many of us have stayed in regular contact since graduating.”

Dr Jack Meaning, completed his PhD at Kent and now works at the Bank of England as an economist in the Monetary Analysis Directorate

**National ratings**

REF 2014, economics and econometrics:
- 84% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 21st for research intensity by the *Times Higher Education*

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Staff profile

Irma Clots-Figueras
Professor of Microeconomics

Professor Clots-Figueras came to the University of Kent in January 2019, from Universidad Carlos III de Madrid. She received her PhD in Economics from the London School of Economics in 2006. Irma is an applied microeconomist and her research interests include development economics, labour economics, migration, cultural economics and political economy.

Her work has been published in journals such as the American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, the American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, the Economic Journal, the Journal of Public Economics and the Journal of the European Economic Association.

She is an associate editor of SERIEs (Journal of the Spanish Economic Association), vice-chair of COSME (gender subcommittee of the Spanish Economic Association) and a research fellow of IZA (Institute for the Study of Labor).

Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Programmes in economics

Common compulsory modules for all Economics programmes

Students on all programmes take a set of compulsory modules. These cover areas such as: advanced macroeconomics; advanced microeconomics of consumers, markets and welfare; econometric methods. They also take a module that improves their research skills and so supports their work on their 12,000-word dissertation.

Economics MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/194
Location: Canterbury

This degree provides training in advanced economic theory and econometric methods. It develops a comprehensive understanding of how modern market economies function, provides deep insights into strategic interactions in core markets and examines the governmental role in regulating market activity.

Alongside the common compulsory modules, you take modules in development, international and labour economics. You then choose two further modules from a range covering areas including: international finance; microeconometrics; money and credit; and time series econometrics.

Economics and Econometrics MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/198
Location: Canterbury

Applied economics and econometrics are at the heart of this stimulating project-orientated programme. It introduces you to the advanced theory and practice of econometric modelling and policy evaluation. It is one of the few programmes in the UK that offers specialist training in this area.

Alongside the common compulsory modules, you take modules in financial econometrics, microeconometrics, and time series econometrics. You then choose two further modules from a range covering areas including development, international and labour economics, and money and credit.

Development Economics MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2207
Location: Canterbury

This programme examines problems faced by contemporary developing economies and looks into policies to overcome underdevelopment. Combining classical and modern approaches to development, social organisation and psychology, the programme scrutinises development from the perspective of social norms and interactions, along with pure market forces.
Alongside the common compulsory modules you take modules in development economics, advanced development economics, international economics, sustainable economic growth and environmental valuation. You then choose one further module from either advanced macroeconomics or the political economy of development.

Programmes in financial economics

Common compulsory modules for all Financial Economics programmes

Students on all programmes take a set of compulsory modules. These cover areas such as: advanced macroeconomics; financial economics; and econometric methods. They also take a module that improves their research skills and so supports their work on their 12,000-word dissertation.

Financial Economics MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2206

Location: Canterbury

This programme combines advanced economic and finance theory, with relevant econometric and quantitative methods. Building a bridge between the core economic areas of the financial sector, such as financial architecture, regulation and intermediation, and a classical finance curriculum, it will provide you with enhanced versatility in the global job market.

Alongside the common compulsory modules, you take modules in advanced topics in financial economics, international finance, money and credit. You then choose two further modules from a range covering areas including financial econometrics, international economics, and time-series econometrics.

Economics Conversion MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/196

Location: Canterbury

Students who hold a degree in a subject other than Economics may enrol for a two-year Conversion MSc. During the first year, you take the Diploma in Economic Analysis (DEA). This brings you up to the standard required to continue with MSc study. Students who pass the diploma with 60% and above then proceed to one of our MSc programmes. Students who pass but do not achieve 60% are awarded the Diploma.

Course content
Your compulsory modules introduce you to econometrics and time-series econometrics and also cover macroeconomics and microeconomics. You then choose either a module on policy analysis or one focusing on political economy and take a further module that focuses on one of the following areas: economic controversies; the economics of human capital; or the economics of money and banking.

In your second year, you follow your chosen MSc pathway.

Related taught programme
International Development MA
See p154.

Research programmes

For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Economics PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/208

Agri-Environmental Economics PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/207

Location: Canterbury

Our four-year PhD programmes are open to students who have successfully completed a taught Master’s programme in Economics or a relevant discipline. We provide an environment in which you can both develop as an economist and complete a high-quality thesis.

In the first year of study, you are required to take PhD-specific advanced training courses across macroeconomics, microeconomics, computational economics and econometrics. The content, structure and level of these courses provide the skills needed for independent economic research.

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The final three years of the PhD are devoted to independent research, under the guidance of a supervisory panel. At the end of this period, you submit a thesis, which is examined by viva voce. Research generated during the PhD can result in publication of papers in top economics journals.

You are encouraged to take part in regular reading groups, workshops and seminars that take place throughout the academic year.

Research areas

The School of Economics has a strong research culture and an international reputation in a number of fields, particularly development economics; labour; growth; business cycles; econometrics; and agri-environmental economics.

Macroeconomics, Growth and History Centre (MaGHiC)

MaGHiC brings together a large number of researchers at the School of Economics whose main interests lie in the wide area of macroeconomics. MaGHiC is the focal point for macroeconomic research, impact and training at the University of Kent.

The Centre’s main focus is on the analysis of macroeconomic issues, including productivity and growth, labour markets, income distribution, business cycles and macroeconomic phenomena from a historical perspective. The group also has technical strength in computational economics, macroeconometric modelling and forecasting, and expertise in building long-run macroeconomic time series and reconstructing historical national accounts.

Development Economics Research Centre

Research in development economics has been a particular strength at Kent since its founding in 1965. Today, the Development Economics Research Centre brings together a large contingent of economists with expertise in inequality, conflict, political economy, labour markets, trade, firms and informality. The group focuses on the use of applied microeconomic research methods to address the major challenges that developing countries face today.

Centre for European Agri-Environmental Studies (CEAS)

CEAS has a longstanding interest in agricultural policy analysis, rural and small enterprise development, economic modelling, and environmental and food chain analyses. CEAS also engages in interdisciplinary research and collaboration across a range of large international projects.

Microeconomics Research Group

In addition to the three research centres, the School has an active microeconomics research group, whose members’ research spans applied and theoretical microeconomics, and microeconometrics. The group’s research covers a wide range of areas with the main focus being on development economics, labour and education economics, microeconometrics, games and behavioural economics, the economics of food, economic geography, industrial organisation, political economy, networks and the economics of taxation.

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“The main objective for pursuing a postgraduate degree was to expand my employment perspectives. I’m impressed with how applicable and relevant the course is to industry. I believe my degree broadens the scope of employment that I am qualified for; I can look for employment in the fields of both economics and finance.”

Lauren Innis, MSc Financial Economics
The Centre for the Study of Higher Education provides a base for postgraduate provision with a distinctive focus on the field of higher education. The Centre is a focal point for research in this area, supported by seminars and events to which all postgraduate students are warmly welcomed.

We offer programmes tailored according to levels of experience and designed to enable you to select subject matter according to your own professional interests and role within higher education. The emphasis is on developing an understanding of the current higher education context, the diversity of provision and the implications for academic work.

Students on our taught programmes come from a wide range of subject backgrounds and bring a rich variety of experiences to their work, resulting in a lively interdisciplinary dimension to the taught modules and opportunities for debate.

Key facts
- **Wide-ranging expertise**
  Higher education is a broad interdisciplinary field, and members of the Centre research and publish on a wide range of subjects.
- **PhD study**
The Centre offers a PhD programme in Higher Education, which can be taken on a full or part-time basis. It is for those with a professional or scholarly interest in any aspect of higher education who wish to develop as independent researchers in this field. We offer joint supervision with other academic schools and can accommodate a range of research topics related to academic practice, policy, and learning and teaching in higher education.
- **Regular research seminars**
  These allow academic staff and postgraduate students to discuss their research and work in progress. Every term, we also invite a number of external speakers to give lectures and seminars.
- **External links**
The Centre is actively involved in relevant organisations such as: the Society for Research into Higher Education (SRHE), the European Association for Learning and Instruction (EARLI), Staff and Educational Development Association (SEDA).
- **Graduate and Researcher College**
  You have access to the extensive training and other resources provided by Kent’s Graduate and Researcher College.

“Superb supervision supported my development as an educational researcher but also increased my capacity for evaluation and contribution beyond my inquiry and existing role.”

Dr Tracey Ashmore, PhD in Higher Education Studies

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National ratings
REF 2014:
• 97% of the University’s research is of international quality
• 73% of the University’s research is internationally excellent

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Higher Education PCert (PGCHE)
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/239

Location: Canterbury, with some compulsory modules also taught at Medway (subject to demand)
Entry requirements: You should be teaching at higher education (HE) level for at least two hours per week throughout one term, so that there are opportunities for sustained teaching observation.

This programme offers theoretical and practical support for those embarking on a career in HE. It considers different approaches to teaching and learning, grounded in educational research, and related aspects such as curriculum design and delivery, and the principles and purposes of assessment. It enables you to bring these considerations to bear on your own work and experience as a teacher, researcher or practitioner.

The emphasis throughout is on developing an understanding of the HE context, recognising the diversity of provision – universities, further education institutions, specialist institutions, professional providers – and practices, for example, in different disciplinary fields.

Completion enables eligibility for Higher Education Academy (HEA) Fellowship.

Course content
Your compulsory modules provide an introduction to different theoretical approaches to learning and teaching and help you to situate your own teaching within the discipline you teach and within national and institutional higher education policies.

You then select two further modules from a wide range that covers areas in higher education such as: assessment and feedback, developing as a researcher, internationalisation and reflection and reflexivity. Other available modules consider learning and teaching innovation, technology in the academic environment, understanding student learning experiences and the inclusive university. You can also complete an individual investigation in higher education.

Higher Education P Dip, MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/241

Location: Canterbury
Entry requirements: A PGCHE or equivalent professional qualification, or negotiated alternative, plus a minimum of two years’ recent experience as an HE professional.

This programme offers an opportunity for HE professionals to deepen their understanding of principles, theoretical concepts and the policy context of HE. Practice-based specialist modules are combined with modules supporting the development of research skills, culminating in a dissertation for the MA. The emphasis throughout is on a critical understanding of the HE context and its implications for academic work.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover educational research methodology and higher education research.

You can then choose a module from one of the areas outlined in the PGCHE course content above or take four modules for students without PGCHE or equivalent

MA only
• Dissertation

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/242

Higher Education PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/242

Location: Canterbury
Entry requirements: A good honours degree or Master's in a subject relevant to your proposed research topic. You should contact the Centre to discuss your plans before making a formal application.

Please note: applicants must have current working knowledge of HE and we cannot offer supervision on topics related to school teaching or TESOL.

Research on HE at Kent includes work related to supporting academics’ development, practice and work; learning and teaching in particular disciplines and professions; assessment and feedback; and student experience and development.

The Centre draws on expertise from across the University, so we can offer high-quality PhD supervision; we work very carefully to match you with a supervisory panel that suits your interests and ambitions. You will find details of the research activities of our staff on the Centre’s website.

In addition to regular meetings with supervisors, all research students take part in a tailored research training programme, which can include research methods modules offered by the Centre or by other schools, as appropriate. You are also encouraged to participate in the seminars, workshops, new researcher networks and masterclasses offered by the scholarly bodies in the discipline, including the Society for Research into Higher Education (SRHE) and the European Association for Learning and Instruction (EARLI), and Staff and Educational Development Association (SEDA).
The School of Engineering and Digital Arts successfully combines modern engineering and technology with the exciting new field of digital media. Established over 40 years ago, the School has developed a top-quality teaching and research base, receiving excellent ratings in research and teaching assessments.

Our high-quality research has had significant national and international impact, and our spread of expertise allows us to respond rapidly to new developments.

We have research funding from the Research Councils UK, European research programmes, a number of industrial and commercial companies and government agencies. Our Electronic Systems Design Centre and Digital Media Hub provide training and consultancy for a wide range of companies. Many of our research projects are collaborative and we have links with institutions worldwide.

Key facts
- **Industry-standard facilities** The School has a broad range of hardware and software for image acquisition and processing, and facilities for designing embedded systems using programmable logic and chip technology, supported by CAD tools and development software from international companies, including Cadence™, Xilinx™, Altera™, National Instruments® and Mentor Graphics™. A full suite of Matlab/Simulink® tools is available. Our instrumentation laboratory has multiphase flow and combustion test rigs, which can generate a range of real-life, albeit reduced-scale, industrial processes. There are tools for the software design of RF, antenna and photonic systems (such as ADS™, CST™, HFSS™ and VPITransmissionMaker™) and subsequent testing with network and spectrum analysers up to 110 GHz, arbitrary waveform generator to 12 GSa/s, high-speed sampling oscilloscope to 100 GSa/s, on-wafer prober and high-quality anechoic chambers. Digital media computing resources include leading-edge PC workstations running Alias™ Maya and Foundry Nuke, a photographic studio and a production studio with green screen.
- **Research areas** Our research groups provide a thriving and supportive research community, which attracts external support and growing numbers of research students.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates move on to work as software and hardware engineers, UX designers and web developers, and as members of digital visual effects teams.

**Research programmes**

For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Our interdisciplinary research spans engineering, digital arts, technology and design. Enhanced by strong external collaborations, it actively promotes transformative changes to 21st-century society and industry.

Recent projects include:
- biometrics research that has been incorporated into international standards
- instrumentation and measurement technology that is used to reduce power station emissions in the UK and internationally
- novel, wearable antenna research that received mention in the House of Lords
- design of an optical fibre delivery system for reference signals in ALMA, one of the largest ever international astronomy projects
- the fifth generation (5G) and beyond mobile communications and mobile cloud networks.
- VR that has been used for people with dementia in 20 care homes.

**Digital Arts MRes, PhD**

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2702
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/264

Location: Canterbury

The School successfully combines modern engineering and technology with the exciting new field of digital media.
with the exciting new field of digital media, including interactive multimedia, digital film, animation, and virtual/augmented reality.

**Electronic Engineering MRes, PhD**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2701
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/262

**Location:** Canterbury

The School offers research-led degrees in a wide range of research disciplines, related to electronic, control and information engineering, in a highly stimulating academic environment.

**Biomedical Engineering MRes, PhD**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3261
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3262

**Location:** Canterbury

The School offers research-led degrees in a wide range of research disciplines related to Medical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Digital-Health and Medical Electronics. We enjoy an international reputation for our work and give our students the freedom to realise their potential. You can undertake cutting-edge projects in a broad range of biomedical related disciplines.

**Mechanical Engineering MRes, PhD**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3263
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3264

**Location:** Canterbury

The MRes and PhD research-led degrees in the Mechanical Engineering Group allow you to undertake cutting-edge projects in advanced fields of Mechanical Engineering. Research fields include: computer aided design (CAD), failure of materials and structures, computational fluid dynamics (CFD), automation and manufacturing, risk and reliability, industrial maintenance, robotics and autonomous systems, and digital mechanics.

**Research groups**

**Communications**
Current main research themes include:
- antenna systems
- electromagnetic bandgaps and metamaterials
- frequency selective surfaces
- microwave and millimetre-wave systems
- wireless systems and networks
- beamforming and advanced wireless techniques
- fibre-wireless systems
- photonic signal processing
- optical components.

- communications

**Instrumentation and Control**
Current work is in the following areas:
- advanced flame monitoring
- multiphase flow metering
- acoustic and electrostatic sensing
- hyperspectral imaging
- quality monitoring of recycled plastic waste
- medical instrumentation and rehabilitation for swallowing
- intelligent sliding mode control
- robust advanced control of robotic systems
- fault diagnosis and tolerant control of high-speed trains
- physical properties of biological cells
- mechanical properties of red blood cells
- mechanical system design
- mechanics of smart materials.

**Intelligent Interactions**
Current research themes include:
- advanced pattern recognition (medical imaging, document and handwriting recognition, animal biometrics)
- assistive robotics and human-robot interaction
- intelligent systems (including deep learning and artificial neural networks for semantic segmentation, environment understanding and robotic navigation)
- behaviour models for security
- biometric and forensic technologies
- brain-computer interfaces
- computer animation, game design and game technologies
- digital arts, virtual narratives
- distributed systems security (cloud computing, internet of things)
- mobile, ubiquitous and pervasive computing
- sensor networks and data analytics
- social and affective computing
- virtual and augmented reality.

**Staff profile**

**John Batchelor**
Professor of Antenna Technology and EPSRC Foresight Manufacturing Fellow

John Batchelor has been researching small antennas for over 20 years. His work specialises in the creation of abel-based sensors that use passive RFID links for communications in IoT and proposed connected objects in future ‘smart cities’ and healthcare systems. Developing these new devices is highly interdisciplinary and he frequently collaborates with material scientists, sensing experts and additive manufacturing researchers.

Throughout his career, he has led research in academic and industrial projects and he has won continuous funding from EPSRC and other agencies. His team is currently developing passive on-skin wireless accelerometers to optimise equipment for disabled users.

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The School of English has established a reputation as one of the leading departments in the country. The School is diverse and inclusive, which helps to create our lively and intellectually stimulating environment.

Expertise and specialisms range from the medieval to the contemporary including: British, American and Irish literature, postcolonial writing, 18th-century studies, Shakespeare, early modern literature and culture, Victorian studies, modern poetry, critical theory and cultural history.

There are a number of highly acclaimed and award-winning creative writers in the School, many of whom are both critics and widely published authors of novels, short stories or collections of poetry. We explore crossovers between creative and critical writing in all our areas of teaching and research. The variety and flexibility of our programmes, coupled with our inclusive international community, fosters an atmosphere of cultural and intellectual engagement and inquiry.

Key facts

- **Library special collections** The Templeman Library houses the following collections: the John Crow Collection of Elizabethan and other early printed texts; the Reading/Raynor Collection of theatre history (over 7,000 texts or manuscripts); ECCO (Eighteenth-Century Collections Online); the Melville manuscripts relating to popular culture in the 19th and early 20th centuries; the Pettingell Collection of 19th-century drama (over 7,500 items); the Eliot Collection; children’s literature; and popular literature.

- **Conferences and symposia** You are encouraged to attend and participate in the many international conferences, symposia and workshops organised by our research centres. You can also participate in a conference organised in collaboration with our CHASE partners (Consortium of the Humanities and the Arts South-east England).

- **Research seminars** These weekly seminars are organised collaboratively by staff and graduates in the School. Speakers include our own students as well as distinguished lecturers who are at the forefront of contemporary research.

- **Reading series** Our Centre for Creative Writing hosts a very popular and successful weekly reading series.

- **ICA partnership** The University of Kent has a partnership with the Institute of Contemporary Arts (ICA). Benefits include free membership for students, embedded seminar opportunities at the ICA and a small number of internships.

- **Postgraduate journal** You can contribute to the School of English postgraduate interdisciplinary journal *Litterae Mentis*.

- **Research areas** Our research centres focus on the following areas: the Long Eighteenth century; Victorian literature; American literature; creative writing; medieval and early modern; modern poetry; colonial and postcolonial; and gender sexuality and writing.

- **Graduate destinations** Our MA graduates have gone on to work as teachers, journalists, content executives, editors, web copywriters and market researchers. Some choose to go on to further study. Many of our PhD candidates now work in higher education in institutions around the world.

**“The whole department is open to helping you, which is what I like about being at Kent. All of the staff take an interest in your work and you receive lots of encouragement. The School has a wealth of expertise that you can tap into, which is particularly valuable.”**

Frances Reading, completed her BA and MA at Kent and is now studying for a PhD in English.

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**National ratings**

REF 2014, English:
- 95% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 10th for research intensity
- 15th for research power

**Apply online**

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

American Literature and Culture MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg
Location: Canterbury

On this programme you take your study of American literature to the next level. You develop an understanding of the points of contest and debate that have shaped American literature and gain the tools you need to pursue your interests and deepen your understanding of the field.

Overall, the MA in American literature and culture is designed to give its students breadth and depth of understanding in the field, preparing them for PhD study and a range of other professional career paths.

Course content

You take a compulsory module that focuses on American culture and conflict, and choose three further optional modules, at least two of which must be from our selection of Americanist options. Our selection of optional modules covers areas such as, critical race theory, medical humanities, American modernism and Cold War fiction.

After the spring term, you participate in a student-funded field trip to a major library, aimed at developing your research skills. Drawing on this experience, you write a 15,000 word dissertation on a topic of your choice, supervised by one of our Americanist academics.

Creative Writing MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/211
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/214
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/774

Locations: Canterbury; Canterbury and Paris; Paris

You are required to submit a sample of your creative writing, and this will be the most significant factor in admission decisions.

It is possible to study this MA either entirely in Canterbury or Paris, or split between Canterbury and Paris. This programme is also available as an extended MA, which is studied two years full-time or three years part-time.

The MA in Creative Writing allows you to study fiction and poetry (exclusively or together). Designed with serious, ambitious writers in mind, our programme uses seminars, tutorials, workshops, and precise editing to enable you to take control of your own work and write exciting, contemporary material.

If you are on the split-site Canterbury and Paris programme, you spend the autumn term in Canterbury, moving to our Paris School of Arts and Culture in the spring term. In Paris, your modules are taught in English.

Those spending their entire year in Paris can start the programme in September or January. They fully immerse themselves in the city that has inspired many of the greatest authors of the last several hundred years.

For further information about the Paris School of Arts and Culture, see p30.

Course content

You are encouraged to put together an MA programme that suits you and your plans. All students undertake a Creative Writing dissertation in their third term (the second year for part-time students). The modules you take vary depending on your location, but all students take creative writing modules that focus on fiction, poetry, or creative non-fiction.

Alongside their fiction or poetry creative writing modules, Canterbury students can choose to take one other creative writing module or to augment their studies with a module from the literature programmes or from other Humanities programmes.

In the spring term in Paris, alongside their fiction or poetry creative writing modules, Canterbury and Paris students take a module that allows them to produce work inspired by a specific location for a specific period of time. In the autumn in Canterbury, they can choose from any of the other creative writing modules on offer.

Alongside their fiction or poetry creative writing modules, Paris students also take a module that allows them to produce work inspired by a specific location for a specific period of time.

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**English and American Literature MA**  
[www.kent.ac.uk/pg/222](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg/222)  
**Location**: Canterbury  
On this programme you choose from the full range of our MA literature modules. The list is regularly added to by academics keen to explore new areas of thinking with students and to draw you into our established areas of research strength, such as postcolonial studies, 18th-century studies, modern poetry and fiction, or Victorian studies. The modules draw on different critical approaches and focus on a range of historical periods, ideas and places from modern India to post-war New York to literary London in the 18th century.  

**Course content**  
You choose from modules in areas such as: American modernism; colonial and postcolonial discourses; critical race theory; India in Indian and British literature; and Jane Austen and material culture; and postmodern poetry and poetics. It may be possible to take modules from other areas across the University.  
You also complete a dissertation.  

**Medical Humanities MA**  
[www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3)  
**Location**: Canterbury  
During this programme, you are introduced to questions asked about medicine from within the humanities. For example, you can examine the history of Western medicine and consider how medical practice is presented in, and shaped by, literature. You can reflect on what is involved in classifying a disease or an abnormal mental state, or explore various ethical and legal problems that arise within medicine.  
The programme is taught by scholars from different disciplines and is aimed primarily at people with a humanities background, although we also welcome people with medical backgrounds and current medical practitioners.  

**Course content**  
You take modules in areas such as: colonial and postcolonial discourses; India in Indian and British literature; postcolonial writing and the environment. You may also be able to select modules from other areas across the University.  
You also complete a dissertation.  

**Postcolonial Studies MA**  
[www.kent.ac.uk/pg/225](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg/225)  
**Location**: Canterbury  
The MA in Postcolonial Studies develops your understanding of how cultural forms offer a radical resistance to colonial worldviews that are still very much prevalent today. Modules draw on the expertise of staff in the literatures, cultures and histories of formerly colonised regions across the Global South and indigenous nations, particularly throughout Africa, Asia, the Middle East, the Caribbean and Latin America.  
Kent was one of the first universities to establish postcolonial literary studies in Britain and has continued to play a significant part in the development of the field.  

**Course content**  
You take modules in areas such as: colonial and postcolonial discourses; India in Indian and British literature; postcolonial writing and the environment. You may also be able to select modules from other areas across the University.  
You also complete a dissertation.  

**Related taught programme**  
**Medieval and Early Modern Studies MA**  
See p142.
Research programmes

For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

As a research student, you meet regularly with your supervisor, and can take part in informal reading groups and research seminars to which students, staff and visiting speakers contribute papers. You attend a series of seminars in research skills, which give you a chance to benefit from the expertise of staff and postdoctoral members in the School. PhD students may be given the opportunity to teach from their second year.

As a basis for advanced research, you must take the School and Faculty research methods programmes.

Creative Writing PhDs

Location: Canterbury

The Contemporary Novel: Practice as Research MA, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/232

This is an innovative and exciting programme in which you focus on writing either a portion of (MRes – between 30,000-35,000 words), or a full-length literary novel (PhD – between 80,000-110,000 words). While the aims and objectives remain the same as on any other PhD programme in the humanities (for example, you are expected to contribute new knowledge of some sort, and to explore original, contemporary research questions) you are expected to achieve almost all of this in the novel itself. There is no long critical piece attached to the PhD programme. Instead, you produce a 3-5,000-word essay that works as a preface to your project, linking your concerns with others’, demonstrating your awareness of theme and locating your work within/without one or more traditions. You also need to produce a full bibliography.

The programme encourages critical thinking, reading and research, and then helps you to turn it into contemporary fiction. You have a supervisory team to read your work and help you with thinking, research, plotting, editing, characterisation, pace, dialogue and so on.

Poetry: Text, Practice as Research MA, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/235

This programme allows promising poets to develop the potential of poetry as a tool of inquiry within the humanities. You produce a volume of poetry as well as a piece of scholarly research of 30-40,000 words. Given its emphasis on poetic practice as research into the possibilities and potential for contemporary poetry, the programme integrates with the aims and objectives of the Centre for Modern Poetry allowing for joint supervision between the two centres. Cross-faculty work on modern poetry, with colleagues in the School of European Culture and Languages is encouraged. The programme acknowledges the fact that poetry has historically understood itself as an art, consciously informed by research.

Text, Practice and Research PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/240

This programme addresses one of our main aims at Kent, which is to enable research students to take risks and use cross-disciplinary techniques to explore research questions. This PhD covers narrative non-fiction, as well as other forms of creative writing that are neither poems nor novels. The first student on this programme explored identity through hip-hop and handed in an album alongside a piece of scholarly research.

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“The aspect that I love most about the PhD is that it provides structure and support to a project I was already interested in pursuing. For the first time, I’m no longer attending lessons and trying to learn something new. Instead, I am taking the knowledge I’ve gained from my BA and MA and embarking upon a journey of my own.”

Katrine Lynn Solvaag, PhD Poetry: Text Practice as Research
Narrative Non-Fiction: Practice as Research PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2715
You produce a full-length work of narrative non-fiction of 80-135,000 words. This can be in the genre of memoir, travel-writing, biography or nature-writing, but may be a blend of manner, form and mode. It should make an original contribution in the field of creative non-fiction and contribute new knowledge within, and occasionally beyond, the humanities. Alongside this you produce a situating document that contextualises the text’s ideas, placing it within its own practice, precursors and traditions (3,500-15,000 words plus full bibliography).

English MA, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/231
Location: Canterbury
Staff supervise research in most areas of English and associated studies, and have expertise in the following areas: theory, modernism and postmodernism, 18th and 19th-century studies, women’s writing, literature and visual arts, Shakespeare and the Renaissance, early modern literature and culture, medieval studies, American literature, postcolonial literature, modern poetry, animal humanities, and gender and sexuality.

Postcolonial Studies MA, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/236
Location: Canterbury
Staff supervise research in the following areas: African literature in English and in translation, Caribbean literature, African-American and Native American literatures, Australian literature, New Zealand and South Pacific literature since 1800, Indian and Southeast Asian literature in English and in translation, Middle-Eastern literature and Mediterranean literature, postcolonial women writers, theory, and travel writing.

Research centres
Research in the School of English comes roughly under the following areas. However, there is often a degree of overlap between groups and individual staff have interests that range more widely.

Long Eighteenth century
The particular interests of the Centre for Studies in the Long Eighteenth Century converge around gender, class, nation, travel and empire, and the relationship between print and material culture. Staff in the Centre pursue cutting-edge approaches to the field and share a commitment to interdisciplinary methodologies.

Victorian literature
The Centre for Victorian Literature and Culture provides a stimulating research environment for staff and students. The Centre places a particular emphasis on Victorian literature and culture associated with Kent and the south east.

American literature
Staff research interests include 20th-century American literature, especially poetry, Native American writing, modernism and cultural history.

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Creative writing
The Centre for Creative Writing is the focus for most practice-based research in the School.

Medieval and early modern
The Faculty-based Centre for Medieval and Early Modern Studies has a distinctive brand of interdisciplinarity, strong links with local archives and archaeological trusts, and provides a forum for investigating the relationships between literary and non-literary modes of writing in its weekly research seminar (see p142).

Modern poetry
The Centre for Modern Poetry is a leading centre for research and publication in its field, and participates in both critical and creative research.

Colonial and postcolonial
The Centre for Colonial and Postcolonial Studies has an international reputation for excellence and an outstanding track record in publication. It also hosts a visiting writer from India every year in association with the Charles Wallace India Trust.

Gender, sexuality and writing
The Centre for Gender, Sexuality and Writing has particular research strengths in the histories of sexuality and gender. Along with other staff in the School of English, we currently offer supervision in a range of queer, sexualities, and gender-related studies from the medieval and early modern period to contemporary writing.

Medical Humanities
An interdisciplinary research network, we work to foster collaboration and exchange among medical and health humanities studies scholars.

Animal humanities
Excited about all things animal, we are an interdisciplinary research network working to foster collaboration and exchange among animal studies scholars.

Indigenous and Settler Colonial Studies
The Centre brings together scholars in the humanities and social sciences with individual interests in the Americas, Oceania, Western Asia, Southern Africa, and northern Europe, and with a collective interest in the global frameworks of Critical Indigenous Studies (CIS). We embrace the challenge (to non-Indigenous scholars in particular) to develop ethical forms of scholarship and engagement.

Staff profile
Dr Juha Virtanen
Senior Lecturer in Contemporary Literature
Dr Juha Virtanen completed his MA at Kent in 2008 and enjoyed his studies so much, he stayed at the University to complete his PhD, which he received in 2013. He joined the School of English as Lecturer in Contemporary Literature in 2015. His recent research projects include topics such as the role of collage and graffiti in the recent publications of Allen Fisher and Ulli Freer; the political implications of comicbook supervillains; female poets in the British Poetry Revival; and radical politics in contemporary poetry and poetics.

He is the author of Poetry and Performance During the British Poetry Revival 1960-1980: Event and Effect (2017) and his poetry is available in Back Channel Apraxia (2014), and -LAND (2016).

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English Language and Linguistics

English Language and Linguistics is a dynamic department with a vibrant research culture. We specialise in experimental and theoretical linguistics. In particular, our interests focus on quantitative and experimental research in speech and language processing, first and second language acquisition, variation and change, syntax, pragmatics and literary stylistics.

In addition to English and its varieties, our staff work on gesture and signed languages, French and its dialects, German, Greek, Korean, Romani, Russian and Spanish.

English Language and Linguistics is part of the Division of Arts and Humanities, which provides a thriving academic environment with a strong tradition of interdisciplinary research. Staff and postgraduates are members of the Centre for Language and Linguistics (CLL), a research centre which promotes interdisciplinary linguistic research.

Key facts

- **Academic partnerships** We have national and international links with academic associations, including the Linguistics Association of Great Britain, the British Association for Applied Linguistics, the British Association of Academic Phoneticians, the Linguistic Society of America, the Association for French Language Studies and the Poetics and Linguistics Association.

- **Linguistics Laboratory** Our linguistics laboratory is equipped for research in speech acoustics (recording equipment, studio, software for speech analysis), speech and language processing and acquisition (including eye-tracking, DMDX and E-prime), and general data analysis (Statistica, R, and Matlab running on both PCs and Macs).

- **High-quality facilities** These include excellent multimedia laboratories equipped for teaching in phonetics and psycholinguistics, as well as technical staff and designated areas for postgraduate study.

- **Talks and symposia** CLL organises events, from talks to symposia. In addition, you can learn about current research and exchange ideas at any one of three reading groups: the Language and Cognition Reading Group; the Stylistics Reading Group; and the Syntax Reading Group.

- **Research skills training** We help our research students gain the skills they need through a range of training events. These include: an ELL-specific induction day; the chance to act as peer-mentors for MA students; presentation of research at our annual Research Day; training seminars in statistics, the peer-review system and experimental techniques in linguistics.

- **Graduate destinations** Recent graduates have gone into academia in the UK and overseas, where they have joined doctoral programmes or secured places as paid research assistants on internationally and nationally funded experimental projects. Other popular career paths include speech and language therapy training, journalism, teaching (including mainstream, special needs and foreign languages) and publishing.

"The course enabled me to refine my pedagogical skills while also strengthening my linguistic understanding. The lecturers convey their knowledge in engaging and inspiring ways and are always supportive, delivering thought-provoking and practical topics to provide students with a well-rounded postgraduate experience.”

Oli McVeigh, MA Applied Linguistics

National ratings

REF 2014, modern languages and linguistics:
- 100% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 3rd for research quality and output
- top 20 for research intensity, research impact and research power

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Applied Linguistics with TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/357

Location: Canterbury

This MA is for teachers who are at the beginning of their careers and those who have a little more experience, but would like to develop and enhance their knowledge, skills and practice.

It covers the areas of linguistics that inform classroom practice (such as syntax, morphology, semantics, pragmatics and phonetics), raising awareness of these fields and applying them to Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL).

Practical teaching opportunities are a feature of the programme, including teaching to a peer group and foreign students. You can also observe language classes.

Course content

Compulsory modules include course and syllabus design, language awareness and analysis, and methods and practice for TESOL. You also study second language acquisition, sounds, and structure. You select further modules from a large range of options, details of which are online (www.kent.ac.uk/pg/357).

You also complete a research dissertation or teaching portfolio.

Linguistics MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/11

Location: Canterbury

The MA in Linguistics is for graduates with a background in language and related areas, looking to explore in depth the theory and experimental methodology of linguistics, from the study of sound (phonetics and phonology) to the study of words, sentences and meaning (morphology, syntax, semantics and pragmatics).

You are able to develop your own areas of interest and engage with aspects of your chosen discipline, which are informed by the latest research and scholarship. This programme offers a smooth transition to doctoral work.

Course content

Your compulsory modules cover areas such as: meaning; sounds; and structure. You also take a module that further develops your research skills in order to support your work on your dissertation.

You select further modules from a large range of options, details of which are online (www.kent.ac.uk/pg/11).

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/12

Linguistics PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/12

Location: Canterbury

We welcome applications from students interested in PhD research. Please see www.kent.ac.uk/secl/ell/people for details of staff research interests.

Research centre

Centre for Language and Linguistics (CLL)

English Language and Linguistics is the main contributor to the Centre for Language and Linguistics. Founded in 2007, the Centre promotes interdisciplinary collaboration in linguistic research and teaching. Membership embraces not just the members of ELL but also other staff interested in the study of language, including researchers in philosophy, computing, psychology and anthropology. This eclectic membership reflects the varied routes by which individuals come to a love of language and an interest in the various subdisciplines of linguistics.

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Environmental Social Science

Social science perspectives are crucial to understanding and solving environmental problems. Human behaviour produces many elements of the ‘natural’ environment, from landscapes to floods and famines. Local and national policies and international agreements regulate the environmental practices of corporations, governments and households.

The social sciences have a great deal to contribute to understanding what have become defined as environmental issues, and what measures can most effectively tackle them. This interdisciplinary programme draws on the contributions of anthropology, conservation and ecology, law, social policy and sociology, all areas where Kent is very active in research in each of these disciplines and so this programme is informed by, and builds upon, this strong base.

Key facts
- **Postgraduate resources** You have access to dedicated space within the School and are able to take advantage of excellent library and computing facilities. Where appropriate, research students are encouraged to expand their experience by teaching part-time in the School.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates move on to roles in international conservation and environmental organisations, local, regional and national government departments, and voluntary organisations.

Research programme
For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/14

**Environmental Social Science**
**MSc, PhD**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/14

**Location:** Canterbury

Research programmes involve writing a thesis on a particular topic with specialist supervision. You are given research training, which is tailored to the particular needs of your research and takes into account any training you have previously received. You also have opportunities to take modules on relevant subjects on a non-assessed basis to fill any gaps in your background.

The University of Kent helps you to develop as a researcher, through initiatives like our Researcher Development Programme, which helps you to develop specialist and transferable skills.

See www.kent.ac.uk/graduate-school/skills-training

We offer research supervision across a broad range of topics. We are especially interested in applications that include proposals to investigate the social dimensions of environmental issues in the countries in which we have area expertise, and topics in environmental politics and environmental movements.

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National ratings
REF 2014

**Social work and social policy:**
- 2nd for research power; 3rd for research intensity; 5th for research impact and quality

**Law:**
- 7th for research power; 8th for research intensity; top 20 for research output, research quality and research impact

**Anthropology:**
- 10th for research power; top 20 for research impact and research intensity
Event and Experience Design

Our teaching is informed by world-leading and internationally recognised research that provides innovative and immersive learning while offering you important links into professional practice.

We are situated on the Medway campus at the University of Kent, located within The Historic Dockyard Chatham. This is an internationally renowned riverside visitor attraction with ships, historic buildings housing museums, galleries and visitor experiences. It is also used as a film location (Sherlock Holmes, 2009; Les Misérables, 2012; television series, Call the Midwife, 2012-present) and for large-scale public performances and events. This is an ideal location to study and interrogate events.

Our environment is designed to provide excellent conditions for dynamic postgraduate work that contributes to the exciting creative and research community at the University.

Postgraduate resources

- **Specialist and professional audio visual equipment** This includes: high-end HD video, camcorders and digital SLR cameras; HD hands-free video cameras; and editing suites with industry-relevant software, audio recording devices and video mapping software and hardware.
- **Photography and video resources** Housed in the Engineering Workshop, these include: photography and video production suite with analogue and digital processing facilities; a darkroom with 35mm and medium format enlargers; a studio with lighting and backdrops for photography and video production; a large format industrial printer to produce very large-scale digital prints on to a range of materials.
- **Construction workshop** The Boiler House Workshop provides facilities for wood, metal, casting, plaster work, fibreglass, textiles and silk-screen printing, and laser cutting.
- **Production and performance studio** Housed in the Galvanising Shop this includes a full lighting rig and staging.
- **Recording studios** Housed in the Drilling Shed Studio these include a Foley recording studio and post-production rooms.
- **Graduate destinations** Career options include working as a: creative producer, event designer, creative at a marketing and branding agency, set and exhibition designer, designer in a creative studio, marketing manager, production executive, and events account manager.

Taught programme

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

**Event and Experience Design MA**

[www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2716](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2716)

**Location:** Medway

This is an interdisciplinary and evolving field of media, visual arts, design communication and performance. Through practice and research, you engage with, contribute to, and critique, this exciting area of cultural production.

You are taught in an environment that reflects the professional world of design culture and event production within which designers, photographers, video makers and performers collaborate and share practice.

You can experiment and test ideas across a range of media, means of communication and spaces.

**Course content**

You take modules in creative studio operation and immersive space design. You develop your professional practice, gain an understanding of research methods and improve your research skills in preparation for your independent research project.

**National ratings**

REF 2014, arts at Kent, as part of the music, drama and performing arts submission was ranked as follows:

- 1st for research power
- 98% of our research judged to be of international quality
- top 20 for research quality

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**Further information**

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The Film department at the University of Kent is known for its excellence in research and teaching. One of the largest European centres for the study of film, it has an established reputation going back over 40 years.

We currently offer expertise in North American, European and Latin American cinemas, and in genres such as horror, melodrama and the historical film. Our research and teaching engages you in a dialogue with aesthetic, conceptual and historical perspectives, as well as with digital media and practice by research.

Approaching film as a dynamic part of our cultural experience, we encourage thinking about motion pictures at the intersections of art, document and entertainment. Through theory and practice, individual research, student-led seminars and visiting speakers, we promote an environment in which postgraduate students are able to engage with the continuing vibrancy of cinema.

Key facts
- **Library resources** Kent’s Templeman Library has extensive book and specialist journal holdings in film and related areas. There is also a large reference collection of film on DVD, with individual and group viewing facilities.
- **Film screenings** Film at Kent has excellent viewing and library facilities, with a large number of films screened weekly during term time.
- **On-campus cinema** The Department also benefits from the presence of the Gulbenkian cinema on campus, which runs a programme of new releases and classics, in addition to first-rate viewing facilities within our student cinema, The Lupino.
- **First-class facilities** Purpose-built, and RIBA award-winning, the Jarman Building is home to professional-standard editing and studio facilities, as well as a dedicated postgraduate centre and teaching and social spaces.
- **Award-winning staff** The Department includes internationally renowned and award-winning filmmakers among its members of staff. These include Clio Barnard, James Davis, Shona Illingworth, Lawrence Jackson and Richard Misek.
- **Research areas** Our research clusters include: Film, Media and Culture; Histories: Art, Drama and Film; and the Aesthetics Research Centre. They push back the boundaries of film knowledge and host a range of research events, including symposia, visiting speakers and workshops.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates move on to work in a variety of roles including: volunteer co-ordinator at the Rotterdam International Film Festival; lecturer at the Communication University of China and Programme Assistant at Columbia Global Centers, Paris. Filmmakers include Ece Ger whose film *Meeting Jim* premiered at the 2019 Edinburgh Film Festival and Antonio Mascoli whose film *Namron* was selected to be included in the 2019 Flicks International Student Short Film Festival in Groningen, the Netherlands.

“The Film department is a community that offers a supportive and engaging experience. From lecturers who are researching at the cutting edge of their discipline to a friendly administrative team, we, the students, are encouraged to study to the best of our ability.”

Nelle Porter, MA Film

**National ratings**
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- 98% of our research judged to be of international quality
- top 20 for research quality

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Film MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/17
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/19
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/763

Locations: Canterbury; Canterbury and Paris; Paris

It is possible to study this MA in three ways: either entirely in Canterbury, in both Canterbury and Paris, or entirely in Paris.

The programme offers a thorough grounding in postgraduate-level film and is suitable both for graduates in the subject and those new to it. It is taught by experts in film and seeks to engage you with the key elements that make up the diverse nature of film and moving images.

If you are studying on the split-site programme, you spend your first term in Canterbury before relocating to our Paris School of Arts and Culture for the spring term, studying in the heart of historic Montparnasse. All teaching is provided in English by University of Kent academics.

For further information about the Paris School of Arts and Culture, see p30.

Course content
Canterbury or Canterbury and Paris students take modules in core areas such as advanced film theory, film research methods and/or film analysis.

Canterbury students also choose at least one module from a range of cutting-edge research-led topics in film studies. It may be possible to choose a further module from those offered across the University.

Canterbury and Paris students also take an advanced research-led film studies module and two other modules from those on offer in Paris.

Year-long Paris students take a film research methods module and an advanced research-led film studies module. They also choose two further modules from those available in Paris.

All students complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Film with Practice MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/343

Location: Canterbury

Entry requirements: Your application must include a link to an example of your film practice, a treatment for a short film (1000 words), a sample of academic writing (1,500-2,000 words) or a substantive film review that demonstrates passion for the subject.

The programme is suitable for graduates in film, experienced professionals who seek to advance their practice in a creative and intellectually stimulating environment and non-film graduates with a passion for film practice.

The programme is taught by award-winning filmmakers and internationally recognised film scholars.

Additional costs
The course offers workshops to enrich your practical skills and knowledge of the industry and provides access to facilities, such as a film studio, editing suites and production equipment, to support your development of a distinctive filmmaking practice. You are required to cover additional costs that your filmmaking may incur. The School supports MA Film with Practice students by reimbursing, upon submission of receipts, expenses of up to £300 per student for the dissertation film.

Course content
Two practical modules develop your filmmaking and project development skills. You then select two modules covering topics in film analysis, theory and/or history in order to expand your creative imagination and your ability to speak and write confidently about film style and film cultural traditions.

You also undertake a dissertation module, which includes the production of a final short fact or fiction film. This is designed to develop your creative voice and build your professional portfolio.

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Research programmes
For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Film PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/20

Film: Practice by Research PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/352

Location: Canterbury

Research supervision draws on wide staff interests in world cinemas, offering opportunities to study projects based in aesthetic, conceptual and historical perspectives on film and digital media, as well as practice by research.

Research areas
Research in both theory and practice is currently centred in six broad areas:

• national cinemas – form and history: North American, European, Latin American
• genres – horror, melodrama, romantic comedy, period films, extreme cinema and more
• the moving image in a digital context
• documentary film
• film aesthetics
• avant-garde and experimental cinema.

Research groups

Aesthetics Research Centre
The Aesthetics Research Centre co-ordinates, enables and promotes research in philosophy of art and aesthetics at the University of Kent. For regular updates on events and activities, please follow on Twitter and Facebook.

Film, Media and Culture Research Group
The Group’s main objective is to support and produce cutting-edge research in the areas of film, media and culture. A broad and welcoming church for the manifold approaches to our subject, we specialise in research that is collaborative, of high impact, international and interdisciplinary in scope.

Histories: Art, Drama and Film Research Group
The Histories: Art, Drama and Film Research Group brings together staff and postgraduate students from across the School of Arts whose research involves a cultural historical approach to their field. Whether it is in theatre, film or art history, the Group promotes and enables cultural historical research by holding a regular research seminar and supporting student-led initiatives, such as organising conferences.

Staff profile

Aylish Wood
Professor of Film

Aylish’s research is informed by an interest in the relationships between technology and moving-image media. Since undertaking a PhD on images of technoscience in American Cinema, she has developed a cross-media approach, working with animation, digital games, installation art and cinema.

Her current research is focused on 3D animation software and its use in visual effects, animations, adverts, and science visualisations. Funded by an AHRC Fellowship, this research has involved interviewing animators, developing a framework that draws on software studies, ecologies of technologies, and digital materialities, as well as cinema studies.


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“The lecturers are communicative and genuinely enjoy their subjects, making for an authentic and engaging learning experience. Their feedback is very useful, particularly when more than one piece of work is required for a module as it allows you to review your academic understanding or report style before submitting further work.”

Emily Read, MSc Finance (Financial Markets)
Finance

In today’s global environment, employers are increasingly selective in their search for competent business and finance professionals. Our Finance programmes equip you with a solid background in financial principles and practices, and cultivate your practical finance skills and real-world business knowledge.

We have a variety of specialist finance programmes offered by Kent Business School, the School of Economics and the School of Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Science. Our programmes are designed to comply with the requirements of the relevant professional bodies and to respond to the changing needs of the finance and financial services sectors.

Whether you are a graduate looking to enter the finance industry or to further your academic studies, or a professional wishing to improve your employment prospects, our Finance programmes equip you with the right skills and knowledge to develop or consolidate a successful career in the financial world.

Key facts

• Kent Business School is accredited by the Association of MBAs (AMBA) and the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). AACSB accreditation is gained by only 5% of business schools worldwide.
• School of Economics has a long-standing reputation for world-leading research and provides an inspiring environment in which to study.
• School of Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Science is widely recognised for its innovative teaching and outstanding research. You learn in a supportive environment.

Programmes

• Applied Actuarial Science MSc (p47)
• Applied Actuarial Science with an Industrial Placement MSc (p47)
• Finance (Finance, Investment and Risk) MSc
• Finance (Finance and Management) MSc
• Finance (Financial Markets) MSc
• Finance (International Banking and Finance) MSc

Graduate destinations

Our MSc Finance students usually go on to find jobs in commercial and investment banks, hedge funds, Big 4 accounting firms, and central banks such as, PwC, NatWest, Macquarie Group, Grant Thornton and Ghana International Bank.

Some of the lecturers have worked in industry so are able to bring their own experiences to the classroom. The course has also given me a better understanding of what is going on in the world. I now look more closely at details rather than take things at face value, which is a skill I can use in any job setting.”

Khalida Durrani, MSc Finance

Economics and econometrics:

• 84% of our research judged to be of international quality; 21st for research intensity
Mathematical sciences:

• 100% of our research judged to be of international quality; 25th for research power
Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Finance (Finance, Investment and Risk) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1703
Location: Canterbury

This programme is accredited by the Chartered Financial Analyst Institute (CFA) and the Global Association of Risk Professionals (GARP). The programme provides a sound understanding of the theories that underpin modern techniques in investment and risk management. The application of the theories is demonstrated in our finance lab with the aid of Bloomberg, via case studies and the use of online databases. Regular training sessions led by experienced Bloomberg trainers help you gain valuable practice in accessing and using market data. The Bloomberg platform also provides an opportunity for virtual trading practice and competitions.

Course content
You take compulsory modules in areas such as: credit risk; derivatives; essentials of financial risk management; investment management; investments and portfolio management; mathematics of finance; and quantitative methods.

You then select three further modules from a range covering areas including: the fundamentals of financial economics; business economics; corporate finance; ethics of international business; financial data modelling; financial statement analysis; and fixed income markets.

You also complete a project in finance.

Finance (Financial Markets) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1704
Location: Canterbury

The programme provides a comprehensive framework of knowledge, insight and vision regarding the key issues in finance, the finance function of organisations, and operations and functions of financial institutions and markets.

Elements of practical work may be carried out in Kent Business School’s dedicated Bloomberg Lab. The virtual trading platform allows you to access and engage with market data through practical case studies and the use of online databases. The programme also provides you with the training required for the Bloomberg Certificate.

Finance (Finance and Management) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1705
Location: Canterbury

The programme enables you to develop the practical skills required to produce relevant financial analysis of corporate companies, financial institutions or other bodies where finance is an important activity in both the public and private sectors.

There are opportunities for practical work on the MSc to be carried out in Kent Business School’s dedicated Bloomberg Lab. The virtual trading platform allows you to access and engage with market data through practical case studies and the use of online databases. The programme also provides you with the training required for the Bloomberg Certificate.

Course content
You take compulsory modules in areas such as: international business; corporate finance; corporate responsibility and globalisation; the foundations of finance; international financial markets and instruments; and organisational behaviour and human resource management. You also take a module to further develop your research skills.

You then select two optional modules from a range covering areas including: credit risk; the ethics of international business; financial regulation and financial crises; investments and portfolio management; managing multinational enterprises; and strategy.

You also complete a business report in finance.

Staff profile

Anastasiya Shamshur
Professor of Finance

Professor Anastasiya Shamshur joined Kent Business School, the University of Kent in November 2019 as a Professor in Finance.

Anastasiya’s research focuses on a firm’s decision-making processes broadly defined with a particular interest in capital structure decisions, ownership structure, M&As and banking. The quality of her research is recognised internationally. Besides publishing in leading finance and management journals, she has been invited to give talks at several prestigious universities in Europe and the US. Outside academia, her research has also been presented to policymakers at the European Central Bank, the Finnish National Bank, and the Croatian National Bank.
The MSc Finance (Financial Markets) is accredited by the Global Association of Risk Professionals (GARP), Professional Risk Managers International Association (PRMIA) and the Chartered Financial Analyst Institute (CFA). The CFA is the largest global association of investment management professionals and this accreditation offers additional material and resources to students, as well as connections with CFA members worldwide.

Course content
You take compulsory modules in areas such as: derivatives; financial risk management; financial data modelling; investments and portfolio management; and quantitative methods. You also take a module to further develop your research skills.

You then select two optional modules from a range covering areas including: the ethics of international business; finance with Excel; financial regulation and financial crises; financial statement analysis; fixed income markets; and financial economics.

You also complete a dissertation.

Finance (Financial Markets) HKBU Dual Award MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2198

Location: Canterbury and Hong Kong
Attendance: Two years full-time only

This two year dual award programme gives you the opportunity to attain your first Master's award, MSc Finance (Financial Markets) in the UK in your first year with your second year at our partner university, Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU), where you attain your second Master's award, MSc Mathematical Finance.

Course content
Stage 1 (Kent)
You take compulsory modules in areas such as: derivatives; financial risk management; financial data modelling; financial regulation and financial crises; fixed income markets; investments and portfolio management; and quantitative methods.

Stage 2 (HKBU)
You take compulsory modules in areas such as: computational finance; derivatives; mathematical finance; time-series analysis; probability theory and stochastic processes.

Finance (International Accounting) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg

Location: Canterbury

This programme is suitable for those who have studied accounting and finance or a related discipline, as well as for those who wish to enhance their careers in international accounting and finance.

It equips you with the professional and research skills you need to pursue a career in a wide range of institutional settings such as academia, auditing, banking, financial institutions, management consultancy and organisational management. It also gives you the foundations you need to move on to further study in the area.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover areas such as: financial accounting and reporting; financial and management accounting; business law, ethics and governance; corporate performance management; audit and assurances; strategic financial accounting; and the principles and practice of taxation. You also take a module focusing on business research methods.

You choose one optional module from a range covering areas including: international money and finance; corporate finance; and corporate responsibility and globalisation. You also complete a business report in accounting.

Finance (International Banking and Finance) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1706

Location: Canterbury

The programme develops cognitive skills that enable you to fully understand the complexity of the financial markets in the domestic and global economies, as well as an appropriate range of research skills and relevant personal and interpersonal skills to enable you to interact in the real world of business and finance.

Elements of practical work on the MSc is carried out in Kent Business School’s dedicated Bloomberg Lab. The virtual trading platform allows you to access and engage with market data through practical case studies and the use of online databases. The programme also provides you with the training required for the Bloomberg Certificate.

The MSc Finance (International Banking and Finance) is accredited by the Chartered Financial Analyst Institute (CFA), the largest global association of investment management professionals. The CFA accreditation offers additional material and resources to students, as well as connections with CFA members worldwide. The programme is also accredited by the Professional Risk Managers International Association (PRMIA).

Course content
You take compulsory modules in areas such as: corporate finance; derivatives; domestic and international banking; financial risk management; financial institutions management; and financial regulation and financial crises. You also take a module to further develop your research skills.

You then choose two optional modules from a range covering areas including: credit risk; ethics of international business; finance with excel; financial statement analysis; international money and finance; and investments and portfolio management. You also complete a business report in finance.
Forensic Science

Forensic Science at Kent gives you the chance to study a range of forensic disciplines, with a strong focus on developing scientific and analytical skills, preparing you for employment or further study. We create ‘crime scenes’, in our new crime-scene house, giving you a chance to examine, investigate and react in real time to an unfolding event.

Our Forensics team, which is part of the interdisciplinary School of Physical Sciences, is involved in studies including facial identification, substance identification, design of novel fingerprint developers and detection of concealed objects. With strong international reputations, our staff provide expert teaching, well-designed projects, first-class training and unrivalled enthusiasm within a stimulating academic environment.

We also offer practical training including use of the analytical instrumentation and services available, which ensure you gain a wide range of skills to aid employability.

Key facts
• **First-class resources** These include: NMR spectrometers; powder and single crystal X-ray diffractometers; X-ray fluorescence; SQUID magnetometer; Raman spectrometers; gas chromatography; high performance liquid chromatography; mass spectrometry; scanning electron microscopy and EDX.
• **Academic partners** We collaborate with universities around the world, including in France, Germany, Italy and the USA and several universities in the UK including King’s College, London and University College, London.
• **Industrial partners** These include Defra, Dstl, the Metropolitan Police and Kent Police.
• **Forensic Research Group** Funded by industrial and security firms alongside national and international funding councils, we work on projects around the theme of biological and cultural security. This includes ongoing work in forensic imaging, biological sensor design and analytical chemistry for substances of abuse.
• **Graduate destinations** Graduates from our forensic science programme move on to work in government agencies, consultancies, the emergency services, laboratories, research or academia.

Taught programme
For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg5
Forensic Science MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/5
Location: Canterbury

This course is for graduates with a strong grounding in a science discipline such as forensic science, chemistry, biochemistry or forensic biology. It prepares you for a professional role in forensic science within the criminal or civil judicial system, police or forensic practice, or research.

You develop command, control and management skills in relation to incidents and develop an understanding of analytical laboratory methods. Your integrated and critical understanding of forensic science is good preparation for a PhD in any associated discipline.

Course content
You study a combination of compulsory and optional modules covering contemporary and advanced issues in forensic science, including: DNA analysis and interpretation, fires and explosions, major incident management, and substances of abuse. You also take a module in physical research planning, gain advanced forensic laboratory skills and complete an MSc Research Project.

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**French**

Kent offers an excellent environment for postgraduate study in French literature, thought, culture, society and the visual arts from the 19th century to the present. Our main research interests include word and image studies, narratology, literary theory, psychoanalysis, sociolinguistics, postcolonial studies, medical humanities, gender studies and autobiography.

French is part of the Division of Arts and Humanities, which provides a thriving academic environment with a strong tradition of interdisciplinary research. Our staff and postgraduates take a leading role in both the Centre for Modern European Literature and the School of English’s Centre for Studies in the Long Eighteenth Century.

Our programmes benefit from Kent’s proximity to Paris in more ways than one. Most colleagues have research links in Paris. We have a long-standing exchange with the prestigious École Normale Supérieure.

**Key facts**

- **First-class resources** We provide high-quality IT facilities, including dedicated technical staff and designated areas for postgraduate study, including two networked multimedia laboratories.
- **Training workshops** We provide training for postgraduate students with teaching responsibilities, bringing together postgraduates from all our subject areas.
- **Conferences** Postgraduates organise their own annual international conference.
- **Learn from native speakers** Every year, a considerable number of French nationals and native speakers of other foreign languages follow our postgraduate courses, giving you plenty of opportunities to mix and converse with native speakers. We also have a team of French foreign-language lectors who combine undergraduate teaching with study for a higher degree or with writing a dissertation for their home universities.
- **Cotutelle doctorates** Research students can opt for a cotutelle doctorate leading to the award of a PhD from Kent and a doctorate from a French or Swiss institution.
- **Global outlook** This is reflected in research activities that are given an international dimension by publications, conference papers and public lectures in mainland Europe, the US, Australia and elsewhere.
- **Graduate destinations** Recent graduates have gone on to secure academic roles in the UK and overseas, as well as working in teaching and publishing.

“In addition to my PhD, I have been able to take advantage of the wide range of training and development sessions available. From research techniques to mindfulness, these sessions have improved both my academic and personal experience, in addition to furnishing me with the tools needed in my future career.”

Beatrice Fagan, PhD French

**National ratings**

REF 2014, modern languages and linguistics:

- 100% of our research judged to be of international quality with 85% classed as world-leading or internationally excellent
- 3rd for research quality and research output
- top 20 for research intensity, research impact and research power

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Staff profile

Larry Duffy
Senior Lecturer in French

Dr Duffy came to Kent in 2010 after teaching at several institutions including the University of Ulster and the University of Queensland. His main research interests lie in the interplay between literary, scientific and medical discourses in 19th-century France. Recent publications include peer-reviewed journal articles on medical themes in the works of Gustave Flaubert and Émile Zola, and on Michel Houellebecq’s 20th and 21st-century articularion of 19th-century preoccupations.

Larry is a member of the Society of Dix-neuviémistes Executive Committee and co-editor of the journal, Dix-neuf. His monograph Flaubert, Zola and the Incorporation of Disciplinary Knowledge was published by Palgrave Macmillan in 2014.

Research programmes

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg

French PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/41
Location: Canterbury

On some of our PhD programmes, you have the option of spending a year in Paris at the École Normale Supérieure.

French and Comparative Literature PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1701
Location: Canterbury

Both the Department of Modern Languages and the Department of Comparative Literature offer supervision from world-class academics with expertise in a wide range of disciplines, able to support and guide you through your research.

Previous doctoral theses from the departments of French and Comparative Literature have included ‘Logos, Bios and Madness in Nietzsche, Bataille, Foucault and Derrida’, ‘The Representation of Women Musicians in French, English and German Literature of the Nineteenth Century’ and ‘L’Éclat du voyage: Blaise Cendrars, Victor Segalen, Albert Londres’.

Research areas

Staff interests broadly fit within the parameters of French literature and thought from the 19th century to the present, with research clusters organised around the following areas: Ekphrasis; medical humanities; philosophy and critical theory; French surrealism; Cubism; the avant-garde; the interface between visual arts and text; travel writing; Franco-Japanese relations; crime fiction; Caribbean literature; life-writing.

Recent publications have focused on authors, artists and thinkers including: Apollinaire; Artaud; Badiou; Barthes; Blanchot; Cendrars; Chamoiseau; Cocteau; Crébillon fils; Deleuze; Diderot; Djebar; Flaubert; Foucault; Houellebecq; Maupassant; Mérimée; Nothomb; Père; Proust; Segalen; Voltaire; Zola.

Research centres

Centre for Language and Linguistics (CLL)
See p106.

Centre for Modern European Literature
See p75.
German at Kent offers an ideal environment for the postgraduate study of literature and culture within a broadly European context. The research interests of our staff cover the entire modern period, both within German-speaking countries and across Europe, and include poetry, the European avant-garde, modernism, postmodernism, literary theory and media studies.

Staff are experienced in running international projects and have attracted funding from sources such as The Leverhulme Trust and the Humboldt Foundation.

German is part of the Division of Arts and Humanities, which provides a thriving academic environment with a strong tradition of interdisciplinary research. Our staff and postgraduates take a leading role in the Centre for Modern European Literature. We host a number of foreign-language lectors who combine teaching with a higher degree or work on their dissertation for their home universities.

Key facts
- **First-class resources** We provide high-quality IT facilities, dedicated technical staff and designated areas for postgraduate study. Language-learning and translation facilities include eight all-purpose teaching rooms and two networked multimedia laboratories.
- **Training workshops** We provide training for postgraduate students with teaching responsibilities, bringing together postgraduates from all our subject areas. Students gain further academic experience by giving research talks in the Centre for Modern European Literature series.
- **Conferences** We encourage all of our postgraduate students to get involved in conferences.
- **Graduate destinations** Recent PhD graduates have gone on to work at the Deutsches Literaturarchiv in Marbach, and at the University of Freiburg.

Research programmes
For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

**German and Comparative Literature PhD**
[www.kent.ac.uk/pg/33](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg/33)

**German PhD**
[www.kent.ac.uk/pg/34](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg/34)

Location: Canterbury

Research areas
Staff research interests in German include: Austrian studies; Austrian intellectual studies; post-idealism philosophy and the German lyric tradition; 18th-century literature; modernism and 20th-century literature, especially Rilke, Kafka, Mann, W G Sebald and Jean Améry. Other areas of specialism within the School include: Beckett; Proust; the European avant-garde; modernism and postmodernism; cross-cultural transmission; translation theory; literary theory and aesthetics; Jewish writing; and literature and fundamentalism.

We can supervise postgraduate students in any of the areas listed here, as well as in other main fields of German and European literature. We encourage you to contact us to discuss your plans at an early stage of your application.

Research centres
Centre for Language and Linguistics (CLL)
See p106.

Centre for Modern European Literature
See p75.

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National ratings
REF 2014, modern languages and linguistics:
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- 3rd for research quality and research output
- top 20 for research intensity, research impact and research power

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Hispanic Studies

Research active academics in Hispanic Studies specialise in the broader field of modern and contemporary Spanish and Latin American history and culture.

We have research expertise in areas such as Spanish film studies and cultural studies, as well as military culture and history in the 19th and 20th centuries in South America and articulations of national identity in Mexico, Cuba and the Caribbean in the 20th and 21st centuries.

We are part of the Division of Arts and Humanities, which provides a thriving academic environment with a strong tradition of interdisciplinary research. Our subjects include French, German and Italian, so you study in a truly integrated, European environment.

Key facts

• First-class resources We provide high-quality facilities in IT, dedicated technical staff and designated areas for postgraduate study. Language-learning and translation facilities include eight all-purpose teaching rooms and two networked multimedia laboratories.

• Training workshops We provide training for postgraduate students with teaching responsibilities, bringing together postgraduates from all our subject areas. Students gain further academic experience by giving research talks in the Centre for Modern European Literature series and with the Film, Media and Culture Research Group.

• Conferences We encourage all of our postgraduate students to get involved in conferences.

• Graduate destinations Recent graduates have taken up academic posts in the UK and overseas, and also work in film programming and curating, and in language teaching.

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/72

Hispanic Studies PhD

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/72

Location: Canterbury

Research students need to demonstrate competence in Spanish.

Research areas

We have two Peninsular specialists (Dr Antonio Lázaro-Reboll and Professor Núria Triana Toribio) and three Latin American specialists (Dr William Rowlandson, Dr Rebecca Ogden and Professor Natalia Sobrevilla Perea). The Department’s range of interests covers contemporary Spanish film and Spanish popular culture and visual culture; Peninsular cultural studies; Latin American literature, including poetry, history, politics and culture; and articulations of national identity in Mexico, Cuba and the Caribbean in the 20th and 21st centuries.

Research centres

Centre for Modern European Literature

See p75.

Film, Media and Culture Research Group

See p111.

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National ratings

REF 2014, modern languages and linguistics:

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• 3rd for research quality and research output

• top 20 for research intensity, research impact and research power

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History

The School of History has strong and thriving postgraduate communities in medieval and early modern culture, social history, religious history, history of medicine, war and the media, imperial history and military history.

Our taught programmes draw on the breadth of research in the School to offer a wide range of modules, allowing you to tailor your studies to your interests. The School achieved excellent results in the Research Excellence Framework (REF) and also consistently scores highly in the National Student Survey. It has a vibrant intellectual community, in which postgraduate students play an active role.

The School provides a lively, research-led environment where postgraduate students are given the opportunity to work alongside academics recognised as experts in their respective fields.

Key facts

- **Library resources** Kent’s Templeman Library has a designated European Documentation Centre, which holds specialised collections on slavery and antislavery, and on medical science.
- **Special collections** The Library also has a substantial collection of secondary materials to back up an excellent collection of primary sources, including the British Cartoon Archive, vintage newspapers, a large audio-visual library, and a complete set of British Second World War Ministry of Information propaganda pamphlets.
- **Centre for the Study of War, Media and Society** The School holds a distinctive archive of written, audio and visual sources as well as material culture, including propaganda resources and medical apparatus.
- **External resources** Locally, you have access to: the Canterbury Cathedral Library and Archive (a major collection for the study of medieval and early modern religious and social history); the Centre for Kentish Studies at Maidstone; and the National Maritime Collection at Greenwich.
- **Ideal location for research** Kent is also within easy reach of the country’s premier research collections in London and the national libraries in Paris and Brussels.
- **Research areas** These include: medieval history; early modern history; modern British history; modern European history; American history; military history; the history of medicine, environment and technology; and imperial and colonial history.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates have gone onto a wide range of careers, including academia, national museums, galleries and archives, as well as the NHS, Fortnum and Mason, and even Sony Music.

“\nThe learning environment at Kent is outstanding. The staff are always on hand to support you throughout your studies, in addition to enabling you to explore the topics you are passionate about. I could not ask for a better place to complete my PhD!"  
Megan Kelleher PhD History

National ratings
REF 2014, history
- 99% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 8th for research intensity
- top 20 for research power

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Modern History MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/74
Location: Canterbury

The programme focuses on the period c1500-2000. You develop your capacity to think critically about past events, approach primary and secondary sources from a variety of perspectives and strive to understand the complex issues surrounding context and significance. In addition, you engage with the wider historiography and discourse associated with your studies, understanding the structure and nature of cultural, political and social forces in the modern period.

This programme draws on the wide-ranging expertise of staff giving you the opportunity to choose modules that reflect your own interests.

Course content
Your compulsory module focuses on methods and interpretation of historical research. You also undertake a dissertation.

You choose optional modules from a very wide range available covering areas such as: the British army and the Great War; landscapes of the Great War; Europe after Napoleon 1815-1849; nuclear America; the Imperial War Graves Commission, 1917-1939; liberation struggles in southern Africa; material culture in the Early Modern world; modern medicine and health since 1850; money and medicine in Britain and America since 1750; religion and society in 17th-century England; testimonies of war: oral history in theory and practice; themes and controversies in modern imperial history; war in the Hispanic world since 1808; War and propaganda and the media. You can also undertake a work placement.

Medieval and Early Modern Studies MA
See p142.

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/89

History MA, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/89
Location: Canterbury

We welcome research applications across the range of expertise within the School. We run regular seminars in medieval and Tudor studies, modern history and imperial history.

All first-year research students attend a Methodologies and Research Skills seminar. This training improves your knowledge of both historical theory and methods of using primary material, and can assist in funding applications.

Research areas

Medieval history
Our staff have particular expertise in the areas of Gothic art and architecture, the artistic representation of religious devotion, the ecclesiastical and religious history of the High Middle Ages, the medieval papacy, the Crusades, and the environment, economic and social history of the British Isles in the late medieval period.
Early Modern history
Areas of research include the political, religious and social history of Britain from the Reformation to the Enlightenment, the history of objects and material culture in early modern Europe, and the interaction between the Christian and Islamic worlds in the early modern period.

Modern British history
Our areas of research include modern Irish history, the influence of sport on British society, the memory and commemoration of the First World War in Britain, and the political, social and cultural history of Britain in the 19th and 20th centuries.

Modern European history
Particular specialisms include the French Revolution and revolutionary movements in Europe, Russian and Soviet political and cultural history, the political and diplomatic exchanges between Britain and Europe before and during the Second World War, the effects on French and German societies of Nazi occupation and rule, the history of British intelligence operations in the Second World War, and the impact of war on European cities.

American history
Themes include the American West, the American Revolution, Atlantic history between 1500 and 1800, 20th-century US history, and American constitutional, political and diplomatic history.

Military history
Examining war from a historical perspective, our research includes the impact of industry and mechanisation on war and societies, the relationship between British and indigenous societies in the British Empire, the history of the Spanish Carlist wars and the Spanish Civil War, and the political, military and cultural history of the First World War.

History of science, medicine, environment and technology
Incorporating such themes as the impact of war on medical developments, the history of disability in British society, and the relationship between medicine and commerce throughout history.

Imperial and colonial history
We explore key themes and regions in the making of world history, from the 18th century to the present day. Our staff have particular expertise in sub-Saharan Africa, colonial South Asia, technology and space, the role of the United Nations in the 20th century and the British Empire.

Staff profile
Karen Jones
Professor of Environmental and Cultural History

Professor Karen Jones is an expert in modern environmental and cultural history. She is one of the leading environmental historians in the UK and has published widely on animal history, conservation, parks and environmental attitudes.

Her research interests centre on the ways in which humans have consumed, appreciated and protected the natural world, from female hunters writing of their experiences on the American frontier to the establishment of public museums full of taxidermy beasts in European capitals.

She is currently working on a project that combines environmental history, imperial history and medical humanities to explore the creation of city parks as ‘green lungs’ in London, Delhi and Shanghai.

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History of Art

The History of Art Department within the School of Arts offers distinctive programmes which provide opportunities for graduate study with well-established researchers in the fields of art history, curation, philosophy of art and aesthetics.

The Department currently offers expertise in contemporary art and aesthetics, Renaissance art, modernism, theories of art, the historiography of art and the Cold War, biographical monographs, the photograph (in its historical, contemporary and critical contexts), and the historical interplay of image, theory and institutions from the Renaissance to the present (especially European and North American).

Developing areas of interest include the cultural and historical significance of prints and drawings and the role of performance and new media in contemporary art practices, which draw upon our links with other subjects within the School of Arts and the broader humanities.

Key facts

- **First-class facilities** The purpose-built, and RIBA award-winning, Jarman Building is home to the Studio 3 Gallery and there are a range of teaching and social spaces as well as a dedicated postgraduate centre.

- **Library resources** There is a large and wide-ranging library holding for History of Art, covering the fields of painting, sculpture, architecture, photography, aesthetics and contemporary visual communications. There is a substantial stock of periodicals and online access to e-journals.

- **Research areas** Postgraduates can participate in the activities of the multidisciplinary Aesthetics Research Centre and the Histories: Art, Drama and Film Research Cluster.

- **Highly ranked** History of Art at Kent is ranked 12th in the UK in The Complete University Guide 2021.

- **Visiting speaker programme** There is a full programme of visiting speakers from across the constituent subject areas within the School of Arts, which include Film, Drama and Media Studies.

- **Ideal location for research** Kent is ideally located for access to galleries in London and on the continent.

- **Graduate destinations** Our students have gone on to careers in museums and galleries, curating, teaching, public relations, marketing and creative consultancy. Some choose to move on to further study.

“I have received loads of support on both my MA and into my PhD, which has allowed me to do so much more than I thought possible. Staff are really encouraging of your own ideas too, and there is a great sense of community here at Kent.”

Alice Helliwell, PhD History & Philosophy of Art

National ratings

REF 2014, history of art as part of the music, drama and performing arts submission was ranked as follows:

- 1st for research power
- 98% of our research judged to be of international quality
- top 20 for research quality

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Taught programmes
For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Curating MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/96
Location: Canterbury

This programme, delivered by School of Arts and specialist visiting lecturers, develops your skills and provides experience relevant to a career in curating.

Using the School of Arts’ Studio 3 Gallery, you are involved in all aspects of the running of the Gallery. You have the opportunity to work closely with partner organisations such as Canterbury museums and galleries.

Compulsory modules provide an overview of the history of collecting and exhibitions through a series of case studies, taking advantage of our proximity to major London collections. We also cover theoretical issues relating to curating and museology.

Collaborating with other students, you can develop your own project, working within the Gallery’s exhibition programme.

Course content
You take a compulsory module in the history and theory of curating. You also undertake a curatorial internship.

You then select optional modules from a range covering areas such as: the art of portraiture; curating art history; museums, material culture and the history of science; philosophical issues in art history and visual culture; post-conceptual art and visual arts criticism.

History & Philosophy of Art MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/97
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/99
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/762

Locations: Canterbury; Canterbury and Paris

It is possible to study this MA in three ways: either entirely in Canterbury, in both Canterbury and Paris, or entirely in Paris.

This MA provides a structured introduction to the postgraduate study of the history and philosophy of art. Particular areas of focus include contemporary art, photography, Renaissance art, 18th-century British painting, modernism, aesthetics and the philosophy of art and film. You may elect to take a Philosophy of Art and Aesthetics pathway, which draws on the expertise of our Aesthetics Research Centre.

If you are studying on the split-site programme, you spend your first term in Canterbury before relocating to our Paris School of Arts and Culture for the spring term, studying in the heart of historic Montparnasse. All teaching is provided in English, by University of Kent academics.

Those on the year-long Paris programme take modules from their own subject area alongside optional modules inspired by Paris and its unique cultural history.

For further information about the Paris School of Arts and Culture, please see p30.

Course content
Canterbury or Canterbury and Paris students take a module focusing on the key concepts and classic texts in history and philosophy of art. They also undertake a dissertation of 12-15,000 words.

Canterbury students also choose two further modules from a range of options covering areas such as: the art of portraiture; the history and theory of curating; modern art in Paris; philosophical issues in art history and visual culture; and post-conceptual art and visual arts criticism.

Canterbury and Paris students also take a module focusing on modern art in Paris and then choose one module from options covering areas such as: curating art history; the history and theory of curating; post-conceptual art and visual arts criticism; key issues in contemporary culture and how they shape aesthetic forms; and theories of art in modern French thought.

They then take one further module from those available in Paris.

Year-long Paris students’ compulsory modules focus on the key concepts and classic texts in history and philosophy of art and modern art in Paris. They select one further module from those available in Paris and complete a dissertation of 12-15,000 words.

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“My PhD is giving me skills such as the ability to think critically and develop my original thought, and to gather and organise hard historical evidence to support my ideas. In general, I believe that doing a PhD improves project management and time management skills, two abilities that make the difference in any kind of job.”

Marta Colombo, PhD History and Philosophy of Art
Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/100

History and Philosophy of Art
PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/100
Location: Canterbury

As a group, we have a collective interest in developing interdisciplinary projects, including projects informed by art history and philosophy of art or aesthetics. Shared areas of research interest include: photography, art theory from the Renaissance to recent times, and contemporary art, including global and non-Western practice. We can offer supervision in any of these areas.

Research groups

Aesthetics Research Centre
The Aesthetics Research Centre coordinates, enables and promotes research in philosophy of art and aesthetics. For regular updates on events and activities please follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

Histories: Art, Drama and Film Research Group
The Histories: Art, Drama and Film Research Group brings together staff and postgraduate students from across the School of Arts whose research involves a cultural historical approach to their field. Whether it is in theatre, film or art history, the Group promotes and enables cultural historical research by holding a regular research seminar and supporting student-led initiatives, such as organising conferences.

Staff profile

Dr Ben Thomas
Reader in Art History

Ben is an art historian and curator. He was co-curator, with Catherine Whistler, of Raphael: The Drawings, at the Ashmolean Museum (2017), and co-curator of the exhibition Drawing Together at the Courtauld Gallery (2017/18), which explored the nature of drawing through a selection of works in the Courtauld’s collection and by the contemporary artists Stephen Farthing, Humphrey Ocean and Jenny Saville.

At Kent, Ben is the convenor of the MA Curating and was the founding Curator of Kent’s Studio 3 Gallery from 2010 until 2015. In this role, he has worked with a wide range of contemporary artists including Art & Language, John Blackburn, Paul Coldwell, Rose Hilton, Philip Hughes, Ana Maria Pacheco, Marcus Rees Roberts, Brian Rice, Richard Rome, Aithan Shapira, and Hani Zurob.

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Human Geography

Human Geography examines a wide range of topics but, in essence, it is broadly concerned with the dynamic interactions between humans and their environment. This encompasses social and cultural geography, urban and political geography, economics and development studies, as well as environmental and landscape planning.

At Kent we encourage students to explore the complex, dynamic and changing relationships between humans and the environment. This focuses on how these interactions are reproduced spatially, as well as how humans adapt to the environment and environmental change.

Key facts
- **Interdisciplinary community** The geography community at Kent reaches across the University. At its heart is the Kent Interdisciplinary Centre for Spatial Studies (KISS). You are encouraged to participate in the activities of the Centre, including attending seminars and symposiums, which give you access to relevant and innovative research activities led by geographers from all over the world.
- **Access to ArcGIS** With a University-wide licence for ArcGIS you’ll have access to this essential software wherever you choose to work on campus.
- **Graduate destinations** A higher degree in Human Geography opens up fascinating career possibilities. Human Geographers are highly employable globally working in all levels of government, civil society (including Non-Governmental Organisations), the private sector and academia.

PhD applications are welcome in any main aspect of human geography including rural and urban geographies, the geographies of tourism, development geography and political geography, as well as GIS and the utilisation of new geo-spatial technologies.

**Human Geography MSc by Research**

For the MSc by Research, you research and write a thesis under the supervision of one or two academic staff.

For the PhD, you research and write a thesis of a maximum of 100,000 words under the supervision of an academic team.

We have a vibrant research group whose interests stretch across the range of human geography.

We welcome students with the appropriate background for research. The first year may include coursework, especially research methods modules for students who need additional training. If you are interested in registering for a research degree, you should contact the member of staff whose research is relevant to your interests. You should include a curriculum vitae and a 1,500-word research proposal.

**Research programme**

For the most up-to-date information, see [www.kent.ac.uk/pg](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg)

**Supervision**

Postgraduate research can take place in any area of human geography that qualified members of the School are able to supervise. For further information, please see staff details on our website.

Full-time research students have a supervisory committee of three, which includes a main supervisor who oversees the day-to-day progress of the project. Students have regular supervision meetings with their supervisors through the academic year. These meetings involve discussion of how your project is developing, your readings and how your field research and writing-up are progressing.

National ratings

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Without doubt, Italy is a cornerstone of European culture, art and history, as well as providing a controversial and stimulating area of studies in the modern period.

Kent offers an ideal environment for the postgraduate study of modern Italian society, literature and thought within a broadly European context. The research interests of staff cover the modern period and postgraduates also benefit from the Centre for Modern European Literature research seminar series and the activities of the Centre for Critical Thought, which includes lectures by guest speakers.

We can assist with language-training needs for overseas postgraduate students, particularly where English is concerned, and are part of the Erasmus network.

Key facts

- First-class resources: We provide high-quality facilities in IT, dedicated technical staff and designated areas for postgraduate study. Language-learning and translation facilities include eight all-purpose teaching rooms and two networked multimedia laboratories.
- Training workshops: We provide training for students with teaching responsibilities, which bring together students from all our subject areas. Students gain further academic experience by giving research talks in the Centre for Critical Thought series.
- Conferences and seminars: We encourage you to get involved in conferences. Regular research seminars help to bring our students together as a community, as well as to introduce them to visiting speakers from outside the University.

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/104

Italian PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/104

Location: Canterbury

We offer supervision on contemporary Italian literature, visual culture, cinema, critical thought and cultural studies. We welcome postgraduate students who obtained their first degree in Italy.

Graduate destinations
Recent graduates are working in academia in the UK and Europe, as well as in professional roles in education and publishing.

Research centres

Research at Kent is consciously conceived as interdisciplinary with research in modern languages and beyond, uniting staff with specialisms in the history, art, literature and politics of Europe and the technicalities of language.

Centre for Critical Thought
Italian played a leading role in the founding of the Centre for Critical Thought (CCT). The Centre consolidates, sustains and develops cutting-edge research on critically oriented theory within the humanities and social sciences. Research within CCT focuses on the nature and scope of critical thought from an interdisciplinary perspective. For further details, see p159.

Centre for Modern European Literature
See p75.

Film, Media and Culture Research Group
See p111.

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National ratings
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- 3rd for research quality and research output
- top 20 for research intensity, research impact and research power

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As a postgraduate journalism student at Kent’s Centre for Journalism, you undertake research and learn in an environment that instils excellence in the practice of convergent, multimedia journalism.

The Centre is professionally accredited by the National Council for the Training of Journalists. It has a scholarship agreement with Associated Newspapers and work placements for all taught MA students with the Kent Messenger Group. Students benefit from the opportunity to undertake paid work for our Ofcom-regulated, regional television news channel, KMTV.

A lively and welcoming community, we hold regular seminars and masterclasses. Recent visitors have included Amol Rajan, BBC News; Ed Conway, Sky News; Gavin Esler, former presenter of Newsnight; Jon Snow, presenter of Channel 4 News and Mark Thompson, former Director General of the BBC.

The range of professional interests in the Centre mean we can offer wide scope for research supervision.

Key facts

- **Industry-standard facilities** The Centre’s state-of-the-art multimedia newsrooms are equipped with the latest audio and video-editing technology, a radio studio and broadcast-quality television facilities, including a dedicated postgraduate newsroom. Newsroom computers offer a range of software for teaching and research support.

- **Access to news feeds** You have access to Press Association newswires, Sky News Radio and Reuters World Television News feeds.

- **Multimedia website** Our website, www.centreforjournalism.co.uk, offers live publishing facilities in text, audio and video.

- **Library resources** The Drill Hall Library’s resources for journalism research include a comprehensive range of texts on the history, principles and practice of journalism. Specialist resources include a complete microfiche archive of popular newspapers of the Second World War. Students have access to online full-text journals and extensive online newspaper resources.

- **Access to relevant journals** The Centre subscribes to relevant UK journals. In addition, research students have access to the SCONUL scheme to visit and borrow from other UK libraries.

- **Graduate destinations** The Centre’s graduates work for the Daily Mail, The Sun, Sky News, Sky Sports, The Jeremy Vine Show, CNN, Euronews, BBC Persian, the Financial Times, This Is Money, KMTV and a wide range of local and regional newsrooms.

“The degree prepares you for when you graduate; you know how to produce a television or radio package, how to write for print. A lot of us had never done radio before, many of us had never written for the press and you get to the end of term and know you can do all of these things.”

Chloe Perceval, MA Multimedia Journalism

**National ratings**

REF 2014:
- 97% of the University’s research is of international quality
- 73% of the University’s research is internationally excellent

**Apply online**

www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply
Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

International Multimedia
Journalism MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/107
Location: Medway

The programme teaches multimedia journalism to graduates of universities outside the UK who aspire to pursue a career in the news industry. You learn to report for newspapers, websites, radio and television in a live newsroom environment. Using state-of-the-art technology, you work to real deadlines to make news programmes and upload your work to the internet. Your tutors are award-winning journalists with decades of front-line experience in national and international news.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover areas including reporting and writing; journalism law, ethics and regulation; and principles and practices of convergent journalism introducing you to the professional challenges of modern reporting and preparing you to pass the National Council for the Training of Journalists’ Diploma in Journalism (this involves passing papers in shorthand, public affairs, law and reporting). You choose academic modules from a range covering areas such as: the history of journalism; and communication and humanitarianism. You may choose to complete a dissertation.

Research programmes

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/111

Journalism MA, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/111
Location: Medway

Research programmes are best suited to students who have a clear and original idea of a topic that they would like to investigate in detail. The MA by Research entails producing a 40,000-word thesis. The PhD demands a high level of research and analysis, resulting in a dissertation of 80,000 words. All first-year research students attend a Methodologies and Research Skills seminar. Through the Faculty of Social Sciences, the Centre provides training in methods of using sources and can assist in funding applications.

We welcome research applications across the range of expertise in the Centre and from all over the world.

Staff profile

Richard Pendry
Senior Lecturer in Broadcast Journalism; Director of Graduate Studies

Richard Pendry teaches broadcast production at the CFJ, and an academic course in war reporting called Reporting Conflict. He is a former member of the news agency Frontline News Television. Richard has made short films about Iraq for the Daily Beast. His most recent documentary film for al Jazeera was an investigation into corrupt practices in a FTSE 250 company in Kazakhstan. He also chairs debates at the Frontline Club in London. Richard researches reporting practices in contemporary foreign news gathering. For his last publication he conducted research on the sources used by the online investigators Bellingcat in Ukraine, including the shooting-down of Malaysian Airlines flight MH17. Richard has also written articles for scholarly journals on the ethical implications of professional reporters’ use of locally-hired news gatherers in Syria, and conflict journalists’ informal source networks in Iraq after the invasion of 2003.

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Kent Law School (KLS) is a cosmopolitan centre of world-class critical legal research, offering a supportive and intellectually stimulating place to study. KLS gives you unparalleled opportunities to study with leading academic experts in a variety of specialised fields of law.

The Kent LLM at the University’s Canterbury campus enables you to specialise in one or many areas of law by giving you an open choice of modules and pathways. Our LLM programmes at the University’s Brussels School of International Studies also allow you to gain a secondary specialisation in politics and international relations. With all of our programmes you gain expertise in a range of international and domestic subjects and develop advanced, transferable research and communication skills. Some programmes give you the opportunity to study at both Canterbury and Brussels.

You study within a supportive and intellectually stimulating environment, working closely with academic staff whose critical teaching is informed by world-class research.

**Key facts**

- **A global view** KLS is international in outlook and our programmes attract excellent law graduates from around the world, giving you the opportunity to discuss different international approaches to law with your peers.
- **Switch to law** We welcome non-law graduates with an appropriate academic or professional background who wish to develop an advanced understanding of law in their field.
- **Critical research** You are immersed in a culture of critical research within KLS, which is widely regarded as a centre of excellence in legal research and teaching. Our research is collaborative and seeks to enhance public debate and aims to make a difference.
- **Extra-curricular activities** These include our award-winning law clinic, an annual LLM conference which gives students the chance to present their research and our regular guest lecture programme.
- **Research centres** Our research centres include: the Centre for Critical International Law, the Kent Centre for Sexuality, Race and Gender Justice, the Kent Centre for European and Comparative Law, the Centre for Critical Thought, and the Centre for Heritage.
- **Staff with influence** Academic staff at Kent are widely published and cited, and many are members of influential external policymaking and advisory groups.
- **Postgraduate life in KLS** You can find out about life as a postgraduate student at Kent directly from our current students by reading our Mastering Law blog (http://blogs.kent.ac.uk/klsllm/).
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates progress to a variety of roles within the legal profession including as barristers, solicitors, advocates and lawyers, both in the UK and internationally. Beyond the legal profession, our graduates also successfully secure legal, financial and business roles in charities, NGOs, and national and global businesses.

**“The great thing about studying an LLM at Kent Law School is the plethora of specialisms and modules available to choose. You can even choose to do a combined degree with one major and one minor specialism, which is what I decided to do.”**

*Nikoletta Komiati, Intellectual Property Law with International Commercial Law*

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**National ratings**

REF 2014, law:
- 99% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 7th for research power
- 8th for research intensity

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Canterbury programmes

The postgraduate programmes offered within Kent Law School are usually taught in seminar format. Students on the Diploma and LLM programmes study three modules in both the autumn and the spring terms, and a required module in legal skills. LLM students complete a dissertation of 15,000 words. All LLM programmes offer September or January entry – with a longer period of registration for January entry (15 months full-time or 28 months part-time), for September entry (1 year full-time or 2 years part-time). It is also possible to obtain a Postgraduate Certificate in Law by taking three modules from the full range available.

Choosing your subject pathway

Our LLM and Diploma programmes are open and flexible. You can specialise in one area of law (pathway), or you can study one major and one minor pathway. Alternatively, if you wish to broaden as well as deepen your knowledge of law, you can graduate with an LLM in Law with no one specialist pathway. You do not have to decide your pathway until after you arrive at Kent and have sampled the available modules. To be awarded an LLM in a single subject, at least four of your six modules must be chosen from those associated with that subject pathway, with your dissertation also focusing on that area of law. To follow a double subject pathway, you need to choose three modules associated with one subject pathway, and three from another subject pathway, with the dissertation determining which is your ‘major’ subject.

Subject pathways

Criminal Justice

This subject pathway is designed for people who already work, or intend to work, within the criminal justice system, whether for the police, probation service, prison service or other organisations, or those with an interest in such matters.

You cover criminal law and procedure in the UK, internationally and comparatively. You also examine criminal justice systems from a range of other perspectives, including the management of organisations, human rights, the psychological and sociological causes of criminal behaviour, and social and economic perspectives.

Course content

You choose from a range of modules covering areas such as: European Union criminal law and procedure; international criminal law; policing; and transnational criminal law. You can also choose modules from those offered on the Criminology MA (see p84).

Human Rights Law

This subject pathway examines human rights protection at national, regional and international levels. This subject pathway is particularly suited to those who work in, or hope to work in, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, international law firms and foreign affairs departments. It is also suited to those who want to develop a human rights practice in a domestic law context.

You are encouraged to participate in the activities of our Centre for Critical International Law (CeCIL).

Course content

You choose from a range of modules covering areas such as: cultural heritage law; European Union criminal law and procedure; international criminal law; and policing.

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Intellectual Property Law
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1217
This subject pathway gives detailed insight into the dynamic and growing area of intellectual property law by taking a distinctively contextual approach: delineating its histories, materialisations and practices, as well as analysing their conceptual foundations and dilemmas. You are introduced to critical, practical and socio-historical approaches to the framing and studying of intellectual property-related problems.

Course content
You choose from a range of modules in intellectual property law, which cover areas including copyright and breach of confidence, patents and trade marks, industrial practices, and contemporary topics. Other available modules cover areas such as: cultural heritage law; privacy and data protection; and world trade organization (WTO) law and practice.

International Commercial Law
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/127
This subject pathway equips you with the intellectual tools to practice international commercial law, or work for relevant government departments, regulators and international organisations in a policymaking or advisory capacity. It also provides an excellent foundation for further research.

You gain a thorough grounding in the technical legal instruments of international commercial law, and training in interdisciplinary frameworks for analysis of global business regulation. Emphasis is also placed upon the interaction of law with other disciplines, particularly economics and politics.

Course content
You choose from a range of modules in areas such as: corporate governance; international and comparative bankruptcy and insolvency law and policy; international business transactions; international commercial arbitration; international financial services regulation; international law on foreign investment; and World Trade Organization (WTO) law and practice. Other available modules cover areas such as: intellectual property law including copyright and breach of confidence, patents and trade marks, and industrial practices.

International Criminal Justice
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/129
This subject pathway develops a critical understanding of the operation of international and transnational criminal justice, particularly in contexts that are perceived to be controversial or in a state of evolution. You learn about the main legal instruments and institutions that provide for international co-operation and prosecution of international, transnational and national crime, and the impact of human rights.

You are encouraged to participate in the activities of our Centre for Critical International Law (CeCIL).

Course content
You choose from a range of modules covering areas such as: European Union criminal law and procedure; international criminal law; international human rights law; and transnational criminal law. You can also choose one module from those offered on the Criminology MA (see p84).

International Environmental Law
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/130
This subject pathway stimulates a critical awareness of international environmental law and policy, and has a particular focus on topics that are controversial or in a state of evolution.

You develop an understanding of the institutional structures, key principles of law and policy, and the contexts within which international law operates. You study the theoretical, social, political and scientific perspectives that underlie the substantive areas of law, as well as the practical situations in which international environmental law operates.

Course content
You choose from a range of modules covering areas such as: climate change and renewable energy law; European Union environmental law and policy; the legal foundations and substantive legal aspects of international environmental law.
International Law
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/133
This subject pathway is taught primarily by examining current international events and the theoretical bases of international law. It is particularly suited to those involved with, or who are hoping to work for, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, international law firms and foreign affairs departments. You are encouraged to participate in the activities of our Centre for Critical International Law (CeCIL).

Course content
You choose from a range of modules covering areas such as: critical international migration law; cultural heritage law; international criminal law; the legal foundations and substantive legal aspects of international environmental law; international human rights law; legal aspects of contemporary international problems; public international law; and transnational criminal law.

International Law with International Relations
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/131
This subject pathway covers the methods, scope and theories of international law, international humanitarian law and international relations. It provides a detailed understanding of the role of public international law in international affairs. Its interdisciplinary approach is suited to those involved with, or hoping to work for, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, foreign affairs departments and international law firms. You are encouraged to participate in the activities of our Centre for Critical International Law (CeCIL).

Course content
You also take two modules drawn from the School of Politics and International Relations.

Law and Health
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/132
This pathway offers an innovative exploration of issues at the heart of health law (including those raised by the COVID-19 pandemic). Informed by world-leading research, it will enable you to understand legal and ethical principles at play, to explore the political, social and institutional contexts that impact the regulation of health, and to analyse the complex interrelationships between health, law and regulation.

Consideration of law in its broader social, political and international contexts, and the impact of intersecting axes of discrimination, are at the heart of this pathway.

Course content
You are strongly encouraged to take modules on the regulation of healthcare and healthcare law and ethics. You can also choose from a range of modules covering areas such as privacy and data protection, health and inequality, global health issues and reproductive justice.

Individualised programme of legal studies
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/327
You can design your own programme of study by selecting law modules from those listed on these pages. On completion of an individualised programme of legal studies you obtain an LLM in Law.

It may also be possible to spend one term at our Canterbury campus, and one at our centre in Brussels (returning to your primary location to complete your dissertation). This is available for our International Law and Human Rights Law subject pathways, as well as the generic LLM subject pathways. Please note, this ‘split-site’ option is charged at a different rate.

Course content
You take six modules in areas offered on the LLM subject pathways in Kent Law School, see pp133-135

You also undertake a dissertation of 15,000 words.

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Brussels programmes

Brussels School of International Studies (BSIS) is a multidisciplinary postgraduate school of the University of Kent. Since 1998, the BSIS has been offering students a multidisciplinary education delivered by leading academics and skilled practitioners and, being based in Brussels, provides students with internship opportunities and exposure to major international organisations. In Brussels, you have the ability to take your degree as a standard 12-month, 90 ECTS version or as an extended version, which is 120 ECTS and consists of an extra three taught modules. You also have the opportunity to take a secondary minor subject pathway in another available area of law or politics and international relations. This is done through the optional modules chosen.

For further information about the Brussels School of International Studies, see p28.

Human Rights Law LLM

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/772

Location: Brussels
Start: September or January

You examine the theory and practice of human rights law, international criminal law, humanitarian law, transitional justice, migration law and other fields in the context of different policy areas and academic disciplines.

It is particularly suited to those who work in, or hope to work in, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, international law firms and foreign affairs departments.

Course content

You take a module in international human rights law and another that helps you to develop your research skills.

You choose up to three modules from those offered by Kent Law School in Brussels. These cover areas such as: critical international migration law; EU migration law; international criminal law; law and development; law of armed conflict; and transitional justice and rule of law programming.

You can also choose two optional modules from the full list of modules offered at Brussels.

You complete a dissertation of 15,20,000 words.

International Law LLM

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/139

Location: Brussels
Start: September or January

After decades of rule of law promotion, the need to ‘legally’ harm, detain, profit or pollute has transformed how policy moves are now performed and contested on the world stage. This has elevated the significance of international legal rules for a range of governmental, corporate and societal actors, who each compete to devise legal norms, characterisations and strategies to address global political and economic problems.

This LLM responds to increasing complexity in the international legal order, where law evolves through transformations such as global counterterrorism, global value chains, and foreign investment arbitration.

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Course content
You take a module focusing on legal aspects of contemporary international problems and another that helps you to develop your research skills.

You choose up to three modules from those offered by Kent Law School in Brussels. These cover areas such as: global security law; international diplomatic law; international law of the sea; the international law on foreign investment; international trade law; law and development; and Public international law

You can also choose two optional modules from the full list of modules offered at Brussels

You complete a dissertation of 15-20,000 words.

Research

Kent Law School is widely recognised as a world leader in critical and interdisciplinary scholarship including socio-legal studies, law and humanities, critical legal studies and feminist theory.

We place law in its wider social, political and historical contexts, and attend to a wide range of thematic and geographical areas.

We are renowned in particular, for our attention to the role of law in creating, challenging and perpetuating social and global inequalities.

We want our research to make meaningful contributions within, and beyond academia, locally, nationally and internationally. We collaborate with academics and non-academics across the globe and across disciplines; rigorously developing and sharing conceptual, empirical and normative insights to advance our understanding of the life of law.

Our success in achieving that aim is due not only to the excellence of our individual researchers, but also to our challenging and supportive research culture. That success is reflected in our securing of research funding, prizes and awards; in external assessments such as the Research Excellence Framework; and in our ability to attract outstanding international visitors and research students.

Our staff expertise cuts across numerous research approaches and areas, including:

- socio-legal studies
- feminist theory and jurisprudence
- legal theory and philosophy
- critical legal theory
- gender, sexuality and law
- de-colonial studies
- labour/employment law
- equality and anti-discrimination law
- sexual violence and the law
- human rights, equality and multiculturalism
- trade and development
- economic sociology of law
- criminal law and international criminal law
- intellectual property law
- law, science and technology
- health, medicine and law
- regulation of reproduction
- housing, social welfare and public law
- wellbeing and happiness
- cultural heritage law
- family law
- law and religion
- law and culture
- environmental law
- comparative, European and EU constitutional law
- equity and trusts
- commercial law
- consumer law and policy
- international law and public international law
- asylum and refugee law
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- air and space law
- visual communication of law
- legal history
- law and theology
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“A postgraduate qualification further develops your skills and helps to set you apart in the job market. I am planning to work as a lecturer or as a post-doctoral researcher and I think my studies at Kent, particularly the research skills I am developing, will help me to achieve that goal.”

Isaac Oppong, Mathematics PhD
Mathematics

Studying Mathematics at postgraduate level gives you a chance to begin your own research, develop your own creativity and be part of a long tradition of people investigating analytic, geometric and algebraic ideas. Under the guidance of internationally renowned researchers in the School of Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Science (SMSAS), postgraduate students develop analytical, communication and research skills.

We help students on research programmes to enhance their computational skills and apply them to current research problems in pure and applied mathematics.

We also have an excellent track record of winning research grants from the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC), the Royal Society, the EU, the London Mathematical Society and The Leverhulme Trust.

Key facts

- **Library resources** The University’s Templeman Library houses a comprehensive collection of books and research periodicals. Online access to a wide variety of journals is available through services such as ScienceDirect and SpringerLink.
- **Computer software** The School has licences for major numerical and computer algebra software packages.
- **London Taught Course Centre** The School is a member of the EPSRC-funded London Taught Course Centre for PhD students in the mathematical sciences, which means our PhD students can participate in the courses and workshops offered by the Centre.
- **Conference grants** The School offers conference grants to enable research students to present their work at national and international conferences.
- **Industrial placements** Combining your postgraduate taught degree with relevant employment experience in a full-time salaried placement gives you a real competitive advantage when starting your career. Placements usually last 12 months. You can put theory into practice, while making a valuable contribution to an organisation.
- **Graduate destinations** Our students have gone on to work in companies and institutions including: the Arcadia Group, Chaucer Insurance PLC, Heriot-Watt University, KPMG, Met Office, NHS, Omnicom Media Group, Rakuten, Towergate Insurance, Travelex, University of Alabama, University of Kent.

“I think that the relationship between research students and staff is good here. I also like the supervision arrangements, the learning environment and the fact that there is an office for PhD students”

Isaac Oppong, PhD Mathematics

National ratings

REF 2014, mathematical sciences:
- 100% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 25th for research power

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For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Mathematics and its Applications MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/146

Mathematics and its Applications with an Industrial Placement MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1219

Location: Canterbury
You further enhance your knowledge, creativity and computational skills in core mathematical subjects and their applications, giving you a competitive advantage in a wide range of mathematically based careers.

You study at least one modern application of mathematics in-depth. Mathematical computing and open-ended project work are integral parts of the learning experience.

If you do not meet the entry requirements because of an insufficient background in mathematics and you are an international student, you are encouraged to apply for the International Master’s in Mathematics and its Applications.

Course content
Modules cover areas such as groups and representations, quantum mechanics, discrete mathematics, linear and nonlinear waves and orthogonal polynomials. All students complete a dissertation. Module details are on our online course pages.

Research programme
For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/149

Mathematics MSc, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/149

The research interests of the Mathematics Group cover a wide range of topics following our strategy of cohesion with diversity. The areas outlined provide focal points for these varied interests.

Research areas
Nonlinear differential equations
The research on nonlinear differential equations primarily studies algorithms for their classification, normal forms, symmetry reductions, orthogonal polynomials and other exact solutions. Boundary value problems are studied from an analytical viewpoint, using functional analysis and spectral theory to investigate properties of solutions.

Painlevé equations
Current research on the Painlevé equations and their discrete analogues involves the structure of hierarchies of rational, algebraic and special function families of exact solutions, Bäcklund transformations and connection formulae using the isomonodromic deformation method.

Mathematical biology/ecology
Natural systems are dominated by nonlinear interactions which produce a rich variety of dynamical behaviours. Analysis of these systems provides insight into real world problems such as genetic and infectious diseases and conservation of wild populations. Moreover, these systems provide inspiration for the design of new computer algorithms.

Quantum integrable systems
Current research on quantum integrable systems focuses on powerful exact analytical and numerical techniques, with applications in particle physics, quantum information theory and mathematical physics.

Topological solitons
Topological solitons are stable, finite energy, particle-like solutions of nonlinear wave equations that arise due to the general topological properties of the nonlinear system concerned. This research focuses on classical and quantum behaviour of solitons with applications in various areas of physics.

Algebra and representation theory
A representation of a group is the concrete realisation of the group as a group of transformations. Representation theory played an important role in the proof of the classification of finite simple groups, one of the outstanding achievements of 20th-century algebra. Representations of both groups and algebras are important in diverse areas of mathematics, such as statistical mechanics, knot theory and combinatorics.

Algebraic topology
In topology, geometry is studied with algebraic tools. An example of an algebraic object assigned to a geometric phenomenon is the winding number: this is an integer assigned to a map of the n-dimensional sphere to itself. The methods used in algebraic topology link in with homotopy theory, homological algebra and modern category theory.

Invariant theory
The ring of invariants, the subring of fixed points, is the primary object of study. We use computational methods to construct generators for the ring of invariants, and theoretical methods to understand the relationship between the structure of the ring of invariants and the underlying representation.

Linear and nonlinear functional analysis
Research in this branch of mathematical analysis is concerned with linear and nonlinear operators on infinite dimensional normed spaces and the properties of such spaces. It has numerous applications in a variety of areas including mathematical physics, dynamical systems theory, geometric analysis and optimisation.

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Media Studies

Media Studies at Kent is a vibrant and supportive community of academics, practitioners and students, connected through our shared passion for all forms of media and communications.

We live in a world undergoing profound shifts in media and communications culture. A PhD in Media Studies enables you to develop an in-depth research project. We help you advance the discipline by empowering you to discover cutting-edge insights. Our staff encourage you to locate media forms within broader social and historical contexts. You will be part of a substantial community of PhD students within the School of Arts.

Key facts

• **Academic community** Media Studies is located with the School of Arts alongside Art History, Drama and Theatre, and Film.
• **First-class facilities** The School is based in the Jarman Building at our Canterbury campus. Jarman houses professional standard drama, film and media production studios, as well as teaching rooms, social spaces and a dedicated centre for postgraduate students.
• **Dedicated Media Hub** Located in Jarman, the Hub contains cameras as well as computers equipped with editing software to support research with practical designs and outputs.
• **Great location** The campus is a 30-minute walk from the cultural city of Canterbury. From which you are an hour from London by train and 40 minutes from the Eurotunnel, meaning you can enjoy both a green, welcoming campus and close proximity to metropolitan culture, archives and industry.

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3265

**Media Studies PhD**

**www.kent.ac.uk/pg/3265**

**Location:** Canterbury

Our international staff support a wide range of research covering social media, online and fan culture, media industries, promotional media (including marketing and PR), audiences and participatory culture, and issues of politics, identity, diversity and the media.

The Research Group for Film, Media and Culture will be your homebase for symposia and talks. You can test out your own ideas, share tips and get extra feedback in the School's staff-led PhD 'Work in Progress' research colloquium.

Research groups

**Film, Media and Culture Research Group**

The Group's main objective is to support and produce cutting-edge research in the areas of film, media and culture. A broad and welcoming church for the manifold approaches to our subject, we specialise in research that is collaborative, of high impact, international and interdisciplinary in scope.

**Histories: Art, Drama and Film Research Group**

This Group brings together staff and postgraduate students from across the School of Arts whose research involves a cultural historical approach to their field. Whether it is in theatre, film or art history, the Group promotes and enables cultural historical research by holding a regular research seminar and supporting student-led initiatives, such as organising conferences.

**Identities, Politics and the Arts Research Group**

This Group brings together arts researchers and colleagues in other disciplines who share interests in issues of identity, community, diversity and agency. We welcome researchers committed to understanding how political agendas are changed through artistic means and process, fully engaging, often via practice, with current debates and uncertainties inside and outside academia.

National ratings

REF 2014, Arts at Kent, as part of the Music, Drama and Performing Arts submission was ranked as follows:

• 1st for research power
• 98% of our research judged to be of international quality
• top 20 for research quality

Apply online

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Medieval and Early Modern Studies

The Centre for Medieval and Early Modern Studies (MEMS) is an interdisciplinary centre for the study of the Medieval and Early Modern periods. Our teaching staff are drawn from English, History, Architecture, Classical & Archaeological Studies, History of Art, and the Canterbury Archaeological Trust.

MEMS offers a successful, interdisciplinary MA programme as well as expert supervision for PhD students. Our thriving community of postgraduate students benefits from a rich and stimulating research culture where they work alongside academic staff and are strongly encouraged to get involved with the Centre’s numerous research activities.

We have close relationships with Canterbury Cathedral and the Archaeological Trust, which allow our students access to a wide range of unique historical, literary and material evidence.

Key facts

- **External resources** Canterbury Cathedral Archives and Library have unparalleled holdings of manuscripts and early printed books. We also have excellent links with Rochester Cathedral Archives and the Canterbury Archaeological Trust. Kent is also within easy reach of the British Library, The National Archives, and other London research libraries.

- **University resources** Kent’s Templeman Library has scholarly editions, monographs and journals. There are online computing facilities across campus and our students have special access to computer terminals and postgraduate student rooms.

- **Regular research seminars** The Centre holds weekly research seminars and public lectures each term, to which we welcome distinguished speakers. These events are at the heart of the Centre’s activities.

- **Conferences** We also run a full programme of conferences and colloquia and encourage our students to attend and organise research events.

- **Graduate destinations** A significant number of our MA students go on to pursue PhDs with us, as we have an excellent record of securing PhD funding opportunities. MEMS graduates are well placed to secure roles as archivists, curators and researchers. We offer guidance in ‘alt-careers’ to open up a range of engaging career possibilities.

“There is a wide variety of optional modules offered, so you can choose modules based on your own interests or choose something new that sounds fascinating and different – it can be a very hard decision!”

Jeanette Rumsby, MA Medieval and Early Modern Studies

National ratings

**English:**
- 10th for research intensity; 15th for research power

**History:**
- 8th for research intensity; top 20 for research power

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**Taught programme**

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

**Medieval and Early Modern Studies MA**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/151

**Locations:** Canterbury

This interdisciplinary programme provides the opportunity for intensive historical, literary and art-historical study. It provides a thorough grounding in the skills required for advanced study in the medieval and early modern periods. As well as a compulsory module in disciplinary methods and an exciting and varied range of optional modules, you produce a final dissertation of 12-15,000 words, for which you receive one-to-one supervision.

**Course content**

All students take compulsory modules in Europe’s *Lingua Franca*, and Palaeography and Codicology.

Students choose further modules from options in areas such as: early English performance; cultures of piety; gothic art and architecture; manuscripts, libraries and archives; material culture in the Early Modern world; reading Latins; the Medieval Town; and the transformation of Europe, c870-1100.

All students complete a dissertation.

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**Research programme**

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/152

**Medieval and Early Modern Studies MA, PhD**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/152

**Location:** Canterbury

We are interested in hearing from students with research proposals covering all aspects of medieval and early modern history, life and culture.

Medieval Latin, Palaeography and Language Express courses are offered to postgraduate research students throughout the academic year.

**Research areas**

The research interests of our staff cover areas as broad as religion, material culture, theatre and performance culture, gender, economy, food and drink, legal history, war, visual culture, politics, architecture, history of books and manuscripts, environment and travel, art history and literature.

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**Staff profile**

**Catherine Richardson**
Professor of Early Modern Studies

Catherine’s research focuses on the movement between living and writing, between experience and narrative. She is interested in the relationship between texts and the material circumstances of their production and consumption – for instance the way individuals described objects as they wrote them into probate inventories, or how theatre audiences ‘saw’ spaces in relation to the dialogue of a play, the physical nature of the theatre and their own memories and imaginations.

In April 2019, she began a three-year project, funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) ‘The Cultural Lives of the Middling Sort, writing and material culture 1560-1660’. The project aims to transform our sense of the way reading and writing fitted into the everyday cultural lives of the ‘middling sort’ (the neither very rich, nor the very poor) and to give us a clearer understanding of the history of those relationships between social mobility, creativity and the arts that continue to be of interest and importance today.

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The Medway School of Pharmacy is a unique collaboration between the University of Greenwich and the University of Kent and is located at the heart of a multi-university campus development at Chatham Maritime in Medway, Kent. Investment in extensive new laboratories and research facilities has seen the campus develop into a major higher education centre.

The Medway School of Pharmacy has been developing its postgraduate taught provision since 2004 and is pleased to be able to incorporate this into a Centre for Postgraduate, Workplace and Community Learning. This centre delivers the current portfolio of postgraduate taught programmes and is introducing work-based qualifications and community-centred learning courses. The postgraduate taught team is a mix of academic tutors and healthcare professionals active in clinical practice, enabling students to learn from practising professionals as well as from the School’s excellent academic staff.

Key facts

- **Excellent facilities** Postgraduate students have access to all the facilities at the Medway School of Pharmacy, including clinical skills labs and two ‘simulation men’.
- **Unique partnership** The School of Pharmacy is a joint venture between the universities of Kent and Greenwich so students have access to facilities at Kent’s Medway and Canterbury campuses, and the University of Greenwich campuses.
- **Research areas** These include chemistry and drug delivery; biological sciences; and pharmacy practice.
- **Graduate destinations** Our taught programmes are specifically designed for healthcare professionals in active clinical roles who are looking to further develop their scope and practice. Our doctoral graduates move on to work in university academic departments, research institutes and leading pharmaceutical and biotechnological companies.
- **Research areas** These include chemistry and drug delivery; biological sciences; and pharmacy practice.

**Applied programmes**

For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

**Associate Postgraduate Student Programme**

[www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1204](http://www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1204)

*Location:* Medway

*Entry requirements:* Honours degree in a relevant subject or taught Master’s degree; relevant healthcare professional qualification; registered to work in the UK as a pharmacist, nurse or allied health professional (AHP).

**Course content**

*Options include:*  
- Advanced Patient Monitoring in Practice; Asthma; Bipolar Affective Disorder; Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease; Clinical and Consultation, Assessment and Diagnosis; Consultation and Communication; Dementia; Depression; Diabetes: type 1 and 2; Heart Failure; Hypertension; Ischaemic Heart Disease; Medicines Management in Practice; Medication Review in Practice; Minor Ailments: Infections and Infestations; Minor Ailments: Pain; Numeracy for Prescribing Practice; Patient Monitoring in Practice; Pharmacology for Prescribing Practice; Skills for Dermatology; Skills for Medicines Use Review (MURs); Using Evidence Effectively.

**National ratings**

*REF 2014, Pharmacy:*  
- 93% of our research judged to be of international quality; 81% of this being world-leading or internationally excellent.
- 8th for research intensity

**Apply online**  
[www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply)
General Pharmacy Practice
PCert, PDip
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/737

Location: Medway
Entry requirements: Registration with the General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC).

This programme provides general-level hospital pharmacists – registered with the GPhC and working – with the core skills required to provide holistic pharmaceutical care in the practice setting. The programme aligns with a nationally agreed pharmacy practitioner development strategy and is the result of a unique collaboration of higher education institutions across London and the south and east of England.

The programme develops your knowledge and skills in clinical pharmacy practice and medicines management. It works on a philosophy of student-centred workplace learning, supported by workbooks and contact days facilitated by experienced pharmacy practitioners. You are expected to take responsibility for managing your learning and achieving the programme objectives. The ethos and culture of the programme is to enhance and develop self-reliance and an adult approach to learning in support of continuing professional development.

The programme is further supported by student-learning sets, downloadable interactive computer-assisted learning and a range of resources, including the library facilities at Medway and your practice base, and the internet.

Completing the practice elements of the programme leads to both an academic award and the award of a Statement of Completion of General Pharmacist Training (SCGPT) from an accredited training centre.

Course content
PCert
• Practitioner Development and Establishment of Professional Clinical Practice

PDip
• Developing Self, Others and Your Operational Management Skills
• Ensuring Patient Safety and a Quality Service

General Pharmacy Practice MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/737

Location: Medway
Entry requirements: Successful completion of the PCert and PDip General Pharmacy Practice.

This MSc develops your research skills and helps you to make the transition to a specialist role. It helps you to demonstrate a number of competencies for research and evaluation within the Royal Pharmaceutical Society Advanced Pharmacy Framework.

Course content
There is only one compulsory module as the MSc is based around a research project. This project involves:
• preparation and planning of research
• research design and design selection
• managing the research process
• ethics and research governance
• statistics for research
• sampling and recruiting applicants
• designing and using data collection instruments
• analysing quantitative and qualitative data.

Independent/Supplementary Prescribing PCert
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/740

Location: Medway
Entry requirements: Registration with the appropriate professional/regulatory body (GPhC or PSNI for pharmacists, HCPC for allied health professionals).

A first degree or evidence of having studied at level H (for those wishing to undertake a Master's-level qualification); at least two years’ post-registration clinical experience (pharmacists); at least three years’ post-registration clinical experience (AHPs).

This programme, approved by the appropriate professional/regulatory bodies, provides a distance learning option for qualification as a non-medical prescriber. Nine contact days cover communication and diagnostic skills, the legal, policy, professional and ethical aspects of prescribing, plus pharmacology and patient assessment and monitoring.

You can take the programme as a stand-alone PCert in Independent/Supplementary Prescribing, or as one pathway into the Medicines Optimisation programme (see below), by studying prescribing as either the first or second year of the Medicines Optimisation PDip.

On successful completion, the School will notify the appropriate professional/regulatory body that you have qualified as an independent/supplementary prescriber.

Course content
• Consultation and Decision-Making
• Non-Medical Prescribing in Context
• Safe and Effective Prescribing

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Independent/Supplementary Prescribing (Clinically Enhanced) PCert
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2718

**Location:** Medway

**Entry requirements:** Registration with the GPhC. A first degree or evidence of having studied at Level H, at least two years’ post-registration clinical experience, appropriate experience in prescribing scope of practice.

This programme has been developed by adapting our regular and well-established prescribing programme and adding a specially designed clinical health and assessment diagnostics module. This is a part-time, blended-learning programme which enables hospital, mental health and community trust pharmacists to qualify as independent prescribers. You develop the knowledge and skills to practise as prescribers with an additional emphasis on clinical skills. Upon successful completion, you will meet the RPS Competency Framework for All Prescribers.

**Course content**
- Independent Prescribing in Practice
- Clinical Health Assessment and Diagnostics

Medicines Optimisation PCert, PDip, MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/738

**Location:** Medway

**Entry requirements:** A first degree in a relevant subject from an EU university; equivalent qualifications from a non-EU university may be acceptable, but their comparability will be assessed on an individual basis; or at least five years of working experience in health care after obtaining a relevant professional qualification. Students must also be registered with the relevant UK professional body and practising in the UK, preferably within the National Health Service.

The Medway School of Pharmacy’s innovative postgraduate distance-learning programme in Medicines Optimisation equips healthcare professionals with the skills and knowledge to contribute effectively to medicines management services and to individual drug therapy decisions.

The programme emphasises clinical and cost-effective prescribing in the context of holistic consideration of patient needs, and one of its pathways offers you the chance to qualify as an independent/supplementary prescriber.

You can register for the full MSc programme or undertake stand-alone modules. Modules can be put together to form a short course programme. Module length varies from five to 20 credits.

For the PCert, you must complete 60 credits, of which at least 20 must be from compulsory modules. Diploma students must complete 120 credits, of which at least 40 credits must be from compulsory modules. To gain the MSc, you must complete a 60-credit research project, write a dissertation and present the results as a poster.

**Course content**

- Certificate compulsory modules
  - Consultation and Communication in Practice: Patients as Partners
  - Medicines Management in Practice

- Diploma compulsory modules
  - Medication Review in Practice
  - Using Evidence Effectively

**Options include:**
- Advanced Patient Monitoring in Practice; Asthma; Bipolar Affective Disorder; Clinical Consultation, Assessment and Diagnosis; COPD; Dementia; Depression; Heart Failure; Hypertension; Infections and Infestations; Ischaemic Heart Disease; Numeracy for Prescribing Practice; Pain; Patient Monitoring in Practice; Pharmacology for Prescribing Practice; Skills for Dermatology; Skills for MURs*; Type 1 Diabetes; Type 2 Diabetes

*Pharmacists only
Research programme

For the most up-to-date information see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/171

Pharmacy PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/171

Entry requirements: Minimum 2.1 honours degree in an appropriate subject, or at least a Merit in a taught Master’s. Potential applicants with non-standard qualifications but significant experience should contact the School’s Director of Graduate Studies.

The Medway School of Pharmacy has strong and vibrant research groups that span a range of pharmacy-related areas. Staff have a wealth of research experience and links with industry, health providers and academic institutions.

The programme gives postgraduate students the integrated, broad-based research training needed to exploit current advances in pharmaceutical and biological sciences and pharmacy practice.

Research areas

Chemistry and drug delivery
The group’s laboratories are equipped with dedicated state-of-the-art drug delivery, nanotechnology, spectroscopy, chromatography and organic synthesis facilities.

The group brings together researchers in medicinal chemistry and drug design, materials science and nanotechnology/medicine, and drug delivery and pharmaceutics, encouraging a multidisciplinary approach to research. Examples of current work include: nanoparticle-based treatments for melanoma, soft materials for biomedical applications, improving dosage forms for use in low-income societies, oral delivery of biopharmaceuticals, development of point-of-care diagnostics, and synthesis/evaluation of anti-cancer agents.

Biological sciences
This group is housed in recently refurbished laboratories with dedicated state-of-the-art Molecular and Cellular Biology, Electrophysiology, tissue culture and microscopy facilities. The research is divided into three main themes: infectious diseases and cancer; Neuroscience and neuropharmacology; renal and cardiovascular physiology. Examples of current work include: investigation of the use of non-pathogenic virus ‘pseudotypes’ to study pathogenic RNA; development of novel strategies for cancer diagnosis and immunotherapy; study of the properties of neuronal potassium channels and their modulation and the development of new therapies for patients who have developed acute kidney injury, in collaboration with major pharmaceutical companies.

Clinical and Professional Practice
The group conducts applied research in pharmacy and public health with emphasis on the patient’s perspective utilising a wide range of health services research methodologies. Examples of current work include: evaluating the feasibility of screening services to detect atrial fibrillation in general practice, the development of screening tools to measure medicine burden, and exploring medicine burden and medicine support needs in vulnerable groups including stroke survivors, people with epilepsy and people living with HIV. Other specialist areas of interest include the impact of physical activity on health and well being, and the use of complementary therapies.

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Philosophy at Kent is an engaged research community which explores a diverse range of topics. Our programmes allow students to study and research in four key areas of philosophical enquiry: knowledge and reality; norms and values; reason; and analytic and continental philosophy.

On our popular MA programme, modules consist of seminar discussion while specific questions and themes pursued within the modules reflect the research interests of members of staff.

The Department of Philosophy is part of the Division of Arts and Humanities, which provides a thriving academic environment with a strong tradition of interdisciplinary research. This means that students can draw on the excellent resources of a diverse team of teachers with expertise in many key areas of European culture.

Key facts

- **Stimulating environment** Our Department is a place of academic excellence, friendly exchange, intellectual excitement and diversity. In our weekly departmental research seminar, colleagues and philosophers from other universities present their current work, and in our thriving student-run graduate seminar, students discuss their ideas with peers and members of staff.

- **Research centres** We host a Centre for Reasoning and Centre for Practical Normativity and contribute to the Aesthetics Research Centre.

- **Conferences and talks** Research students gain further academic experience by giving research talks, and attending national and international conferences.

- **Postgraduate resources** The School provides extensive facilities to support research, excellent IT facilities and designated areas for postgraduate studies. Kent’s Templeman Library has excellent holdings in all of our areas of research interest.

- **Collaborative working** Active collaboration between departments within the School ensures that we have a vigorous and lively research culture, including conferences organised around the research interests of our staff.

- **Ideal location for research** The University of Kent's location is the best in Britain for students who need to visit not only the British Library in London, but also the major libraries and research centres on the continent.

- **Graduate destinations** Recent graduates have gone on to undertake further academic research, and have also pursued careers in fields including accounting, administration, teaching, market research, data analysis, and writing.

"This is a really good MA course covering some of the most important areas of philosophy. It is delivered by supportive staff in a really agreeable and collegial atmosphere.”

Des Crampton, MA Philosophy

National ratings

REF 2014, Philosophy:

- 97% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 12th for research impact
- top 20 for research power and research intensity

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2

Philosophy MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2

Location: Canterbury

Our MA in Philosophy is designed for those who wish to broaden their study of philosophy and make a gradual transition to research. It is ideally suited to students with previous philosophical training who would like to gain more training in philosophical methodology, and/or narrow down their interests of specialisation in preparation for an MPhil/PhD.

Course content
You engage with a wide range of topics taught through modules covering areas such as analytic and continental philosophy; knowledge and reality; norms and values; and reason. You also complete a dissertation.

There are regular Philosophy postgraduate seminars, workshops and open lectures on a wide range of topics. Please see: www.kent.ac.uk/secl/philosophy for details.

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/195

Philosophy PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/195

Location: Canterbury

The list below indicates the range of current research interests of members of staff. We can supervise PhD students in any of these areas, as well as in other main fields of philosophy. We encourage you to contact us to discuss your plans at an early stage of your application.

Research areas

The main research interests of staff are in moral and political philosophy; philosophy of medicine; causality and probability; philosophy of mathematics; epistemology; modern European philosophy; moral psychology and metaphysics.

Staff profile

Jon Williamson
Professor of Reasoning, Inference and Scientific Method

Professor Jon Williamson works in the area of philosophy of science and medicine. He is co-director of the Centre for Reasoning and is a member of the Theoretical Reasoning research cluster.

He works on the philosophy of causality, the foundations of probability, formal epistemology, inductive logic, and the use of causality, probability and inference methods in science and medicine.

His books Bayesian Nets and Causality and In Defence of Objective Bayesianism develop the view that causality and probability are features of the way we reason about the world, not a part of the world itself. His books Probabilistic Logics and Probabilistic Networks and Lectures on Inductive Logic apply recent developments in Bayesianism to motivate a new approach to inductive logic.

Jon's latest book, Evaluating Evidence of Mechanisms in Medicine, seeks to broaden the range of evidence considered by evidence-based medicine.
Physics, Astrophysics and Space Science

Physics reaches from the smallest quark out to the largest of galaxies, and encompasses all the matter and timescales within these extremes. It is a fundamental science that helps us to understand the world around us, from our everyday experience to the fascinating extreme behaviours found in the very small (the quantum world) and the very large (space).

Our programmes offer specialised training in optics, forensic imaging, theoretical and experimental quantum physics, materials research, astrophysics or space science, as well as a range of valuable transferable skills, such as problem solving, and analytical and computational skills.

Our Physics and Astronomy team, within the interdisciplinary School of Physical Sciences, is involved in a range of studies including, machine learning and Optical Coherence Tomography, next generation materials for energy generation and storage, properties of new quantum materials, high-mass star formation and the structure of the Milky Way, planetary science and hypervelocity impacts.

Key facts

- **First-class resources** These include: a two-stage light gas gun and our Beacon Observatory, which is ideal for astronomical data research.
  
  Biomedical optics and forensic imaging students benefit from optoelectronic instrumentation including optical spectrum analysers, several optical coherence tomographs, lasers and a clean room.
  
  Additional equipment includes: powder and single crystal X-ray diffractometers; X-ray fluorescence; SQUID magnetometer; ultra-low temperature materials characterisation facilities; several furnaces for high-temperature synthesis; scanning electron microscope with EDX and Raman spectrometer.

- **Our partnerships** The School is a leading partner in the South East Physics Network (SEPnet) and benefits from £2.5 million funding from the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE).

- **Collaborative research** Our researchers have strong international reputations and a large number of active, international collaborations with universities around the world, including Germany, France, Italy, China, Japan and the USA, several universities in the UK, including Cambridge and Bristol, and other research institutions such as the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory and St Bartholomew’s Hospital, London.

- **Industrial partners** These include BAE Systems, New York Eye and Ear Infirmary, and Ophthalmic Technology Inc, Canada. We also have collaborations with NASA, European Southern Observatory (ESO) and European Space Agency (ESA) scientists.

- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates can go on to work in a range of areas including: space, defence and nuclear industries; technical management, computing and software design, the media, teaching and research.

“I enjoy developing my research skills and analysis techniques and I also like being part of the wider research community, attending workshops and conferences. It’s a great feeling to know that you’re working on something that no one else has done before.”

**Justyn Campbell-White, PhD Physics**

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**National ratings**

REF 2014, Physics:
- 100% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 7th for research impact

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Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/212

Physics MSc, PhD

Location: Canterbury

Funded PhD positions are advertised regularly on our website. (www.kent.ac.uk/physical-sciences). Independently funded applications for MSc or PhD are also welcomed. When you apply, please give specific indications of your research interests or the member(s) of staff you wish to work with, and we will match you up with a supervisor. No detailed proposal is required.

Research groups

Our research groups cover topics within physics, astronomy, forensic imaging and materials. Between them, they cover a broad portfolio that reflects the interdisciplinary nature of the school.

Applied Optics Group (AOG)

The Group's research focuses on optical sources, optical configurations and signal processing methods for optical measurements and imaging as detailed below.

Biomedical imaging/Optical coherence tomography (OCT)

The first en-face OCT image of the human eye was produced by the AOG in 1996. Since then, the Group has continued to develop OCT, to enhance its high resolution and extend its capabilities.

The Group works with national and international institutions to extend OCT capabilities, from eye imaging and endoscopy to non-destructive testing for conservation of paintings. Translating the technology from the lab to the clinic and industry is an important part of their work.

Adaptive optics and microscopy

The Group conducts research on coherence-gated wavefront sensors for imaging with reduced aberrations, assisting eye imaging with adaptive optics for enhanced transversal resolution and novel microscopy, including two-photon absorption.

Lasers

Research is conducted on supercontinuum sources as well as fast tunable lasers, to serve high-performance OCT.

Signal processing

The Group works on processing interferometric signals with correlation methods for master-slab interferometry, invented by the AOG, as well as using fast Fourier transformations on graphic cards.

Optical sensors

This covers research into the fundamental properties of guided wave interferometers, and their application in fields ranging from monitoring bridge structures to diagnostic procedures in medicine.

Centre for Astrophysics and Planetary Science (CAPS)

The Group's research focusses on the formation of stars and planetary systems, including our own, and how they evolve and support the existence of life and spans observation, experimentation, simulation and modelling. The major topics are star formation, planetary science and early solar system bodies, galactic astronomy and astrobiology. The Group uses data from our in-house Beacon Observatory as well as the largest telescopes in the world and in space, such as ESO’s Very Large Telescope, the New Technology Telescope, the Spitzer Space Telescope and the Herschel Space Observatory.

In addition, our in-house facilities include a two-stage light gas gun for impact studies. Staff are involved in a wide range of international collaborative research projects. Areas of particular interest include: star formation, extragalactic astronomy and solar system science.

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Physics of Quantum Materials (PQM)

Our world-class expertise includes field theory, phenomenology, computer simulation, and measurements using both large-scale external and in-house facilities including our unique double-stage adiabatic demagnetisation refrigerator that can cool samples to 15 mK under 50 GPa of hydrostatic pressure. Interests include superconductors, topological materials, quantum phase transitions, relativistic quantum effects, low-dimensional and strongly correlated electron systems, and novel forms of quantum coherence.

Materials for Energy and Electronics (MEE)

The Group has a broad range of expertise in developing materials to enable the novel technologies required by modern society in a sustainable fashion. This includes creation of new materials, physical property investigation and developing the understanding of their atomic, magnetic and electronic structures, crucial to optimising their properties.

He contributed towards development of the en-face OCT imaging as a novel technology and is involved in teaching of non-invasive optical imaging methods with emphasis on OCT, electromagnetism and optics and medical physics.

Forensic Imaging Group (FIG)

The Group’s research has an applied focus. We explore mathematical and computational techniques and employ a wide variety of image processing and analysis methods for applications in many areas including forensics and cybersecurity. The Group holds major grant funding from EPSRC. It has spawned a very successful spin-off company, Visionmetric Ltd, and was central to the School’s excellent REF rating for impact, placing the School equal 7th nationally in this category.

Current active research projects include facial identification, substance identification, design of novel fingerprint developers and detection of concealed objects.

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Politics and International Relations

The School of Politics and International Relations is a dynamic place to study, combining high-quality teaching with cutting-edge research in a supportive environment. All postgraduate teaching is informed by the latest research and is delivered by academic staff with internationally recognised expertise.

The School has academic staff based at two locations, in Canterbury and Brussels. The School is cosmopolitan with staff from many different countries; more than half of our postgraduate students come from outside the UK.

Our global outlook is reflected in our wide range of international partnerships. We are the only politics and international relations school in the country with a postgraduate centre in Brussels, which allows students on some of our programmes to follow part, or all, of their programme in Brussels. Agreements with partner institutions in Germany and Russia enable us to offer a Double Award version of the MA in International Relations and a joint MA programme in Peace and Conflict Studies.

Key facts

- **University resources** You have access to an excellent library, including a collection of political cartoons, extensive computing facilities and online resources including 50,000 journals.
- **European Documentation Centre** Based in the School, the Centre houses all official publications of the EU and the School also has a specialised collection on international conflict and federal studies.
- Our postgraduate research students have their own designated study area.
- **Flexible programmes** This allows you to fit your studies around other commitments. All of our one-year MA programmes at Canterbury can be studied as a Postgraduate Diploma (PDip), which comprises six modules taught over nine months.
- **Part-time study** You can study your MA over two years.
- **Two-year MAs** We also offer two-year 120 ECTS versions of our MAs, which comprise nine taught modules and a dissertation.
- **Split-site study** On some programmes you can spend a term abroad or split your time between Canterbury and Brussels.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates move on to work in areas including: the diplomatic service, EU administration, local and central government, international organisations including charities and private companies, teaching and research. Some go into practical politics.
- **Brussels School of International Studies (BSIS)** is a multidisciplinary postgraduate school of the University of Kent. Since 1998, the BSIS has been offering students a multidisciplinary education delivered by leading academics and skilled practitioners. Based in Brussels, it is able to provide you with internship opportunities and exposure to major international organisations. In Brussels, you also have the opportunity to combine your degree subject with any of the other MA or LLM degrees offered in Brussels. This is done through the optional modules chosen. For further information on BSIS, see p28.

“With my degree from BSIS, I was able to go directly into the immigration policy world and work as a research associate for the Pew Charitable Trusts in Washington, DC. The research and analytical skills I learned, in addition to the contacts I made, have been crucial to my success.”

Karina Shklyan, MA International Migration (BSIS)

National ratings

REF 2014, politics and international studies:
- 96% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 15th for research power
- top 20 for research impact

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

EU External Relations MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/767
Location: Brussels
Start: September or January

The European Union (EU) is a key global actor and, as the largest economy, is the first trading partner for many countries. But, by developing its own foreign and defence policy, it also seeks to become a key diplomatic player.

On this programme, you study the EU in its different dimensions, such as foreign policy, security and external relations law, but also from an outsider’s perspective in a context of global change and regional instability.

This programme is good preparation for careers in diplomacy, research and employment in organisations that deal with the external dimension of the EU.

Course content
You take modules on European foreign and security policy and EU international relations law. You choose further modules from a range covering areas such as advocacy and campaigning, EU politics and governance, foreign policy, international relations theory and Europe and global change. You then select three modules from those offered in Brussels.

All students complete a dissertation.

International Conflict Analysis MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/44
Locations: Canterbury or Canterbury and Brussels
Start: September or January

You examine the major theories of conflict and conflict resolution in international affairs, supplementing theory with detailed case studies. Topics include negotiation, mediation, conference diplomacy, third party intervention, restorative justice, peacekeeping, peacemaking, and coercive diplomacy.

Course content
You take modules that cover areas such as conflict resolution in world politics, theories of conflict and violence and philosophy and methodology of politics and international relations.

You then take three optional modules from those available within the School.

You also complete a dissertation.

You can choose a two-year 120 ECTS credit format for this programme, either based at Canterbury or split-site with Brussels.

International Conflict and Security MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/54
Location: Brussels
Start: September or January

Specific training for working in the field of conflict analysis includes preparing reports on specific conflicts or security issues, drafting recommendations for policymakers, or mediating between parties. The programme is constantly updated to introduce fresh insights and innovative policy strategies.

Course content
You take modules that cover areas such as conflict and security and the theories of conflict and violence. You also take a module that develops your research skills.

You select a further module from a range that covers areas including: conflict, transformation and peace; critical approaches to security; global security law; law of armed conflict; negotiation and mediation; and policies and politics of health and health care in humanitarian disasters.

You then choose three optional modules from those offered at Brussels.

You also complete a dissertation.

International Development MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/55
Location: Brussels
Start: September or January

This programme improves your critical understanding of contemporary issues in development and provides practical tools for future engagement. It considers theoretical, practical and ethical issues by interrogating development discourses, objectives and effects, and by seeking to understand forms of inclusion/exclusion and intervention in societies.
Issues covered include economic development, poverty eradication, legal empowerment, public-private partnerships, social entrepreneurship, trade and privatisation, informal economies and finance, and technological initiatives. It also provides you with an interdisciplinary approach to development and to allow you to specialise in your field of interest, such as development economics, development and migration, development and conflict, or human rights.

This programme is suitable for those seeking to understand the field of international development as well as for practitioners who have substantive experience. It provides conceptual tools and practical skills for a variety of careers in international affairs.

Course content
You take modules that cover areas such as development theory and practice and the politics of international development. You also take a module that develops your research skills.

You select a further module from a range that covers areas including: conflict, transformation and peace; development, disability and disadvantage; development economics; gender in conflicts, migration and development; law and development; policies and politics of health and health care in humanitarian disasters; and state, market and society.

You then choose three optional modules from those offered at Brussels.

You also complete a dissertation.

International Migration MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/56
Location: Brussels
Start: September or January

The programme offers an interdisciplinary perspective on migration and is suitable for recent graduates or those with relevant experience. You gain an in-depth understanding of the broader field of migration while being able to specialise in a particular migration issue (e.g., human trafficking). You examine the links between migration and other fields ranging from development economics and conflict analysis to human rights law or international migration law.

Course content
You take modules that cover areas such as: migration: conflict, the state and human rights and theories of migration, integration and citizenship. You also take a module that develops your research skills.

You select a further module from a range that covers areas including: critical international migration law; development, disability and disadvantage; EU migration law; gender in conflicts, migration and development; human security in forced migration; identity, state and belonging; politics of health and health care in humanitarian disasters; and security and liberties.

You then choose three optional modules from those offered at Brussels.

You also complete a dissertation.

International Political Economy MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/58
Location: Brussels
Start: September or January

This programme offers a combined competency in economics and politics, enriched with the study of law. It allows for a specialisation in a subfield such as development, environmental policy, migration, conflict and security, political strategy or European public policy. The exposure you are given to policy practice at the international institutions based in Brussels, together with high-quality education, prepares you for a career in international and domestic public policy, diplomacy, non-governmental organisations, as well as in the private sector.

Course content
You take modules that cover areas such as: international political economy and state, market and security. You also take a module that develops your research skills.

You select a further module from a range that covers areas including: critical international migration law; development, disability and disadvantage; EU migration law; gender in conflicts, migration and development; human security in forced migration; identity, state and belonging; politics of health and health care in humanitarian disasters; and security and liberties.

You then choose three optional modules from those offered at Brussels.

You also complete a dissertation.
“The teaching has been excellent! Throughout all my modules, the lecturers have been very supportive and available to answer questions about assessments or specific module topics. They have also tried to make lectures and seminars as interactive as possible, which has enhanced my learning.”

Valeria Minisini, MA International Relations with International Law
You select a further module from a range that covers areas including: corporate governance; international economic regulation; international economics; and the politics of international development.

You then choose three optional modules from those offered at Brussels.

You also complete a dissertation.

**International Relations MA**

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/45

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/57

**Locations:** Canterbury or Brussels (MA only)

**Start:** September or January

There is an increasing need for more sophisticated ways of understanding the dramatic changes taking place. This programme addresses that need. It is a flexible MA that allows you maximum scope to construct a degree that suits your interests.

**Course content**

You take modules that cover international relations theory and the philosophy and methodology of politics and international relations.

You then select four optional modules from those available within the School. You also complete your dissertation.

You can choose a two-year 120 ECTS credit format for this programme, either based at Canterbury or split-site with Brussels.

**International Relations MA (International Double Award)**

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/46

**Locations:** Canterbury and Moscow

Following your first year at Kent, you spend your second year at the prestigious National Research University Higher School of Economics in Moscow. Courses in Moscow are taught in English with the option to take Russian language courses. There is a mandatory research internship that is linked to the dissertation.

**Course content**

For Stage 1, content is as for International Relations (see left).

**International Relations with International Law MA**

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/47

**Location:** Canterbury

**Start:** September or January

International law and international relations need to be informed by each other. This programme covers the general methods, scope and theories of each discipline. You develop a critical consideration of traditional approaches to the discipline of international relations and consider the role, potential and limitations of public international law in international affairs.

**Course content**

You take modules that cover international relations theory, the philosophy and methodology of politics and international relations and public international law.

You then select three optional modules chosen from the School of Politics and International Relations and Kent Law School, making a total of four politics and international relations modules and two law modules.

You complete your dissertation.

**Peace and Conflict Studies MA**

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/49

**Locations:** Canterbury and Marburg

This is an exciting international and interdisciplinary two-year programme focusing on violent conflict as well as its prevention and management. You spend your first year in Canterbury and the second year in Marburg where courses are taught in English. The programme features a mandatory internship that is linked to the dissertation.

**Course content**

**Canterbury**

You take modules in areas such as conflict resolution in world politics, theories of conflict and violence, and the philosophy and methodology of politics and international relations.

You then select three optional modules from those available within the School.

You complete your dissertation.

**Further information**

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**Brussels**

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www.kent.ac.uk/brussels

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Political Strategy and Communication MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/59

Location: Brussels
Start: September or January

This programme engages you in the practical issues of political delivery. The areas of political communication, political leadership, strategy, crisis management, political branding, and public relations are the leading vocational aspects of a developed academic understanding of politics and international relations. It is an area of growing importance that distinguishes our graduates as policy-relevant, engaged thinkers in the political arena.

Course content
You take modules in political communication and political strategy. You choose a further module from a range that covers areas such as: critical approaches to security; foreign policy analysis; international diplomatic law; and negotiation and mediation.

You then choose three optional modules from those offered at Brussels.

You also complete a dissertation.

Security and Terrorism MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/52

Location: Canterbury
Start: September or January

This programme is designed to explore terrorism and political violence as perpetrated by both state and non-state actors. You analyse the implications of international terrorism for the security of individuals, societies, states and the international system, along with the measures taken by states to deter political violence.

Teaching is by world-leading specialists in traditional and critical approaches to the study of terrorism and its implications. The programme equips you with a range of research-based and more practical skills, and offers a springboard for careers in government, international organisations, journalism, the security sector and advocacy groups. It also gives you the resources to go on to further study in the field.

Course content
You take modules that cover areas such as: the philosophy and methodology of politics and international relations, security in a changing world and terrorism and crimes of the state.

You select three optional modules from those available within the School.

Research programmes
For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Comparative Politics MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/60
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/336

International Conflict Analysis MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/62
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/338

International Relations MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/63
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/339

Political and Social Thought MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/61
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/337

Location: Canterbury (MA-R, PhD) or Brussels (PhD)
Start: September or January

Research areas
Our research interests are wide-ranging, with particular strengths in conflict analysis and resolution, political theory and European politics. Our three University-accredited research centres function as the key organisational pillars for research activities within the school.

We are part of the South East ESRC Doctoral Training Centre, making us one of the key training locations in our subject in the UK. Further details can be found at: http://southeastdtc.ac.uk
We encourage potential research students to refer to our research handbook (pdf) for detailed information, www.kent.ac.uk/politics/studying/postgraduate/documents/pgrhandbook.pdf

Conflict Analysis Research Centre (CARC)
Kent has been at the forefront of conflict negotiation and resolution for almost 50 years. The Centre brings together academics working on different aspects of conflict and security as well as PhD and Master’s students. Current research includes an investigation into how migrant communities can support peace building in their home society. The Centre is also at the forefront of trying to resolve actual conflicts – for example, it played a role in the Moldova-Transnistria peace process and has supported reconciliation efforts in Africa.

Global Europe Centre (GEC)
This centre focuses on the study of Europe and its relations with the outside world. Its research focus is on contemporary policy challenges to Europe and its nation states, and engagement with policymakers and policy-shapers is at the core of its activities. The Centre disseminates policy-relevant research via publications, research-led knowledge transfer workshops, conferences and public lectures. The Centre is committed to the creation of the next generation of ideas innovators and policymakers, demonstrated by its learning, teaching and knowledge exchange activities and via the Global Europe Student Forum. The Centre is interdisciplinary and aims to develop synergies across the schools of Politics and International Relations, Economics, History, European Languages and Culture, and Kent Business and Law schools.

Centre for Critical Thought (CCT)
This centre is a multidisciplinary initiative across the Social Sciences and Humanities faculties, co-ordinated by staff in Politics and International Relations, Law and the School of European Culture and Languages’ Italian Department. Staff and students interested in cutting-edge critical thought meet to discuss their work and to explore the insights of interdisciplinary collaboration. In addition, it serves as a forum for lectures, including the Annual Kent Lecture in Political and Social Thought, seminars and an annual workshop.

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Staff profile
Elena Korosteleva
Professor of International Politics
Professor Korosteleva’s research interests include the concepts of governance/governmentality, resilience, changing order, peoplehood and democracy promotion; EU Global Security Strategy and Foreign Policies including relations with Russia, Eastern Europe and Central Asia.

She is a Jean Monnet Chair in European Politics, which she received twice in recognition of her research and teaching excellence.

In 2017 Professor Korosteleva was awarded a £4 million grant (2017-21) for the prestigious GCRF COMPASS project which, in partnership with the University of Cambridge, seeks to establish ‘hubs of excellence’ in terms of research integration, policy impact and sustainable communities, at top-level higher education institutions in Belarus, Azerbaijan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan.
Professional Practice/ Digital and Lifelong Learning

Professional Practice as part of Digital and Lifelong Learning offers part-time, multi-professional, work-related postgraduate studies. Our programmes and short courses have been specifically designed to meet the needs of working professionals wishing to develop their academic ability while maintaining their professional role.

We believe that employers can benefit from the University of Kent’s academic and research excellence, quality teaching, design and development activities to create positive change and to forge new knowledge within their organisations.

We work with external partners and employers to create distinct and original work-based and work-related developmental and educational solutions, which respond to the unique workforce challenges experienced by employees and organisations across the region and beyond. Our programmes are designed to enhance career progression and foster intellectual and professional development and practice.

Key facts

- **Flexible programmes** Our programmes of study provide inclusive and coherent educational and work-related opportunities, allowing you to study either individual modules or to work towards a postgraduate certificate, diploma or Master’s degree.
- **Supportive environment** You are taught in a welcoming, supportive and flexible academic environment.
- **Practitioner-led** Our academic team has extensive professional practitioner experience and provides valuable contributions to the design, development and delivery of current professional practice programmes.
- **Professional links** Our strong links to local and national employers ensures our programmes reflect contemporary practice.
- **Collaborative provision and partners** We develop and accredit postgraduate training courses delivered by Health Education England, London and South East Deanery, Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust and the New Horizons Teaching School Alliance.
- **CPD courses** We offer CPD courses in evidence-based practice, research skills, collaborative and interprofessional working. You can obtain further information about these programmes from our website.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates use the skills they’ve acquired to develop professional, educational, clinical and policy making career pathways at local, regional and national levels. Our alumni lead NHS foundation trusts, school academy trusts and professional associations.

“**My employment prospects have improved vastly. Not just having a degree on my record, but the new skill set, confidence and proved competence are all benefits to studying this programme.”**

James Devine, Chief Executive of Medway NHS Foundation Trust

**Taught programmes**

For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

**Advanced and Specialist Healthcare PCert, MSc**

www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2208

Location: Medway

**Entry requirements:** Entry onto the programme is via professional qualification in a relevant field (healthcare profession) with a minimum of two years post-qualification experience within the relevant area of practice. Alternatively, the successful completion of a University of Kent PCert or PDip in a health-related subject area. You must be able to demonstrate personal suitability and be within a suitable workplace setting.

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National ratings

REF 2014, University of Kent:

- Kent was ranked 17th in the UK for research intensity
- 97% of our research was deemed to be of international quality

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GP trainers who have achieved PCert or PDip in Strategic Leadership and Multi-professional Education in Healthcare can continue to study for a full MSc award by direct access into the PG Diploma.

Requests for APECL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential and Certificated Learning) and Credit Transfer are welcome.

This is a multi-professional programme designed for qualified, registered healthcare professionals including doctors, nurses, GP Fellows, physiotherapists and therapists working across a wide range of settings including primary, secondary and community care who wish to develop their academic skills alongside their professional role.

Taught by expert academics and clinicians, you broaden your expertise and hone your research skills while gaining a recognised qualification to help progress your career.

Teaching is structured around a series of extended taught weekends (on average four to six weekends a year at our Medway campus), consisting of formal lectures, seminars, guest speakers and action learning sessions. You explore your existing work practice, with modules designed to help you review and analyse current debates and professional challenges relevant to the specific area and healthcare context in which you work.

Course content
The programme is designed to be studied on a part-time basis. Typically, you complete the PCert in your first year, the PDip in your second and the MSc in your third.

First year PCert
You focus on evidence-based practice (health). You then choose a module from those available in the optional modules list.

Second year PDip
You develop your research skills and select further modules from those available in the optional modules list.

Third year MSc
You undertake a work-related project and complete your dissertation.

Advanced and Specialist Healthcare (Advanced Dental Clinical Practice) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2193

Location: Medway
Entry requirements: Applicants need to have gained the Faculty of General Dental Practice (UK) Post-registration Diploma or equivalent qualification; this provides 90 credits in the form of approved Accreditation of Prior Experiential and Certificated Learning (APECL). Applicants must also be working in a dental workplace setting.

The programme is a joint collaboration between Professional Practice and the Faculty of General Dental Practice (UK) (FGDP (UK)).

The MSc is a part-time Master’s-level programme studied over 18 months. It provides the route for the FGDP (UK) post-registration Diploma or other appropriately qualified students to extend their study to a full Master’s qualification.

The programme helps experienced dental care practitioners to extend and deepen the analytical and critical reasoning powers which underpin practice. For example, in organisational leadership and change, health and welfare systems, organisations and services and advanced technical procedures and practices.

Course content
In addition to successful completion of the FGDP post-registration or equivalent programme, you take compulsory modules to improve your research skills and complete a work-related project and a dissertation.

Advanced and Specialist Healthcare (Applied Dental Professional Practice) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/215

Location: Medway
Entry requirements: Applicants should hold either an existing professional qualification with registration to the General Dental Council or a professional qualification in a related dental field plus a minimum of two years’ dental practitioner experience. Accreditation of Prior Experiential and Certificated Learning (APECL) is encouraged and can be discussed with one of our admissions officers.

Flexible and multidisciplinary, this programme is designed to meet the needs of qualified registered dental professionals wishing to develop their academic ability while maintaining their professional role.

You analyse the current debates relating to key issues relevant to the professional context in which you are working and develop academic and professional skills necessary to meet the evolving needs of patient care in contemporary practice.

Course content
Your modules cover contemporary dentistry, evidence-based practice, professional standard setting and research skills. You also take modules specific to your chosen pathway and complete a dissertation.

Professional Practice MA, MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/224

Professional Practice (Teaching and Learning) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/335

Location: Medway
Entry requirements: A professional qualification or appropriate degree-level qualification and/or equivalent work experience at the appropriate level. Those entering the programme are expected to demonstrate professional experience in a role that involves responsibility, which they have held for at least two years. Applicants without traditional qualifications are considered on an individual basis and are required to demonstrate potential to study at postgraduate level.

This is an interdisciplinary programme for professionals who want to develop and enhance their practice. It is a work-related learning programme designed for participants from a variety of professional settings including the private, public and third sector.

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You explore your profession further, consider the challenges associated with your professional practice and develop your generic knowledge and skills in the workplace; while being able to focus on a specific area of practice relevant to you and your work.

You are able to follow one of our specific accredited pathways or select modules of personal and professional interest from across the University.

Course content
You take modules that focus on learning and development, evidence-based practice, and interprofessional working and developing your research skills. You select further modules from those available within Professional Practice or across the wider University. You also complete a dissertation.

Teaching and Learning pathway
This is a work-related pathway designed for qualified teachers in collaboration with Rochester Grammar School, Brompton Academy and the New Horizons Teaching School Alliance.

The modules you study address barriers to learning, the role of schooling and improve your research skills.

Online short course
Introduction to Master’s-level Study
Academic Threshold Concept
This online short course introduces you to the concepts and skills required for successful study of the Master’s programmes delivered by Kent’s Digital and Lifelong Learning. Participating in the course gives you the opportunity to develop new skills or revise skills you have learnt in the past but have not used for some time.

The course is a self-guided study resource, comprising two parts, plus a third part for those wishing to gain academic credit.

- Part 1: an introduction to the skills needed to research and write assignments at Master’s level
- Part 2: an introduction to concepts of learning at Master’s level
- Part 3: assessment details (only required if seeking to gain academic credit).

There are no formal entry requirements for Parts 1 and 2 of this short course. On successful completion of this course, you may choose to progress to the Master’s programmes.

Course content
From the course, you develop skills in the following areas:

- the ability to communicate clearly in written formats in academic and professional workplace settings
- manage complex information effectively and present this using a comprehensive range of learning resources
- demonstrate a capacity for autonomous learning and the ability to access professional resources as appropriate.

For further details see www.kent.ac.uk/professional-practice/programmes

Research areas
Current research areas include:

- communities of practice
- experiential learning
- power dynamics
- professionalisation
- reflective practice.

Further information
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Psychology at Kent offers a diverse, dynamic and supportive community in which to research and learn. We conduct both theoretical and applied research in several areas, and we are highly regarded as a leading European centre for postgraduate research. As well as a long-established international reputation in social psychology, we have also established strengths in cognitive, developmental and forensic psychology.

Our taught MSc programmes enhance your understanding of specialist topics and techniques in preparation for doctoral study and also employment in fields such as health, education, policy development, and human resource management. The School has a strong track record of attracting Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) research studentship funding, which involves partnerships with external organisations such as The Anne Frank Trust and collaborative studentships with partners such as People United.

**Key facts**

- **Accredited programmes** Our MSc in Forensic Psychology is accredited by the British Psychological Society as providing the first (academic) year of professional training for those who pass the course and wish to qualify as Chartered Forensic Psychologists. Our MSc in Organisational and Business Psychology is accredited by the Association for Business Psychology and can confer the title of Associate Business Psychologist.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates move on to careers in areas such as: speech and language therapy, psychometric testing, specialist charity work, healthcare, local government, coaching and training, conflict management, prison and probation service, polling and electoral analyses, public relations, political consultancy, human resource management, recruitment, counselling, policy development, organisational development consultancy and general managerial roles.

**Key resources**

- The Kent Child Development Unit (a suite of child-oriented laboratories and a database of children who participate in developmental research) and research team focusing on how children learn about their world
- An observational suite and fully equipped video studios
- Group dynamics laboratories
- Networked small groups/interpersonal interaction laboratories and hub room
- Electrophysiology (ERP/EEG) laboratories
- Eye-tracking laboratories
- Galvanic vestibular stimulation laboratory (GVS, Magstim)
- Physiological measurement laboratories
- Social cognition laboratory
- Transcranial magnetic stimulation laboratory (TMS)
- Visual cognition laboratories
- Virtual reality laboratory

“I particularly enjoyed the regular seminars given by well-known forensic psychologists. The integration of theories with practical experience made learning much more pragmatic.”

Mehdi Alemohammad, MSc Forensic Psychology, now a trainee forensic psychologist

**National ratings**

REF 2014, psychology:
- 97% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 11th for research intensity

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Cognitive Psychology/Neuropsychology MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/65
Location: Canterbury
Cognitive psychology and neuropsychology bring together a range of different theoretical frameworks. Cognitive psychological, neurobiological, neuropsychological and computer science approaches combine in order to understand how the human mind/brain solves a variety of complex problems, such as recognising objects, remembering previous experiences, reading, speaking and reasoning.

Course content
You take modules looking at current issues in cognitive psychology and neuropsychology, and statistics and methodology. You then choose two further modules from a list that covers, at an advanced level, topics such as: cognitive (neuroscience) methods in practice; cognition in action; cognitive development; developmental psychopathology; and the psychology of eyewitness testimony. You also complete a research project.

Developmental Psychology MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/66
Location: Canterbury
The MSc focuses on questions such as: What psychological changes occur during infancy, childhood and adolescence? What psychological processes drive the development of children? What can psychologists do to promote healthy development in neurotypical individuals and support development among individuals with developmental disorders?

The programme draws on the strengths of developmental psychologists working in the Kent Child Development Unit (KCDU). Some of our research is carried out in nurseries and schools. In addition, the KCDU has an extensive database of young children who visit the Unit to take part in research. You can use these facilities for the purpose of your dissertation project.

Course content
You take modules in cognitive development, developmental psychopathology and statistics and methodology. You then choose two further modules from a list that covers, at an advanced level, topics such as: cognitive (neuroscience) methods in practice; intergroup relations; current issues in social and applied psychology theory and applications; developmental psychology in professional practice; and the psychology of eyewitness testimony. You also complete a research project.

Forensic Psychology MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/69
Location: Canterbury
Entry requirements: In addition to general entry requirements, you must also qualify for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) with the British Psychological Society (BPS); Graduate Membership of the BPS is insufficient.

This MSc is accredited by The British Psychological Society as providing the first (academic) year of professional training for those who wish to qualify as Chartered Forensic Psychologists.

Course content
You study the assessment and treatment of offenders in forensic settings, forensic cognition, the psychology of criminal conduct, and of law and justice. You take a module in statistics and methodology and complete an empirical research project in forensic psychology.

Organisational and Business Psychology PCert, PDip, MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/366
Taught jointly with: Kent Business School
Location: Canterbury
This MSc brings together aspects of psychological research into applied, social, and organisational psychology modules from the School of Psychology together with modules on organisational behaviour and people management from Kent Business School.

This MSc is accredited by the Association for Business Psychology and can confer the title of Associate Business Psychologist.
Course content
You study business and organisational psychology and the psychology of selection and assessment. You then choose three optional modules from a range that covers areas such as human resource management and development, leadership and management and entrepreneurship. You also complete a methods and statistics module and a research apprenticeship dissertation.

Political Psychology MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1206
Taught jointly with: School of Politics and International Relations
Location: Canterbury
This programme explores the relationships between political and psychological processes. It offers a unique interdisciplinary focus on key current issues in political psychology.

Course content
Key topics include the nature of political ideologies, government perceptions, justice and inequality, beliefs in political conspiracies, and political conflict and violence. You develop your knowledge of theory and practice by studying a range of areas such as advanced intergroup relations, public opinion, and statistics and methods. You also complete a research project in political psychology.

Social Psychology MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/75
Location: Canterbury
The programme is taught by our outstanding research group in social psychology. Teaching and research covers the psychology of intergroup behaviour, group decision and performance, attitudes and persuasion, organisational psychology, social cognition, children's self-concept and social attitudes, and cross-cultural questions, relating social psychological research in these areas to social problems.

Course content
You take modules in the theory of social and applied psychology and its applications and in statistics and methodology. You then choose two optional modules from a range that covers, at an advanced level, areas such as: groups, teams and organisations, developmental psychopathology, intergroup relations, developmental psychology in professional practice, political psychology, and the psychology of eyewitness testimony. You also complete a research project.

Research programmes
For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Cognitive Psychology/Neuropsychology PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/76
Forensic Psychology PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/77
Psychology MSc, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/78
Social Psychology MSc, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/79

Location: Canterbury
The breadth of our research interests allows us to offer supervision of research degrees in a number of areas of psychology, including: social psychology; developmental psychology; forensic psychology; cognitive psychology; political, organisational and existential psychology; personality and motivation. You should include an outline of your proposed research in your online application form.

If you have not already successfully completed an advanced statistics and methods course (ie, beyond Bachelor-degree level), in your first year you will need to take our Master’s module in statistics and methodology.

We also offer MSc degrees by research (one year full-time or two years part-time), involving a research project and the advanced statistics training required of doctoral students.

Further information
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Research themes

The School of Psychology is highly regarded as a leading European centre for postgraduate research, with an international reputation for excellence in social psychology (including group processes and intergroup relations); cognition and neuroscience; developmental psychology; and forensic psychology. We have staff who can supervise research degrees in all of these areas.

Social psychology

The social psychology research group at Kent is a leading centre for social psychological research in Europe. The group is comprised of internationally renowned researchers who have established a worldwide reputation for their research.

Our academics have received prestigious editorial appointments and both national and international awards. Many leading international social psychologists are affiliated with the group, reflecting the strong reputation of social psychology at Kent. Research is funded by a variety of British and international sources, including European Research Council, Economic and Social Research Council, British Academy, Leverhulme Trust, National Science Foundation, European Commission, Home Office, Department of Trade and Industry, Nuffield Foundation and Joseph Rowntree Foundation. Our researchers also engage in consultancy work for businesses and government.

The Social Psychology group research covers all areas of social psychology, including:

- prejudice and discrimination
- equality, identity, diversity and change
- justice and morality
- attitudes and decision making
- status, leadership and power
- conspiracies and social movements
- security and risk
- social influence
- personality
- culture and social interaction.

Cognition and neuroscience

Cognition and neuroscience research at Kent involves both neurologically healthy volunteers and those who suffer from brain abnormalities. It concentrates on two key areas: visual cognition, attention and memory and language and communication.

Visual cognition, attention and memory

Research focuses on the role of vision and visual perception in human performance. The aim is to identify the cognitive processes and neurological mechanisms that underlie various visual tasks. Studies with neurologically healthy volunteers examine issues such as face recognition and identification, eyewitness testimony, person detection, emotion processing, episodic memory, and pattern and motion recognition.

Our research also examines a range of psychological disorders, including unilateral visual neglect, addiction, dementia and persistent vegetative state. We are interested in examining the cognitive nature of these disorders, which includes assessing attentional biases, visual experiences and neurological activity. Much of our work also has an applied motivation, for example helping to develop better therapies for people with brain injury.

Language and communication

Research in this group examines various aspects of semantic, pragmatic, morphological and syntactic understanding. Research questions on healthy populations include the role of executive functions in successful language use and communication, how language influences attentional processes and perspective taking, anomaly detection in reading, and brain structural and functional correlates of grammatical processing. Work on developmental populations examines issues such as how children learn to understand and produce sentences in their own language, how they learn conversational conventions and self-repair, and bilingual language acquisition and processing. Research also examines developmental disorders of communication, including autism spectrum disorders and dyslexia.

Forensic psychology

Forensic psychology research and all forensic-related teaching operates through our Centre of Research and Education in Forensic Psychology (CORE-FP).

Members of CORE-FP are world-leaders in research and teaching on:

- preventing offending
- psychological factors in the investigation of crime
- psychological processes in the courtroom
- social and cognitive causes of offending and antisocial behaviour
- treating and rehabilitating people who offend
- understanding victims of crime.

Some of our current projects focus on specific forensic challenges:

- arson and firesetting
- cruelty towards non-human animals
- harmful sexual behaviour in an online world
- intergroup and interpersonal aggression and violence
• prison gangs and street gangs
• sexual abuse of children
• sexual aggression from ‘only banter’ to rape.

**Developmental psychology**

Our developmental psychologists are internationally recognised and award-winning, and their research projects have been funded by major research grants from ESRC, Wellcome Trust, NHS Executive, Big Lottery Fund, Oxfam, Department for International Development, and the University of Kent.

Our research interests include:
• how children learn to communicate
• social cognition (eg Theory of Mind)
• peer interactions
• understanding prejudice
• infant cognitive development
• developmental psychopathology (eg autism)
• conversation analysis
• how children learn to reason logically
• gender and sexuality in human development

We have excellent links with the wider community. Members of the Developmental Psychology group are committed to sharing their research findings and methodologies with the public. We hold highly successful large-scale events that bring together practitioners, policy makers, and academics to share knowledge and develop collaborations. Our outreach events are typically interactive, fun, and informative. They range from ‘Play and Learn’ days for young families to workshops for school children on topical issues such as cyberbullying and happiness.

**Research centres**

The School of Psychology currently includes two research centres, representing areas of concentration and excellence in research.

**Centre for the Study of Group Processes**

The Centre consolidates the School’s excellent international reputation for social psychological research into group processes and intergroup relations. It attracts visits and research collaborations from major international researchers, many of whom have formal affiliations with it. The Centre edits an international journal, *Group Processes & Intergroup Relations*.

**Centre of Research and Education in Forensic Psychology (CORE-FP)**

CORE-FP members are editors, associate editors and editorial board members for major journals in forensic and applied psychology. Many are Chartered Forensic Psychologists who assess and treat individuals who have offended. CORE-FP academics have strong links with the UK Prison Service, the NHS, the Police, and other bodies involved in forensic related services and activities.

Research conducted at CORE-FP is funded by various national and international sources, which include the British Academy, Economic and Social Research Council, the Home Office, Leverhulme, the Ministry of Justice, the Nuffield Foundation and the Police.

**Staff profile**

**David Williams**

Professor of Developmental Psychology, Head of School

Professor Williams completed his PhD at the Institute of Psychiatry, King’s College London, where he investigated the development of self-awareness in neurotypical children and children with autism spectrum disorder.

Since he came to Kent from Durham University in 2013, his research has focused on ‘metacognition’ (awareness of one’s own thoughts), and mindreading (awareness of others’ mental states and cognitive activity), and the relation between them. He is also interest in the typical and atypical development of episodic memory (recollection of remembering past experiences) and episodic future thinking (imagining experiences that might occur in one’s personal future).

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“Supervisions, which take place once per month, are an invaluable part of the PhD process. I have found them essential for having the opportunity to discuss my ideas and gauge my progress. My supervisor has been really generous with his advice to help me towards realising my career aspirations.”

Nicole Graham, PhD Theology and Religious Studies
Religious Studies

The Department of Religious Studies at Kent has an exceptional track record in supporting advanced research training at doctoral and post-doctoral level. We have developed a major online training resource in advanced methods for the study of religion, as well as researching the contemporary moral landscape.

Collectively, the staff at Kent cover all the current methodologies and theoretical approaches, from empirical research to psychology of religion to continental philosophy and history of ideas. As well as offering expertise in all the major world religions, we are widely recognised for groundbreaking work at the edges of the categories of religion and the secular. Among the many combined subject areas we cover are: religion and media; religion and politics; religion and comparative literatures; and religion and society.

Key facts

- Cross-disciplinary study The Department strongly supports cross-disciplinary work and you are encouraged to take advantage of the wide range of postgraduate classes and seminars available both within the Department of Religious Studies and across the University as a whole.
- Research seminars and workshops Our postgraduate students play an active role in the training and research culture of the Department. This includes our regular research seminars and other training workshops.
- Professional development You are also supported to undertake wider professional development activities, including teaching and writing for publication, which help you prepare for future academic work.
- Graduate destinations Graduates are now working in universities and colleges in North America, the UK and Europe, the Middle East, and elsewhere. Many are successfully publishing their theses as books with major academic presses.

“At Kent I am able to work with some of the most brilliant academic minds in Religious Studies – and when asked they all generously share their time and experience. I always feel both academic and administrative staff are on my side.”

Greg Robbins, PhD Religious Studies

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/90

Theology and Religious Studies PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/90

Location: Canterbury
Entry requirements: an undergraduate degree (first or 2.1) and a Master’s degree (distinction).

You are expected to provide a strong research proposal at the time of application.

National ratings

REF 2014, theology and religious studies:
- 98% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 3rd for research impact
- 7th for research quality
- top 20 for research intensity and research output

Apply online
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Social and Community Care

The Tizard Centre, part of the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research, has excellent links with health and social care organisations. The Centre is at the forefront of learning and research in autism, intellectual and developmental disabilities, and community care. In 2013 we received a Queen’s Anniversary Prize in recognition of our outstanding work in these areas.

Our primary aims are to find out more about how to effectively support and work with people with intellectual and developmental disabilities; to help carers, managers and professionals develop the values, knowledge and skills that enable better services; and to aid policymakers, planners, managers and practitioners to organise and provide enhanced services.

Recognised as leading the field in de-institutionalisation and community living, challenging behaviour, sexuality and autism, the Centre has had a significant impact on national policies in these areas. We are also committed to addressing issues arising from social inequality.

Key facts

- **Research seminar series** The Tizard Centre runs an annual seminar series where staff or guest lecturers present the results of research or highlight recent developments in the field of social care.
- **Jim Mansell Memorial Lecture** We invite public figures or distinguished academics to discuss topics of interest to a wide audience.
- **Tizard Learning Disability Review** Published by the Centre, the Review provides a source of up-to-date information for professionals and carers.
- **Postgraduate study space** Research students have a shared office space with computers.
- **Graduate destinations** The skills gained allow our graduates to further progress their careers working in local authority and healthcare settings, private agencies, charities and voluntary organisations. Some move on to teaching and research. Graduates can also benefit from the Tizard Practitioners’ Network, where members can share professional information.

Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

**Analysis and Intervention in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities PDip, MSc**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/94

**Autism Studies PCert, PDip, MA**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/95

**Autism Studies PCert, PDip, MA (Distance Learning)**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/98

**Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities PCert, PDip, MA**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/101

**Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities PCert, PDip, MA (Distance Learning)**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/103

**Location:** Canterbury

These degrees are advanced professional development programmes involving some or all of the following: distance learning; study workshops; service placement visits; and a clinical placement (which can be in your home area). The programmes in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) and Autism Studies can be completed mainly by distance learning.

National ratings

REF 2014, social work and social policy:
- 99% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 2nd for research power
- 3rd for research intensity
- 5th for research impact and research quality

Apply online
www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply
Accreditation of Prior Learning and Prior Experiential Learning may be possible on all programmes. You can transfer between programmes and between levels, subject to meeting admission requirements.

Students taking the PDip or MSc in Analysis and Intervention in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities need some practical experience in services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. They work in two different placements during the programme: a service placement based at the Tizard Centre and an individual clinical placement based in a community learning disability team or social care service. They base their dissertation on empirical research in services.

Course content
The modules you study cover behaviour analysis and intervention, service issues in intellectual and developmental disabilities and the social psychology of autism and intellectual and developmental disabilities. You also complete a project, dissertation or case study.

Applied Behaviour Analysis
PCert, PDip, MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/105

Positive Behaviour Support
PDip, MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1230

Location: Canterbury

These programmes enable you to develop a critical understanding of concepts and principles of applied behaviour analysis and positive behaviour support. Both programmes share most modules and are intended to provide the coursework necessary for certification as a Board-Certified Behaviour Analyst. The programmes are for both recent graduates and experienced practitioners with theory and practice options in most modules.

Course content
Your modules cover the concepts, principles and underpinning philosophy of applied behaviour analysis. There is a focus on behavioural assessment and the development and implementation of positive behaviour interventions and a module that looks at issues in values ethics and professional practice. A research methods module supports your dissertation or work-based learning project.

Research programmes
For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Applied Psychology MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/106

Community Care MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/109

Intelectual and Developmental Disabilities MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/110

Mental Health of People with Learning Disabilities MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/112

Location: Canterbury

The Centre offers excellent opportunities for full or part-time research in intellectual disability and community care. The Tizard Centre has a strong track record of attracting University research studentship funding. You should send an outline of your research proposal with your application.

Research areas
Current research areas include: social inequalities and community care; intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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Staff profile

Nick Gore
Senior Lecturer in Learning Disability

Nick's work focuses on supporting children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, together with their families and staff teams. He has a special interest in early intervention, behaviour that challenges and development of a Positive Behavioural Support (PBS) Framework. He has produced a range of research, conceptual and practical publications in these areas, helped to develop and maintain stakeholder networks and drive the implementation of PBS in the UK with regards to workforce development and policy initiatives.

Nick is the lead developer for the Early Positive Approaches to Support (E-PAtS) programme for family caregivers, co-founding member of the PBS Academy and a member of the Sharland Foundation Developmental Disabilities Research and Impact Network.
Social Policy and Social Work

The School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research (SSPSSR) has a long and distinguished history, and is one of the largest and most successful social science research communities in Europe.

Academic staff specialise in research of international, comparative and theoretical significance, and we have collective strengths in the following areas: civil society, NGOs, philanthropy and the third sector; cross-national and European social policy; health, social care and health studies; social work; work, employment and economic life; risk, ‘risk society’ and risk management; race, ethnicity and religion; social and public policy; sociology and the body; crime, culture and control; sociological theory and the culture of modernity.

Key facts
- **Excellent resources** Postgraduate students are supported by excellent online library resources and have access to a range of skills enhancing workshops.
- **Teaching opportunities** Where appropriate, research students are encouraged to expand their skills and experience by teaching part-time in our School.
- **Postgraduate seminar series** These weekly seminars introduce the work of international scholars.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates move on to work in a variety of areas including the civil service, banking and financial services, teaching and research, public relations and human resources. Social Work graduates find roles in the NHS, adult and children’s services, and voluntary agencies.

“Master’s students have high expectations and that works well because the academics can go into depth. They get to teach their specialised topics and they really enjoy that. Some of my Master’s lectures were the best I’ve ever heard.”

**Jack Warner, MA Methods of Social Research**

Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

**International Social Policy PDip, MA**

**www.kent.ac.uk/pg/118**

**Location:** Canterbury

The programme provides you with an advanced understanding of current debates, theories and concepts relevant to international social policy. You learn about the common features of social policy arrangements internationally and the diversity and differences that characterise welfare in different countries.

**Course content**
You take compulsory modules in comparative social policy, critical social research and the social research design. You then choose optional modules from a list that covers areas such as: drug policy, civil society and the third sector, theories of crime, qualitative research, quantitative data analysis, social change and political order, terrorism and modern society. You also complete a dissertation.

National ratings

REF 2014, social work and social policy:
- 99% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 2nd for research power
- 3rd for research intensity
- 5th for research impact and research quality

Apply online

**www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply**

Entry requirements

**www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply**
Methods of Social Research
PCert, MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/119
Location: Canterbury

This programme introduces a variety of different approaches to social science research, presented in a multidisciplinary context and at an advanced level. It focuses on developing practical skills in analysis and presentation of social research, the philosophical, theoretical and ethical issues surrounding research, and the debates about the relationship between theory and research, and between research and policy/practice.

Those students who wish to follow a sociology pathway should take optional modules that focus on sociology or social policy.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover critical social research, the design of social research, qualitative research and quantitative data analysis. You then choose two modules from those available within the School, covering a wide range of topics including sociology, social policy and criminology. You also complete your dissertation which must include original empirical research.

Philanthropic Studies PCert, PDip, MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/769
Location: Distance learning with some attendance at either Canterbury or Medway

This two-year part-time programme provides a comprehensive overview of philanthropy in theory and practice, covering historical developments, contemporary issues, conceptual challenges and key debates. It is for those pursuing a career in the philanthropy sector and professionals seeking an opportunity to reflect on their practice, as well as donors seeking a greater understanding of the meaning and purpose of philanthropy.

Modules are delivered by academics trained in a wide range of relevant disciplines including social policy, business, economics, history, sociology, geography, moral philosophy, anthropology and law. You benefit from the input of expertise from beyond the University, including contributions from leading philanthropy experts, advisers, consultants, grant-makers, fundraisers and strategic philanthropists.

Course content
You take compulsory modules in the fundamentals of philanthropy and comparative perspectives in global philanthropy. A further module develops your understanding of social research. You choose optional modules from a range that covers areas such as the art and science of fundraising, advising donors, evidence-based practice and volunteering and society. You also complete your dissertation which must include original empirical research.

Social Work MA
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/124
Location: Medway

To apply for this two-year, full-time programme you should have relevant experience in social care or social work, as well as meeting our standard entry and placement requirements.

Social Work at the University of Kent is taught by world-leading academics and practitioners, and benefits from being part of one of the most successful social science communities in Europe.

The MA offers you the opportunity to gain a professional qualification in social work alongside a Master’s degree. The programme offers successful graduates eligibility for professional registration with the Health & Care Professions Council (HCPC), the regulatory body for social work for England. The MA provides the national required standard in knowledge and skills needed by professional social workers. The programme also provides extensive work in practice-learning settings that meet Government requirements.

Course content
Stage 1
You undertake a practice placement and assignment alongside modules which cover areas such as: communication and interpersonal skills; the individual, the family and society; law, rights and justice; and values, ethics and diversity. You also study social work theories and take a readiness for direct practice module.

Stage 2
Practical application of theory and knowledge continues with both a practice placement and assignment alongside modules which cover areas such as: critical and reflective practice; and social work with mental health and adult service users and children and families. You develop your understanding of research methods and complete a dissertation.

Related taught programme
International two-year MA in Social Policy
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/333

Designed for international students, this programme provides an introduction to high-level academic study leading to a recognised postgraduate qualification.

You gain an advanced understanding of the subject while receiving coaching in academic study and writing. Language and study support are also given in the first year to help you achieve your potential.

In your second year, you take compulsory modules in social policy and can also choose further modules from the wide range available within the School.

For full details of the programme, visit the website above.

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Research programmes

For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Applied Health Research MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/770

Migration Studies MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/334

Social Policy MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/126

Social Work PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/128

Location: Canterbury

Within the School, there is a breadth and depth of expertise and we offer high-quality supervision across a wide range of social and public policy areas. You need to show an interest in the chosen topic area and have a clear idea of your proposed thesis topic. In the case of research in health services and personal social services, we will also consider candidates with professional qualifications alone and/or relevant experience in the health service.

Research areas

Academic staff at Kent share a number of interests, grouped here for your guidance. However, there is often a degree of overlap between groups and your research project does not have to fall neatly within any one of them.

Applied Research Ethics and Integrity
See p177.

Civil Society
Staff in this research cluster seek to: understand the social forces and cultural interests that move people to take moral responsibility for responding to/caring for the needs of others; document and explain the institutional organisation of charitable behaviour and its social impacts; understand the socio-cultural dynamics of philanthropic behaviour and its effect on society.

Crime, Culture and Control
See p85.

Gender, Sexuality and Culture
See p177.

Health, Social Work and Social Care
Present studies cover a range of issues within the fields of health services, social work and health policy. Particular interests include health care organisation and policy; risk assessment and management; primary care; public and user views of healthcare; health inequalities; occupational therapy; care work in health and social care; adoption; foster care; adult attachment theory; mental health; psychoanalysis; child protection; race, ethnicity and health.

Migration and Ethnicity
Though socially and discursively constructed, ‘race’ continues to be a key basis of social division and identification in British society, across Europe, and globally. Not only do many disparate ethnic minority groups identify along ethnic, racial and religious lines, but ethnicity and race continue to shape a variety of outcomes, such as employment, educational attainment and senses of ‘belonging’. In this sense, ‘race’ and the recognition of difference continues to matter and is a key element in the School’s research interests.

Risk and Uncertainty
The critical analysis of risk and perceptions of risk have become central issues in the sociology of the ‘risk society’ and this is an important focus of activity in the School. Staff research includes work on health risks and their management, the implications of attitudes and behaviour concerning risk for the welfare state, the development of a culture of risk and anxiety, moral panics, risk and crime, risk and the life course, suffering, and the perceptions of new communications technology.

Social Theory
See p177.

Welfare State
The primary interest of this group is the welfare state and the surrounding issues of sustainability, morality and political allegiance. Research topics have included comparative social policy, social attitudes, disability, old age, health and social care services, labour market policies, immigration, poverty and inequality, research methods in the welfare field, the politics of welfare and theoretical work.

Visual and Sensory
See p178.
Work and Economic Life
Interest in the issues surrounding work stretches across SSPSSR. Current projects focus on work identity and meaning; work/life balance; age, generation and employment; visual representation of work; deindustrialisation; organisational sociology; gender, ethnicity and class at work; historiography of work sociology; moral economy; workplace ethnography and oral histories.

Research centres
The School also has several research centres that bring together experts in the field, co-ordinate research, organise talks and offer opportunities for postgraduate students to get involved in discussions and research projects.

Centre for Child Protection
See p69.

Centre for Health Services Studies (CHSS)
The Centre is a designated National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Research Design Support Service. Particular areas of expertise include pragmatic trials, risk assessment and management, care of vulnerable adults including older people, and public health.

Centre for Parenting Culture Studies (CPCS)
See p178.

Centre for Philanthropy
Dedicated to an understanding of the social processes and cultural experiences by which people acquire moral dispositions to care for others, the Centre for Philanthropy offers a focal point for much of this work. Research is conducted into the ways in which our capacity for feelings are socially cultivated, corporately structured, politically mediated and economically expressed. The Centre is also linked to the Third Sector Research Centre (TSRC), collaborating with the University of Birmingham on third sector theory and policy analysis.

Personal Social Services Research Unit (PSSRU)
The PSSRU is the largest social services research unit in the UK, and operates at three sites: the University of Kent, the London School of Economics and the University of Manchester. Research focuses on needs, resources and outcomes in health and social care: major concerns are resourcing, equity and efficiency from the perspective of users, agencies and others. The Unit has developed a distinctive analytical framework called the ‘production of welfare approach’ to illuminate this research.

Q-Step Centre
See p178.

Tizard Centre
See p170.

Staff profile
Dr Eddy Hogg
Director of Studies, Social Policy
Dr Hogg completed his PhD at Northumbria University. Collaborating with Age UK, his thesis looked at how volunteering is related to changing domestic and work responsibilities throughout people’s lives.

Since coming to Kent, his research interests have focused on voluntary action in a range of social settings, how people give their time and money to good causes and how social and regulatory systems encourage and constrain people’s charitable actions. An active member of the Voluntary Sector Studies Network and the International Society for Third Sector Research, he regularly comments on issues affecting the voluntary sector in the UK and beyond.

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Sociology

The School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research (SSPSSR) has a long and distinguished history, and is one of the largest and most successful social science research communities in Europe.

Our academic staff are world authorities in their fields and take part in international symposia and research projects. Our programmes combine the teaching of rigorous research methods and analytical theory in a supportive and inclusive environment. The School’s multidisciplinary nature is also an advantage, enabling you to explore different areas of research and application.

Key facts
- **Quantitative research expertise** The School’s expertise in quantitative research methodologies provides an excellent setting for postgraduate study and developing your research skills.
- **Consultancy and advice** We act as consultants and advisers to a wide variety of government departments, professional organisations, research funding bodies and journals.
- **Conferences and symposia** We encourage you to take part in conferences and symposia, so that you gain experience of presenting your work and can meet and discuss your field with your peers.
- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates move on to work in a variety of areas including the civil service, banking and financial services, teaching and research, public relations and human resources.

Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

**Methods of Social Research PCert, MA**
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/119

**Location:** Canterbury

This programme provides essential training for those going on to employment involving the use of social research, or to further research in the social sciences. The programme focuses on developing practical skills in analysis and presentation of social research, the philosophical, theoretical and ethical issues surrounding research, and debates about the relationship between theory and research, and between research and policy/practice.

Those students who wish to follow a sociology pathway should take optional modules that focus on sociology or social policy.

**Course content**
Your compulsory modules cover critical social research, the design of social research, qualitative research and quantitative data analysis. You then choose two modules from those available within the School, covering a wide range of topics including sociology, social policy, criminology. You also complete your dissertation which must include original empirical research.

“At Kent you can find people who bring out the best in you, who help you be creative, independent and challenged. You can work on making the world a better place, one research project at a time.”

Robin Rose Breetveld, PhD
Sociology

National ratings

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- 99% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 2nd for research power
- 3rd for research intensity
- 5th for research impact and research quality

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The MA in Sociology invites you to think systematically about the social world and how it is changing. The programme provides a comprehensive overview of foundational concerns and current debates in sociology. You learn about current theoretical tools and develop skills in research and data analysis which can be used in a range of professional fields.

Course content
Your compulsory modules cover contemporary social theory and the foundations of sociology.

You then choose at least four modules from those offered by the School or in related fields, such as, anthropology, or politics and international relations. You then choose optional modules from a list that covers areas such as: drug policy, the worlds of work, civil society and the third sector, gender and crime, qualitative research, quantitative data analysis, social and political movements, and terrorism and modern society. You also complete a dissertation.

Research programmes
For the most up-to-date information, see website details below.

Applied Health Research MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/770

Sociology MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/145

Urban Studies MA-R, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/771

Research in Sociology at Kent covers a range of areas, including social and critical theory, social movements, globalisation and everyday life, cities and space, media and technology, class, ‘race’ and ethnicity, gender, work, visual sociology, the welfare state, risk and society, violence, NGOs and organisations, and social aspects of the body. We offer high-quality supervision across a wide range of areas and we work carefully to match you with a supervisor who suits your interests and ambitions.

Research areas
Academic staff at Kent share a number of interests so there is often a degree of overlap between groups and your research project does not have to fall neatly within any one of them.

Applied Research Ethics and Integrity
Bridging the gap between the study of ethics as a purely academic enterprise and research practice.

Civil Society
See p174.

Crime, Culture and Control
See p85.

Gender, Sexuality and Culture
Research addresses how gender is constructed and how it operates in a variety of social realms. Some recent projects have focused on gender in prisons, on women working as door staff in nightclubs and on how women are addressed in advice on pregnancy. Research on social policy also includes a focus on gender, examining how men, women and families are affected by legislation and service provision.

Health, Social Work and Social Care
See p174.

Migration and Ethnicity
See p174.

Risk and Uncertainty
See p174.

Social Theory
Research underpins sociological inquiry and is wider ranging in its scope. A basis for exploring the world and each other, social theory is vital to understand urgent problems of social structure and lived experiences.
**Welfare State**  
See p174.

**Visual and Sensory**  
Research looks at the visual dimension of social life. How is life seen; how are images created, stored and used? It also explores the use of images in innovative forms of research design and in sharing our findings.

**Work and Economic Life**  
See p175.

**Research centres**

The School also has several research centres that bring together experts in the field, co-ordinate research, organise talks and offer opportunities for postgraduate students to get involved in discussions and research projects.

**Centre for Child Protection**  
See p69.

**Centre for Health Services Studies (CHSS)**  
See p175

**Centre for Parenting Culture Studies (CPCS)**  
This Centre is interdisciplinary, with associates in other schools at Kent, including Psychology and Law, and at other universities in the UK and internationally.

While CPCS associates have diverse research interests, the common view is that child-rearing as a social activity needs to be distinguished from ‘parenting’ and the culture that surrounds it. The Centre seeks to show how the role and meaning of parenthood has changed in recent years.

**Centre for Philanthropy**  
See p175.

**Personal Social Services Research Unit (PSSRU)**  
See p175.

**Q-Step Centre**

The University of Kent is one of 15 universities in the UK to have a Q-Step Centre, significantly funded by the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE), the Nuffield Foundation and the Economic and Social Research Council for England (ESRC), to provide students with advanced training in quantitative methods in social sciences.

The Centre is based in SSPSSR and incorporates teaching from politics and international relations, law, business and liberal arts. At its heart is the delivery of quantitative skills training in a subject context with community-based projects and professional placements.

**Tizard Centre**  
See p170.

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**Staff profile**

**Tina Haux**  
Senior Lecturer in Quantitative Social Policy

Dr Haux is the Senior Lecturer in Quantitative Social Policy and Co-Director of Qstep at Kent. Her research interests are around family policy, welfare-to-work, evidence-based policy-making and longitudinal research methods. She started working life as a researcher in government working on childcare policy before moving into the voluntary sector to work for Gingerbread, the charity supporting single parent families. Being able to contribute research and analysis to improve policy-making and therefore the lives of others is a key aim of her work and teaching ethos.
The School of Sport and Exercise Sciences is one of the most exciting and innovative sports schools in the UK. Based on the University’s Canterbury campus, it has well-equipped, state-of-the-art sports science laboratories, plus a sports therapy clinic, sports rehabilitation gymnasium and respiratory clinic.

We are a dynamic research community looking to overcome the traditional barriers between scientific disciplines. Our research is wide-ranging and has led to excellent links with sporting bodies and teams, as well as NHS foundation trusts. We also have partnerships with other top universities nationally and internationally.

We have a good track record when it comes to research funding having received grants from among others, the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and the Ministry of Defence, as well as from charitable.

Key facts

- **School facilities** Our excellent purpose-built facilities, include multiple Physiology laboratories, a Psychobiology laboratory, and a Biomechanics laboratory equipped with 3D motion capture cameras and force plates. There is also a sports therapy teaching clinic and rehabilitation gymnasium.
- **Campus facilities** In September 2021, the School is moving to Kent’s Canterbury campus. As well as excellent academic facilities, the campus also has an outstanding Sports Centre, which includes an air-conditioned fitness suite across two floors, dance and fitness studios with numerous classes, indoor courts for badminton, basketball, netball, volleyball and squash, training facilities for martial arts, boxing and combat sports and outdoor pitches for rugby, football and American football.
- **Research groups** Our research groups focus on endurance, health and sports legacies and society.
- **Research with impact** Our staff have used their research to benefit elite athletes including Olympic swimmers and cyclists, and the England football team; soldiers in the British army; and specific clinical populations. They have sought to challenge perceptions of disability through a ground-breaking project run in collaboration with the Brazilian Paralympic Committee.

“"Our research Master’s emphasises independent and critical thinking, providing the perfect platform for those seeking to advance their research skills or move on to a PhD or further research. Our collaborative research environment helps all to thrive, as they pursue their scientific interests.”

Dr James Hopker, Director of Graduate Studies (PGR)

- **Graduate destinations** Our graduates go on to a range of roles including: community and hospital exercise specialists including in cardiac rehabilitation and health promotion; sports scientists with clubs and teams; biomechanists; and coaches. Others work in leisure industry roles within governing bodies and in sport promotion. Some move on to teaching or choose to continue their studies by undertaking a PhD.

National ratings
REF 2014, sport and exercise sciences:
- 94% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 18th for research intensity

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Research programmes

For the most up-to-date information see website details below.

Sport and Exercise Science (by Research and Thesis) MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2196

Sport and Exercise Science and Sports Therapy PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/154

Location: Canterbury
Entry requirements: An MSc, or a minimum 2.1 honours degree in a relevant subject

The School conducts high-quality, significant, national and international research and offers excellent research-led degree opportunities in research disciplines related to sport and exercise sciences. You can select topics for the MSc or PhD from any of our research areas. The MSc by research and dissertation enables you to undertake a single, focused, research project for the duration of your studies. The PhD programme allows you to conduct a series of research studies within your chosen areas. As a research student you regularly meet with your supervisor and can take part in research seminars to which staff, students and visiting speakers contribute.

Research groups

This specialist programme is for those who would like to undertake research that is applied to their area of professional practice. It develops your academic and professional knowledge, and you acquire advanced research skills. The programme culminates with the submission of a doctoral thesis or portfolio on a topic that advances your area of professional knowledge or practice.

The Endurance Research group

This group has quickly become one of the largest groups of research excellence within Europe. The research group focuses on various aspects of endurance performance including: exercise tolerance and resistance to fatigue, exercise-induced asthma, training, individualised prescription of training, immune function and infection risk and the use psychological skills in endurance athletes.

The Health Research Group

We focus on the use of exercise to enhance rehabilitation and promote healthy behaviours including: musculoskeletal rehabilitation, return to sports participation, psychobiology of physical activity, injury prevention and wearable technology in rehabilitation. Members of the group also have interests in the effects of exercise in cardiac and stroke patients, and the use of exercise to treat or manage chronic diseases (such as COPD, diabetes, Parkinson's disease, APS).

The Sports Legacies and Society Group

We conduct research on social legacies of mega-events to include sport participation, volunteering and Olympic education as well as broader sport policy and management issues that affect well-being and participation at various national and international settings.

Staff profile

John Dickinson
Reader in Sport and Exercise Sciences

Dr Dickinson came to Kent with several years’ experience of combining applied sports science support to elite athletes and applied research investigating breathing problems related to exercise.

At Kent, he continues to research into breathing problems related to exercise and is also consulting with professional teams and athletes. This support involves carrying out investigations and assessments with athletes in our sports science laboratories and in the field. As part of this work, Dr Dickinson encourages students to gain experience by offering opportunities to assist in the delivery of these assessments.

Further information

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Statistics

Statistics at Kent gives you the opportunity to develop practical, mathematical and computing skills in statistics, while working on challenging and important problems relevant to a broad range of potential employers. Teaching and supervision is by staff who are research-active, with established reputations, who are accessible, supportive and genuinely interested in your work.

The group regularly receives research grants. The Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) has awarded two major grants, which support the National Centre for Statistical Ecology (NCSE), a joint venture between several institutions. Recent awards include a New Investigator Award from EPSRC and a standard NERC grant.

Key facts

- **Industrial placement**: competition for graduate employment remains fierce, so combining your postgraduate degree with relevant employment experience in a full-time salaried placement provides you with a real competitive advantage. Work placements give you the opportunity to put theory into practice, as well as make a valuable contribution to an organisation or industrial company. We offer guidance and support to help you find the right placement for you.
- **Practical application**: you gain practical data science skills by working on real-world problems.
- **Big data analysis**: A thorough grounding in cutting-edge methodology and computing techniques gives you the skills to work with big data.
- **Research areas**: Our research interests are wide ranging and include: ecology, Bayesian statistics, data science and health statistics, machine learning, nonparametric statistics and economics and finance.
- **PhD study**: Professional and research training: you receive a solid training in areas of statistics and data science, with a focus on machine learning and statistical modelling or on financial data science which prepares you for further study.
- **Graduate destinations**: Our graduates have gone on to work for organisations such as: the Department for Transport, Imperial College, Kings College, the Ministry of Defence and the University of Kent; for companies including HSBC and PWC; as well as in butterfly conservation.

“I am really enjoying my MSc in Statistics and feel like part of the research community in SMSAS. I am specialising in Statistical Ecology. My project title is: ‘Statistical modelling of spatial and temporal patterns in human-elephant conflict in Assam, India’, where I work in conjunction with Chester Zoo. The expert knowledge of the academic staff has helped me to develop a range of statistical methodology. I have applied these advanced techniques to complex data sets using specialist software such as R. After I graduate, I’ll look for a job in the statistical modelling sector; I firmly believe that my research MSc will provide me with more career options.”

Chloe Francis, MSc by Research in Statistics

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**National ratings**

REF 2014, mathematical sciences:
- 100% of our research judged to be of international quality
- 25th for research power

**Apply online**

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Taught programmes

For the most up-to-date information, including entry requirements, see website details below.

Statistical Data Science MSc (International Master's)
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2713

Statistics with Finance MSc (International Master's)
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/164

Location: Canterbury

Students whose mathematical and statistical background is insufficient for direct entry on to the appropriate programme, may apply for this course. The first year of the programme gives you a strong background in statistics, including its mathematical aspects, equivalent to the Graduate Diploma in Statistics. This is followed by the MSc in Statistical Data Science or MSc in Statistics with Finance.

Course content

In your first year your modules cover: applied statistical modelling, linear algebra, mathematical statistics, and real analysis. You also complete a project in statistics or probability. You then choose a further three modules in areas such as: statistical learning, statistics for insurance, stochastic processes and time series modelling and simulation. You can also take a module in English for academic study in the sciences.

In the second year, you follow the standard appropriate MSc programme.

Statistical Data Science MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2711

Statistical Data Science with an Industrial Placement MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/2712

Location: Canterbury

This programme trains professional statisticians and data scientists for posts in industry, government, research and teaching. It provides a suitable preparation for careers in other fields requiring a strong statistical background.

You undertake a substantial project in statistics and data science, supervised by an experienced researcher. Some projects are focused on the analysis of particular complex data sets while others are more concerned with generic methodology.

Course content

Your compulsory modules cover: advanced regression modelling, Bayesian statistics, computational statistics, data science with R, principles of data collection and probability and classical inference. You then choose two optional modules in areas such as: statistical learning, stochastic processes and time series and applied statistical modelling. All students complete a 12,000-word project.

Statistics with Finance MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/167

Statistics with Finance with an Industrial Placement MSc
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/1221

Location: Canterbury

This programme trains students for careers using statistics in the financial services industry. You study the statistical modelling underpinning much modern financial engineering combined with a deep understanding of core statistical concepts. The programme includes modelling of financial time series, risk and multivariate techniques.

You undertake a substantial project in the area of finance or financial econometrics, supervised by an experienced researcher. Some projects are focused on the analysis of particular complex data sets while others are more concerned with generic methodology.

Course content

Your compulsory modules cover areas such as: advanced regression modelling, Bayesian statistics, data science with R, financial econometrics, and probability and classical inference. You then choose three optional modules. Areas covered may include: mathematics of financial derivatives, financial economics processes. All students complete a 12,000-word project.

Research programme

For the most up-to-date information, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/169

Statistics MSc by Research, PhD
www.kent.ac.uk/pg/169

Staff research interests are diverse, and include: Bayesian statistics; bioinformatics; biometry; ecological statistics; medical statistics; nonparametric statistics and semi-parametric modelling; neuro imaging; time series modelling; high-dimensional regression; shape statistics.

Statistics has strong connections with a number of prestigious research universities such as Texas A&M University, the University of Texas, the University of Otago, the University of Sydney and other research institutions at home and abroad.

The research interests of the group are in line with the mainstream of statistics, with emphasis on both theoretical and applied subjects.
Research areas

**Statistical Ecology**
There has been research in the area of statistical ecology at Kent for many years. We are part of the National Centre for Statistical Ecology (NCSE), which was established in 2005. For details of the work of the NCSE, see www.ncse.org.uk

**Bayesian statistics**
Bayesian statistics is a subset of the field of statistics where some initial belief is expressed in terms of a statistical distribution. The research conducted in this area at Kent is mainly on Bayesian variable selection, Bayesian model fitting, Bayesian non-parametric methods, Markov chain Monte Carlo and applications in areas including biology, finance, economics, neuroimaging and engineering.

**Data science and health statistics**
Research is focused on statistical modelling and inference in biology and genetics with applications in complex disease studies. Over the past few decades, large amounts of complex data have been produced by high through-put biotechnologies. The grand challenges offered to statisticians include developing scalable statistical methods for extracting useful information from the data, modelling biological systems with the data, and fostering innovation in global health research.

**Machine learning**
This theme encompasses both theory and applications. Theory is involved with supervised and unsupervised learning, matrix factorisation, modelling of high-dimensional time series, differential privacy, deep learning and networks, shape analysis and statistics on manifolds, and neuroimaging. Applications in biology, industry, medicine and psychiatry. Often new computational methods are the key to analysing complex big data problems.

**Nonparametric statistics**
In order to describe the data, it is common in statistics to assume a specific probability model. Unfortunately, in many practical applications (for instance in economics, population genetics and social networks) it is not possible to identify a specific structure for the data. Nonparametric methods provide statistical tools for addressing inference in these situations.

**Economics and finance**
At Kent there is particular interest in the use of nonparametric methods including quantile regression and Bayesian nonparametric approaches. Application areas include modelling of the business cycle and capacity utilisation, calculating sovereign credit ratings, modelling of stock return data, and predicting inflation.

Staff profile

**Rachel McCrea**
Professor in Statistics

Rachel McCrea’s research interests are mainly in statistical ecology, focusing on (multi-state) capture-recapture-type models and integrated models. The Guy Medal in Bronze has been awarded for her innovative and novel work in statistical ecology, with particular reference to the development of goodness-of-fit tests and model selection strategies for complex ecological data.

Notable publications include: the 2017 JRSSC paper ‘A new strategy for diagnostic model assessment in capture-recapture’, which identified a direct relationship between particular diagnostic tests and score tests. She has recently received an EPSRC grant on an ecological project.

Further information

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VISITING THE UNIVERSITY

Come along to our campuses and centres to see for yourself what it’s like to be a student at Kent. We hold Open Days for everybody and also organise events specifically for postgraduates, or you can take a self-guided tour. Family and friends are welcome to come with you.
Open Days/Informal visits

We hold our Open Days in the summer and autumn at our Canterbury and Medway campuses and they are a fantastic way to come and see what Kent has to offer. You are also welcome to make an informal visit to our campuses at any time. We run tours of the Canterbury and Medway campuses on specified days or you can take a self-guided tour at a time that suits you.

We hope to be able to welcome you on to campus in 2021, but coronavirus restrictions may affect our regular programme of events. Please check www.kent.ac.uk/visit where you’ll find the most up-to-date information.

International students

Meet us in your country

You can talk to one of our representatives in your country about studying at Kent. You can also meet our team at virtual events around the world. See www.kent.ac.uk/international for details.

Individual tours

If you live outside of the UK and Europe, we can organise individual tours of our Canterbury or Medway campuses (advance notice is required). To arrange a visit, just complete the personal campus tours form at www.kent.ac.uk/informal

Virtual tours

You can explore Kent from anywhere in the world by taking a virtual tour of the university at www.kent.ac.uk/virtual-visit You can also take virtual tours of the accommodation at Canterbury and Medway, see: www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation

How to reach us

Canterbury

By rail

By bus
London Victoria to Canterbury bus station: journey time approx 120 minutes. Canterbury bus station to the University, regular service: journey time approx 15 minutes.

By road
From London, the north and west: M25, (M20), M2, A2. Canterbury central ring road, A290 Whitstable Road, St Thomas Hill, approx one mile (1.6km) up the A290, University entrance on right (signposted) near top of hill.

Campus map
www.kent.ac.uk/maps/canterbury

Medway

By rail
London St Pancras to Chatham: journey time approx 40 minutes. London Victoria to Chatham: journey time approx 45 minutes. London Charing Cross to Chatham: journey time approx 60 minutes.

By road
From London, the north and west: M25, M2. Follow signs for Gillingham, then the Historic Dockyard and Chatham Maritime via the A289 and the Medway Tunnel. From the east: A2, A289, the Gillingham Northern Link Road, follow signs for the Medway Tunnel.

By bus
From Chatham Station to Chatham Maritime: journey time approx 15 minutes.

Campus map
www.kent.ac.uk/maps/medway

Brussels

By rail
The Etterbeek train station is a 10-minute walk from the BSIS campus and provides regular connections with Schuman, Brussels North and Brussels Midi stations.

By bus
Take the 34 from Trone or Porte du Namur and alight at Arsenal. BSIS is directly opposite the Arsenal bus stop within the building ‘Espace Rolin’.

By tram
Trams 7 and 25 both stop at Arsenal.

By metro
The Brussels campus is a 10-minute walk from the Pétillon Metro station.

Campus map
www.kent.ac.uk/maps/brussels

Paris

By rail
The closest railway station to Reid Hall is Port Royal, which is on the RER B line and links directly to Charles de Gaulle airport and Gare du Nord station. From Gare du Nord, take the metro to Reid Hall (see below).

By metro
From the Gare du Nord, take line 4 (purple) in the direction of Mairie de Montrouge. It takes about 20 minutes to get to Reid Hall with no changes.

Campus map
www.kent.ac.uk/maps/paris
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The University of Kent offers taught and research postgraduate programmes, most of which can be studied on either a full- or part-time basis. International students who are in the UK on a Tier 4 (general) visa can only study on a full-time programme. For details of English language requirements, see p200.

- **Taught Master’s** Most run for a full calendar year beginning in mid-September, but some offer flexible start dates. They consist of taught modules run over the first nine months of the programme, followed by a dissertation or project.

- **Postgraduate diplomas** Postgraduate diplomas only require you to attend taught modules. You do not complete a dissertation or project.

- **International Master’s** These two-year programmes 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.

- **Flexible and distance learning** Students study and have discussions with staff and other students online; attend the University in blocks of time, often over weekends; or in a combination of these methods known as blended learning. Programmes are available as short courses, Certificates, Diplomas or full postgraduate degrees (MA, MSc).

- **Research programmes** We offer Master’s and PhDs. Master’s students produce a thesis of c30,000 words; PhD candidates produce a thesis of c.80-100,000 words, followed by a viva voce (oral) examination where they are tested by experts in their field.

- **Dual research awards** You are supervised by an academic at Kent and an academic at a university in another country, resulting in a dual award.

- **New Route PhD** A four-year course incorporating taught subject-specific modules and modules in research and professional skills training.

### Taught programmes

The majority of our programmes can be taken either full- or part-time; some programmes offer start dates in September or January. See individual course entries at www.kent.ac.uk/pg

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**Entry requirements**

For entry on to most of our Master’s programmes you need at least a second class honours degree; relevant professional experience may also be taken into account. For more details, see individual course entries at www.kent.ac.uk/pg
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