KBS Postgraduate Courses / Canterbury
Class of 2022 - 2023

Orientation and Induction:
MSc International Business and Management
MSc Marketing
MSc Leadership and Management
KBS Postgraduate Courses

KBS Postgraduate Courses extend your knowledge and improve your employment prospects. Our postgraduate courses are informed by our research and taught by experts with international reputations for the quality of their work. Our aim is to provide a transformative learning and stimulating student experience, where you and all KBS students are at the heart of all our considerations.

Orientation and Induction 2022

Congratulations on joining us on your chosen KBS Postgraduate Course and a big welcome to Kent Business School – a triple accredited Business School (AACSB, EQUIS, AMBA) which is in the top 1% of Business Schools globally.

This year, the KBS Postgraduate orientation and induction programme is full of fantastic sessions to ensure we get to know each other, you get to know your fellow students and that you are well prepared to start your first modules on Monday 26 September.

The aim of this programme is to give you an introduction to Kent Business School and your chosen KBS Postgraduate Course and to:

- provide you with an overview of your course structure and expectations for learning and teaching
- familiarise you with the University and Business School resources
- introduce you to other students and start developing your team skills in an international setting
- help you work effectively and efficiently in your study groups
Orientation and Induction Programme 2022

Registration and Pre-arrival

As advised in your ‘getting started’ email, please ensure that you have completed the full registration process. This will enable you to obtain your Kent account with username and password set up. Many of the pre-arrival and Welcome Week activities will require you to have these so that you can have full access to resources/information provided.

Please note that the last date for registration and arrival at the University of Kent, for those students with extenuating circumstances, is **Monday 10 October 2022**.

Please aim to arrive by **Monday 19 September 2022** in order for you to take part in Welcome Week activities. The timetable for the orientation and induction programme is detailed below. Please make a note of the sessions in your personal calendars.

**Quick links to induction weeks:**

[Pre-arrival learning and workshops (Week Commencing 12 September)]

[Welcome Week - Postgraduate Student Induction (Week Commencing 19 September)]
Pre-arrival learning and workshops (Week Commencing 12 September)

Utilising Online Technologies and Resources whilst studying at Kent

The University has launched the Online Learning at Kent Moodle module for all students. This includes information and tutorials on the key IT systems used by the University. You can access and complete this at your convenience once you are fully registered online and have your Kent username and password set up. It is advisable that you do this as soon as you can to support your learning.

Bitesize workshops to refresh your Academic Skills and baseline Maths skills for your studies at Kent

From Monday 12 September, the Student Learning Advisory Service (SLAS) will be offering a range of ‘Bitesize’ workshops to support student’s return to study. These include sessions on academic skills such as ‘Independent Learning, Reflective and Critical Thinking’ and ‘Getting the most from Lectures and Seminars’. SLAS are also providing a separate programme of ‘Bitesize’ sessions focused on Maths, Financial Maths and Statistics.

The Academic Skills workshops can be found under Moodle module DP19813 Online Bitesize Skills Development Workshops.

The Maths and Statistics workshops can be found under Moodle module DP19814 Online Bitesize Numeracy and Statistics.

We also strongly recommend that you complete the following modules when they become available on your Moodle login at the beginning of term:

- DP6636: Expect Respect
- DP1025: Understanding and Avoiding Plagiarism
- DP23000: Library Research Skills
Welcome Week - Postgraduate Student Induction
(Week Commencing 19 September)

Welcome Week takes place one week before the start of the Autumn term and we have put in place several events to ensure you are ready to start the following week.

The wider University will also run co-curricular and social sessions during Welcome Week. We have included some key central University events alongside KBS sessions in our schedule below.

Tuesday 20 September: Hello from the University and Graduate and Researcher College (GRC)

10:00 - 12:00  The Graduate and Researcher College (GRC) Induction Fair
Find out more about key University services and offerings available to you as a postgraduate student from the GRC. The Darwin Conference Suite

Wednesday 21 September: Online workshops for postgraduate students

09:00-10:00  Welcome to KBS! What you need to know about the School
Start your transformative experience here! A talk for new KBS postgraduate students including a welcome and information from the Dean, Professor Marian Garcia, Associate Dean, Dr Zita Stone and other key members of staff. Sibson Lecture Theatre 3

10:15 - 11:30  Meet your Director of Studies (DoS)
Meet your Director of Studies (DoS) and peers and hear more about the exciting course you are joining! Sibson Building

12:30 - 14:00  KBS Networking lunch and student information fair
Take the time to enjoy a lunch with fellow KBS students and find out more on core KBS services and offerings. Sibson Atrium (ground floor open space)

14:00 - 16:30  Canterbury city tours with your Director of Study
A team-building activity - a tour of Canterbury city centre with your Director of Studies and fellow students to see what the local area has to offer! Meet in the Sibson Atrium
Thursday 22 September: In-person workshops for KBS postgraduate students

10:00 - 11:00  Applying Academic Style at Postgraduate Level
Demonstrating good academic practice is a key factor in postgraduate study success. This session gives you the knowledge about good academic style and practice.  Sibson Lecture Theatre 1

11:00 - 12:00  Using Learning Resources at Postgraduate Level
The Library outlines how you can access learning resources and databases and make the most out of them during your postgraduate study.  Sibson Lecture Theatre 1

12:00 - 14:00  KBS Professional Photograph Drop-in Session
Come and have a professional photograph taken for use on your Kent account, LinkedIn profile and more!

Please drop in anytime between 12noon and 2pm

The ASPIRE Space, Sibson Building Level 1

14:00 - 15:00  Developing Transferrable Skills: Employability and Entrepreneurial Skills while at KBS
Where do you want your Masters course to take you? What skills do top employers look for next to your MSc degree? This session, delivered by your KBS Careers and Employability Lecturer and the team who support the Business-Start Up Journey will take you through the skills you will develop during your time with us. It will also outline the support provided by the School during and after your MSc journey.  Sibson Lecture Theatre 1

15:00 - 16:00  Developing Key Employability Skills: Cultural Competence and Working in Diverse Groups
During your postgraduate journey, you will work with a range of people from various cultures and backgrounds. Increase your cultural competence and enhance your group working skills to support you in your studies and beyond.  Sibson Lecture Theatre 1

10:00 - 16:00  Kent Union Welcome Fair
The Welcome Fair is open to all students (new and returning) and is the biggest and best opportunity to meet the Union's amazing student groups and find out everything Kent Union has to offer you!  Mandela Building

Friday 23 September: Let's meet in-person and socialise!

11:00 - 12:00  Using Charts and Data at Postgraduate Level
Using and presenting data is critical at postgraduate level. This session helps you develop this core skill.  Sibson Lecture Theatre 3
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| 12:00 - 14:00 | **Let’s Socialise!**  
**KBS Postgraduate staff and student social event** | A social event open to all KBS staff and postgraduate students to provide further networking opportunities before the start of term.  
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For a full list of events being held across the University, please see [the University Events calendar](#).