

MSc programmes offered by the School of Economics



MSc programmes at the School of Economics

Economics Area Programme

MSc Economics

MSc Economics and Data Science (2025 onwards)

MSc Finance and Economics (with KBS)

Structure of a standard one-year MSc programme

I. Terms and dates

- Autumn Term (September - December)
- Spring Term (January - March)
- Summer Term (April – June)
- Late Summer Term (dissertation term)

II. Credit structure

- **Coursework (120 credits)**
 - Six modules of 20 credits each
 - a) Three modules are compulsory
 - b) Three further modules are free choice
 - Dissertation preparation module
- **Dissertation (60 credits)**
 - MSc dissertation only (Option to do it in Bangladesh)

MSc Economics

Programme details

Description

This degree provides training in advanced economic theory and econometric methods. It develops comprehensive understanding of how modern market economies, function and how governments regulate market activity.

Career

Previous graduates from this programme have started their careers in consulting companies, economics analytics and in a wide range of economics services of the government.

Potential Starting positions

Economists, economics consultants, business consultants.

Current Module Structure

Core modules

- Advanced Microeconomics
- Advanced Macroeconomics
- Econometric methods

Choice modules (any 3)

- International Finance
- Financial Economics
- Money and Credit
- Sustainable Economic Growth and Environmental Valuation
- Development Economics
- International Economics

Programme website

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/194/economics>

Entry Requirements

Student Background

Student's background

- Bachelor degree in Economics (alone or combined with another subject)
- Sufficient mathematical background
 - preferably good knowledge of calculus and optimization under constraints
- Understanding of empirical analysis
 - previous work with data is an advantage

Entry requirements

Hard criteria

- Bachelor degree of at least 2:1 or higher (>60%)
- Any 2:2's (50-60%) will be considered by the School on a case-to-case basis where high marks in quantitative subjects will be decisive
- IELTS 6.5 or above (at least 6.0 in reading and writing and 5.5 in listening and speaking)

Soft criteria

- Potential consideration of academic career in Economics/Finance/Development Projects can be an advantage
- The transcripts will need to show sufficient mathematical background and they will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Dissertation

- *Should* you be interested in Development Economics...
- [Development Economics Research Centre at Kent \(DeReCK\)](#)
- You have the option of choosing for a co-delivery arrangement.
- Agreements with **Brac** University and **North-South** University in Bangladesh
- **Fully funded** through the Turing Scheme (you won't have to pay!)
- Hosted by them. [YES! A trip to Bangladesh.]
- Co-supervision.
- BRAC: an international development organisation that partners with over 100 million people living with inequality and poverty to create opportunities to realise human potential. <https://www.brac.net/>



Go Abroad Story: Bangladesh

Kent MSc Development Economics students, Gladness and Rebecca, studied abroad in Bangladesh. Hear what they had to say about their time studying abroad...

Gladness said:

"I embarked on a journey to Bangladesh for my MSc Development Economics dissertation, I did not plan for it initially. However, the opportunity presented itself, and I grabbed it. I felt like I needed a change of scenery to concentrate on my dissertation without distractions for four weeks. Additionally, my love for travel, exploring new places, and meeting new people influenced my decision.

"I studied the Effectiveness of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Program, specifically the Coastal Climate Resilience Infrastructure Programme (CCRIP), on Food Security in Bangladesh. I received fantastic guidance, a lot of assistance, and plenty of attention during my research. The team at BRAC University was incredibly supportive, aiding me in tasks such as data collection and arranging transportation. Their help significantly improved the entire research process.

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Experience of one of our students (Rombek) who went to Bangladesh in summer 2024

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RQnjBt2S4js>



Why one of our students (Louisa) loved staying with us this year (2024)

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AoJSFURv8IM>



MSc Economics and Data Science (2025-)

- New dual degree with Aix Marseille university (France)
- Two-years, full-time: one year in Canterbury and one year in Marseille.
- Possible to do internship in France, building industry connections.
- More details:

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/4965/economics-and-data-science>

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MSc Finance and Economics (with KBS)

Programme details

Description

This course integrates financial management with economic theory, empowering you to influence business outcomes with informed decisions, whether in corporate finance, policymaking or financial consulting.

What Triple Accreditation Means for the student:

Future-focused: The teaching will meet the highest international standards – which are valued by employers worldwide.

Globally-connected: Study alongside students and experts from all over the world – developing one's own network.

Career-ready: Gain real-world experience and practical skills that strengthen one's career prospects and develop a stand-out CV.

Current Module Structure

Core modules

- Financial Markets and Instruments
- Quantitative Methods for Finance
- Microeconomics
- International Finance
- Contemporary Issues in Finance and Economics

Choice modules (any 2)

- Corporate Finance
- Financial Economics
- Investment Management
- Programming for Finance and Trading
- Sustainable Economic Growth and Environmental Valuation
- Sustainable Finance
- Corporate Governance and Ethics
- Financial Technology
- Money and Credit
- Risk Management

Programme website

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/6170/finance-economics>

Overseas Tuition Fees

One-year full-time programme

- MSc Economics

Tuition fee for International Students (non-UK/non-EU): £20,700

Scholarships for International Students

University of Kent Scholarships

- International Scholarship for Taught Master's Students

£5,000 scholarships for one year for outstanding Overseas students on any MSc programme on current offer.

- British Council GREAT Scholarship: China, France, Kenya, Malaysia, Nigeria, Thailand or Turkey

£10,000 scholarships for one year for outstanding students on any MSc programme on current offer (in cooperation with British Council).

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/international/international-scholarships>

Scholarships for International Students

External Scholarships

- **Commonwealth Shared Scholarships**

Funded by the UK Department for International Development, the award is available for students from the eligible Commonwealth countries. It covers tuition fees, return airfares and living costs for a one-year taught Master's programme.

- **Chevening Scholarships**

Funded by the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office, available for students from Chevening-eligible countries, covers university tuition and monthly living allowance. Applications open in August for following academic year.

Living in Canterbury

Why Canterbury?

- **History**

Canterbury is a beautiful cathedral city and UNESCO world heritage site, with medieval buildings and cobbled streets steeped in history and a vibrant social scene

- **Nature**

The coast not far away either! The University is located along the Crab and Winkle way, a pathway linking Canterbury with the coastal town of Whitstable. Between beautiful wooden beach huts, colourful craft shops and excellent sea food, it's the perfect place to experience picturesque English seaside

- **Europe**

At less than an hour from London by train, Canterbury is well connected, and also has easy links to Paris and Brussels via Eurostar



Our Graduates

- **Neel Roy**

Studied MSc Economics and is now Economic Research Analyst at U.S. Federal Reserve in Atlanta Georgia

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- **Cian Ward**

studied MSc Development Economics and is now Communication Assistant at the Institute for Fiscal Studies in London/UK

MSc Development Economics



- **Sarah Steinbach**

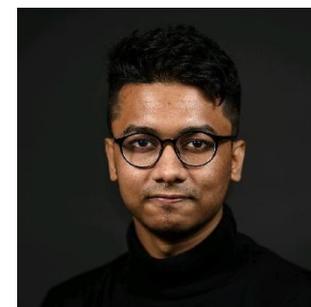
studied MSc Economics and is now Assistant Manager at Klynveld Peat Marwick Goerdeler (KPMG) Luxembourg one of the Big Four accounting organizations, along Ernst & Young (EY), Deloitte, and PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC)

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Our Graduates

- **Christine Ochoro Nakaya**
studied MSc Development Economics and is now Project Manager at the International Trade Centre in Abu Dhabi, Emirate, United Arab Emirates
MSc Development Economics
- **Dylan Paxton**
studied MSc Economics and is now Senior Product Manager at CrossBorder Solutions, New York, New York, United State
MSc Economics
- **Kaustabh Adhya**
MSc Economics University of Kent and is now a PhD student in Economics



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Further information about our MSc programmes

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/economics/prospective/postgraduate/index.html>

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