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STUDENT
FINANCE 2015

This booklet is for undergraduate students who start their studies in September 2015. It outlines the costs of studying (tuition fee and living expenses) and gives details of the support available from the University of Kent and the UK Government.

What financial support is available?
The University has created a range of scholarships to support you in your studies. Kent offers a generous financial package to support students who satisfy a range of socio-economic criteria. Further details can be found on p14 of this booklet.

In total, the University has committed £6 million to support new students and we will continue to support and encourage students who have a desire to learn.

DID YOU KNOW?
Kent is ranked as a top 20 UK university in The Guardian University Guide 2015.
THE BENEFITS OF A DEGREE FROM KENT

Studying for a degree is an investment in your future. You spend three or four years focusing on a specific subject area, developing skills and attributes that will help you to excel once you graduate.

Kent graduates have an excellent record of employment, which, even in the changeable job market, has remained strong. This is reflected in the most recent employment statistics, where six months after graduation in 2013, only 6% of Kent graduates were without a job or further study opportunity.

Enhanced career prospects
Throughout your time at university, you develop the key transferable skills that employers seek. These include: time management, problem solving, independent thinking, report writing, teamworking, leadership skills and effective communication.

You develop these skills in all areas of university life: organising your workload, planning research for assignments, writing essays and reports, dealing with multiple deadlines, planning social events, volunteering, part-time work and through membership of committees and/or student societies. These transferable skills are highly valued by employers and your ability to demonstrate these skills will be an excellent addition to your CV.

Year abroad and work placements
Many degrees at Kent give you the option to spend a year abroad, either working or studying at one of our prestigious partner institutions. Going abroad as part of your degree is an amazing experience and a chance for you to develop personally, academically and professionally. As a Kent student, a world of study abroad and work placement opportunities are available to you – from China, Hong Kong and Thailand, to the US, Latin America and Europe – and we support you every step of the way.

Year abroad
Employers value people with an international approach, and a proven ability to thrive outside of their comfort zone, who can negotiate the cultural diversity of the world, who understand the competitive environment and are able to identify international possibilities.

The year abroad is a great opportunity to develop your understanding of cultural differences and discover various ways of organising and doing things, and new ways of thinking.

Find out more about the year abroad, and watch video interviews with recent Go Abroad students, at www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad

Work placements
We offer local, European and international work placements through our Student Enterprise scheme. We have been connecting businesses with students for over ten years and we have a reputation for matching dedicated placement students to a variety of businesses, from small to medium enterprises (SMEs) to multinational corporations.

You can find further information about student placements and the Enterprise Scheme at www.kent.ac.uk/enterprise/students
Academic excellence

Kent is renowned for its teaching style and our academics have an outstanding ability to pass on their passion for study and debate. You are challenged and encouraged, and benefit from regular access to, and feedback from, our academic staff.

The high quality of teaching at Kent allows you to become an independent thinker, capable of adapting to different situations. This approach is enhanced by the opportunity to attend numerous talks and workshops, giving you the chance to place your studies within a broader context. In addition, Kent has an employability scheme which rewards student engagement in employability skills training within the University, as well as wider experience such as part-time work, volunteering and international study. This allows you to build and develop skills valued by employers.

Kent regularly performs well in the national league tables and consistently scores 90% or above for overall satisfaction in the National Student Survey (NSS). We are ranked in the top 20 of UK universities by The Guardian University Guide 2015 and have risen six places to 22nd in the UK in The Complete University Guide 2015.

World-leading research

While you are at university, you are taught by people whose research makes a difference to the world. At Kent, we have staff who undertake research into treatments for cancer, the economic and social impact of immigration policies, facial recognition to assist identification, mathematical equations for modelling weather forecasts, conservation, and risk in society.

Of our staff, 97% work in academic schools or centres where world-leading research is conducted, which, in turn, informs their teaching. You learn at the cutting edge of your chosen subject, informed by some of the best research in the world.

Learn more about research at Kent at www.kent.ac.uk/research

The Kent Experience

Whether you are interested in leisure activities, sporting development, volunteering, or making a contribution to student politics or the arts, Kent has an exciting range of societies to encourage you. These activities not only allow you to enjoy your time here, but also give you the opportunity to gain experience and enhance your employability skills. You can find out more by visiting www.kentunion.co.uk (Canterbury students) and www.gkunions.co.uk (Medway students).

The University is a welcoming, friendly and cosmopolitan community, with 41% of our academic and research staff coming from outside the UK and an international mix of students representing 149 nationalities. This creates a lively and diverse environment where you make friends not only from the UK, but also from around the world. Find out more about our campuses and European centres at www.kent.ac.uk/locations

Going to university is not just a time to study, but a time to learn about yourself, plan for your future and try new experiences. It’s a time to define who you are and what you want to achieve.
The University of Kent is committed to the delivery of high-quality teaching and the provision of first-rate facilities for all of our students. We set our tuition fees to ensure that we can honour this commitment and continue to invest in high-quality staff, essential to the provision of an excellent academic experience.

Tuition fees for UK and EU students

The University of Kent has set its tuition fees for UK and European Union undergraduate students at £9,000 for new entrants in 2015. For the latest information on fees see our website.

Students from the UK and the EU who meet the eligibility criteria, have access to a tuition fee loan. This means that the UK Government covers the cost of tuition fees for students in the form of a loan. For more details on funding from the UK Government, see p10.

Paying your fees

Tuition fees are due at the start of each academic year. If you receive a government tuition fee loan, this is paid directly to the University. You do not have to repay your loan until the April after you graduate and you are earning over £21,000 per year.

Further information

www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees

Tuition fees for international students from outside the EU

The figures in the table above are the standard fees for full-time students starting in the year 2014/15. They cover one academic year of study.

Fee information for 2015/16 will be published on our website, www.kent.ac.uk/fees

Paying your fees

Tuition fees are charged for each year of study and are due at the start of the academic year.

Payment discount

An instalment plan is available but if you pay the full year’s fee before 31 August, you are granted an early payment discount of 2%. See the Student Finance Guide at www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees

Undergraduate students who pay for their entire degree (three or four years of tuition fees) by 31 August have the fees frozen at the start of the course and receive a 5% discount on the total cost. Fees can be paid by a variety of methods, including online at: https://epay.kent.ac.uk/epay

Loyalty discount

The University of Kent values its graduates and alumni and offers a discount of 10% on the first year’s tuition fee for siblings, children of alumni and spouses/civil partners studying together or alumni studying for additional degrees.

Further information

www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees

Please note: some fees may be subject to an annual incremental increase.
Living costs
The main costs you incur while studying for your degree will be your everyday living costs: accommodation, course materials, food, and socialising/entertainment.

Please see below for a summary table of estimated costs.

Accommodation
(all prices quoted are for 2014/15)

Accommodation at Kent is divided into three basic types: part-catered or self-catered accommodation on campus and off-campus accommodation.

- Part-catered accommodation (Canterbury campus) includes utility bills, wired and Wi-Fi internet connectivity, personal room contents insurance and a meal allowance. Costs currently range from £196 to £219 per week for 31 weeks (including two daily meals) or £103 to £118 for 37 weeks (including one daily meal).
- Self-catered accommodation (Canterbury campus) includes utility bills, wired and Wi-Fi internet connectivity, personal room contents insurance, but not food. On average, costs range from £102 to £162 per week for 39 weeks.
- Self-catered accommodation (Medway campus) includes all utility bills, internet connectivity and personal contents insurance. The weekly cost is currently £134 per week (for 39 weeks).
- Students in private off-campus accommodation (Canterbury and Medway) typically pay between £85 and £100 per week, for a 52 week rental, plus costs for electricity, gas and water.

Details of 2015/16 University accommodation costs and further information on accommodation will be published on our website: www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation

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*The University also has 31 and 37-week accommodation contracts.*
TUITION FEES AND COSTS (CONT)

Books and course materials
Academic costs include books and course materials, as well as photocopying and printing costs. These can vary, depending on what subject you study. You should allow £10-£15 per week on average, although the bulk of this expenditure usually comes in the first term when you buy books for the year. You can reduce costs by purchasing second-hand books and by using the library.

Insurance
In University accommodation, your rent includes personal contents room insurance for loss of personal possessions up to £5,000 in respect of claims arising from fire, flood or theft within the accommodation area, including losses by walk-in theft. You can arrange additional cover online at the insurer’s website for accidental damage or all risks on high-value items such as mobile phones and laptops. Students living in privately rented off-campus accommodation may be required to pay for contents insurance cover.

Travel
The majority of facilities are within walking distance at both campuses.

Cars on campus
Students who live in University accommodation at Canterbury or Medway are not permitted to park at either campus. There are special arrangements for people who require a vehicle for accessible parking, medical reasons or who have an exceptional circumstance. For further information see www.kent.ac.uk/estates/transport/parking

Food
How much you spend on food varies depending on whether you live in part-catered, self-catered or off-campus accommodation. All students, whether living on or off campus including Medway students who wish to dine on campus at Canterbury, can join our ‘Real Meal Deal’ scheme, which saves up to 40% on your annual meal costs.

The University runs a free shuttle bus between the Canterbury and Medway campuses during term time. For bus travel in Canterbury, and throughout East Kent, you can buy a Unirider ticket from the local bus company, Stagecoach, which will reduce travel costs. See www.stagecoachbus.com/unirider-student-ticket for details. The University also works with the Arriva bus company, which operates in the Medway area, to offer discounted tickets for details, see www.kent.ac.uk/estates/transport

Skype is available, for details see www.kent.ac.uk/itservices/sbs
Public access computers at the University are free, but you pay for printer credits, see www.kent.ac.uk/itservices/print

Socialising and entertainment
You should set yourself a budget so you can enjoy everything Kent has to offer for the whole term, not just the first few weeks. Make sure you get a NUS Extra card, which offers exclusive discounts and potential savings of over £500 a year.

Most bedrooms in University accommodation do not contain televisions or aerials. If you bring a TV with you, or want to watch programmes live via your PC, you should have a TV licence. See www.tvlicensing.co.uk for details.
There is a variety of financial support for new students provided by the UK Government. The table below outlines the support available to UK and EU students. Summary tables on p11 give you more precise details of the funding available.

**Tuition fee loan**
Home (UK) and EU students can apply to Student Finance England (SFE) for a tuition fee loan up to the total cost of the course. This is paid direct to the University and treated as a loan to the student. You can apply for the loan once you have applied to university via the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS).

If you live in England, you apply to Student Finance England for the tuition fee loan. Students who live in Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland will receive financial support from the Scottish Government, the Welsh Government or the Northern Ireland Executive (as appropriate).

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<td>Living cost loan</td>
<td>Government</td>
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<td>Tuition fee loan</td>
<td>Government</td>
<td>£9,000 (or total cost of tuition fee)</td>
<td>UK and EU home fee-paying students (full-time and part-time)</td>
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Students normally resident within the EU, but outside the UK, who meet the eligibility criteria will be able to apply for the tuition fee loan, although generally they will not be eligible for support for living costs. For full information on how to apply, please visit www.gov.uk/student-finance/who-qualifies

The tuition fee loan is not assessed on household income. Repayments will commence the April after you graduate and once you are earning over £21,000 per year. If you are not earning over £21,000 a year, you will not make any repayments.

Part-time students
If you are studying part-time, you can apply for a tuition fee loan and you will not have to pay for your course up front*. You will not generally be eligible for the living cost loan. Part-time students sometimes start repayments while they are still studying. See ‘Repayments’ on p12 for details.

*as long as it is your first degree and you are studying at least 25% of a full-time course.

Living cost loan
Living cost loans are available to eligible students. This loan is to help with costs such as food, accommodation and travel. The maximum loan available for those who live away from home and study at a university outside of London is £5,740. A loan of up to £4,565 is available if you live at home.

### SUMMARY OF GOVERNMENT FUNDING

**For students living away from home**

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**For students living at home**

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The amount of living cost loan for which you may be eligible will depend on:
- your household income
- if you are living away from home
- if you are living at home.

You can apply for a living cost loan for each year of study.

Living cost grants
Grants are also available to assist with living costs and these do not have to be repaid. If your household income is below £25,000, you will be entitled to a full grant of £3,387. If your household income is between £25,000 and £42,620, you will be entitled to a grant of between £3,387 and £50.

Further information on tuition fee loans and living cost loans and grants: www.gov.uk/student-finance

Repayments
Once you have left university, you will only start to repay your loans when you are earning over £21,000 per year. The tuition fee loan and the living cost loan are added together and paid off as one. It is repaid through the income tax system so the government will automatically take it from your salary.

If you have been studying part-time, you will begin to pay off your loan from the April four years after your course started, or the April after you leave your studies, whichever is sooner. You could therefore begin paying off your loan before you complete your course (if you are earning over £21,000 per year).

What you will pay back
The threshold from when you begin to pay back your loans has been set at £21,000. The threshold has also been designed to rise in line with average earnings.

Repayments are linked to earnings, not the amount of money borrowed. You repay 9% of your income above £21,000, no matter how much money you have borrowed via the tuition fee loan and living cost loan.

How much interest you will pay
The amount of interest you are charged depends on the rate of inflation. While you are studying and up to the point you are liable to repay, you will be charged the rate of inflation, the Retail Price Index, (RPI) plus 3%. Once you are liable to repay, you will be charged as follows:
- the rate of inflation if you are earning below £21,000
- the rate of inflation and up to 3% on a gradual scale if you earn between £21,000-£41,000
- the rate of inflation plus 3% if you earn over £41,000.

How long will it take to pay off?
The length of time it takes you to pay off your loan depends on how much you earn – if you earn more, you will pay off your loan more quickly. If your salary falls below £21,000 per year, your payments would stop. If the loan is not paid off after 30 years, any amount remaining will be written off.

Further information
At our Student Finance web pages, you can find out more about funding your studies and use our budget calculator to estimate your living costs. See: www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student

Example repayments

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UNIVERSITY FUNDING

At Kent, we believe that all students who can benefit from our courses should be able to come to the University. We have committed £6 million towards supporting new students and we will continue to support and encourage students who have a desire to learn.

We offer a generous financial support package for eligible students who start at Kent in 2015. We also offer a £2,000 scholarship in recognition of academic excellence, as well as generous scholarships for achievement in sport and music.

All scholarships are subject to continued satisfactory academic progress.

Kent’s financial support package
Kent has a £6,000 financial support package of £2,000 cash per year for eligible students across three years of study (or four where applicable). The Kent financial support package does not have to be repaid.

Who is eligible?
Full-time undergraduate students, who normally live in England, with a combined household income of £42,620 per year or less, who satisfy a range of other socio-economic criteria and commence their studies from September 2015.

Part-time students are also eligible for a pro rata amount of the full-time package provided they meet all the eligibility criteria. Read the full criteria at www.kent.ac.uk/fees

How to apply
Most students will automatically be considered for the package, for exceptions please see our funding page www.kent.ac.uk/fees

The Kent Scholarship for Academic Excellence
At Kent, we recognise, encourage and reward excellence. We know that you will have worked exceptionally hard to achieve the qualifications needed to secure your place at Kent and we have established the Kent Scholarship for Academic Excellence to reward your efforts.

The scholarship is open to all students (UK, EU and International) and is worth £2,000 a year. It is renewed on an annual basis, subject to good academic progress.

Who is eligible?
It will be awarded to any applicant who achieves the A level grades, or alternative equivalent qualifications, specified in the table on the following web page: www.kent.ac.uk/excellence

Your three A levels can include General Studies or Critical Thinking. We may also accept particular combinations of awards, see the website for details. You must also have satisfied your conditions of entry to the University.

How to apply
There is no application form to complete. If you have achieved the necessary grades, your scholarship will be confirmed to you by email in September 2015.

Further information
www.kent.ac.uk/excellence

Partner Scholarships
Partner Scholarships of £1,000 a year for each year of study, subject to good academic progress, are offered by the University to encourage local students to continue in higher education and are available to pupils from partner schools and colleges.

Who is eligible?
You can apply for a Partner Scholarship if you attend one of the University’s Partner Schools or Colleges and you have applied to the University of Kent for a full-time undergraduate programme.

Further information
www.kent.ac.uk/secondary/scholarships-and-funding

The Student Ambassador Stipend
Student Ambassador Stipends have been created for students who have an interest in becoming involved in outreach work during their undergraduate programme. Successful applicants receive an award of £1,000 per year alongside an exclusive programme of training and work experiences designed to enhance their employability skills.
Who is eligible?
The stipends are available to applicants from the University’s partner schools and colleges including members of the Kent and Medway Progression Federation.

Further information
www.kent.ac.uk/secondary/scholarships-and-funding

Study Abroad Scholarships
This scholarship is for UK and EU students who are spending either a full academic year or a term studying abroad, as an integral part of their degree. The scholarship, worth £2,000, is only available during your year abroad. For those spending less than an academic year abroad, the scholarship is paid on a pro rata basis.

Who is eligible?
You must have made an application to the University of Kent through UCAS for a full-time undergraduate course, which includes a year abroad. You should have attained, or be expected to attain, a minimum of AAB or equivalent.

How to apply
You need to complete the online application form, which includes an essay of 750-1,000 words on ‘Why I wish to study abroad as part of my Kent degree, and how this will help me in my future career’.

Further information
www.kent.ac.uk/sascholarships

Work-Study Scheme
The University of Kent Work-Study Scheme is an opportunity to gain intensive skills development training and paid employment alongside your studies. This programme is open to a limited number of students who are in receipt of the full University bursary.

Further information
www.kent.ac.uk/employability/working/students/work-study.html

Gurkha Scholarship for Study
The University recognises our responsibility to the large Nepalese community that has settled in Kent and to the Gurkha regiments based in the county. One scholarship is available annually covering tuition fees for one year (renewable for the duration of the programme of study, subject to satisfactory academic progress).

The successful applicant will be willing to act as an ambassador for the University, their subject and faculty and attend University events when requested, if not in conflict with either course attendance or classes being in session.

Who is eligible?
• Serving or former members of Gurkha brigades located in Kent (The Royal Gurkha Rifles and The Queen’s Gurkha Engineers) and their dependants. Priority will be given to those wounded in conflict and their dependants.

• Undergraduate applicants must have received and accepted (as their first choice) an offer for full-time undergraduate study at Kent for 2015.
• Applicants must demonstrate financial need.
• Home/EU and international applicants. International applicants must present appropriate immigration documentation showing that they are able to legally attend the University of Kent for the course on which they are registering.

Further information
www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/gurkha.html

Barbara Harris Scholarship
A generous donation has been received by the University of Kent in memory of Barbara Harris, the first bursar of Eliot College. The gift provides two scholarships worth £1,000 each for each year of study (renewable on an annual basis, subject to good academic progress). The £1,000 will be paid direct to students – £500 at the end of December each year and £500 at the end of March each year.

Who is eligible?
Applicants must:
• be a UK resident classed as a ‘Home’ student for fees purposes
• have studied at a UK state secondary school in Kent
• permanently reside in the postcode areas of CT1 to CT21 or CT50

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• have achieved a minimum of two As and one B at A level (or equivalent)
• have been made an offer to study at Kent on one of a specific list of full-time undergraduate degree courses starting in September 2015 (the start date cannot be deferred).

Further information
www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/undergraduate/barbara-harris.html

Martin Cook Fund
A generous donation has been received by the University of Kent in memory of Martin Cook, an alumnus who studied here for his first degree. He worked in the public sector as a council planning officer and his many interests included politics, music, railways and history. The purpose of the gift is to help support one full-time undergraduate student in the humanities.

The selected scholar will receive £1,000 per year for the duration of their studies, (normally 3 or 4 years) subject to satisfactory academic progress.

Who is eligible?
• All full-time applicants who are UK residents classed as ‘Home’ students for fees purposes.
• Applicants must have accepted a place on a humanities undergraduate course at the University of Kent starting in September 2015 by the UCAS deadline of 7 May 2015.

• Applicants must obtain a minimum of AAB from three A Levels or equivalent, and must fulfil the normal entry requirements for their course.
• Applicants must demonstrate financial need and satisfy a range of socio-economic criteria.
• Applicants must be willing to act as an ambassador for the University, their subject and faculty and attend University events when requested, if not in conflict with either course attendance or classes being in session.
• Current students at the University of Kent are not eligible to apply.

Further information
www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/undergraduate/martincook-fund.html

University Sports Scholarships
The University of Kent is committed to delivering sporting excellence and is proud to offer scholarships to students with outstanding sporting ability. The sports scholarship programme is led by double Olympian Mel Clewlow.

Kent Sport will work with those awarded a scholarship in areas such as strength and conditioning, nutrition, and psychology to help their overall development.

University general sports scholarships
The University supports numerous awards from £250 to £5,000. You must demonstrate a high level of performance and a commitment to your chosen sport. The minimum level considered is county standard and scholarships are usually allocated to those competing...
in national sports as well as representing the University.

**The J&K Huntley Scholarship (Cricket)**

This scholarship is worth up to £2,500 per year and is offered in partnership with Kent County Cricket Club. Applicants must be willing to register and play for the county cricket club.

**Rugby scholarships**

In partnership with Canterbury Rugby Club, the University offers a scholarship for rugby of up to £2,000 per year. The recipient must be a 1st team player at Canterbury Rugby Club and play for the University in the British Universities Sports Association Tournament. The selection for this award is made by Canterbury Rugby Club.

**Hockey scholarships**

The University offers hockey scholarships of up to £2,000 in partnership with Canterbury Men’s and Ladies’ Hockey Clubs, and Maidstone Hockey Club. Successful candidates are expected to represent both the University and one of the clubs’ first teams.

**Alumni scholarships**

The University of Kent, in partnership with the Kent Alumni, offers £1,000 per annum to sportsmen/women in any sport who excel in their field and are committed to University sport.

**Further information**

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

**University Music Scholarships**

**Patron: Dame Anne Evans**

The University of Kent recognises the role that music and culture plays in the development of the individual and the benefits cultural activities bring to the wider University community. It offers Music Performance Scholarships of up to £5,000 each year to talented instrumentalists and singers. The scholarship is intended to encourage excellence and development in music performance and includes instrumental/vocal tuition with experienced teachers. Around 15 scholarships are awarded to new applicants each year.

In return, recipients are expected to make a major contribution to the musical life of the University. Scholarships will normally be allocated only to those students whose musical interests and talents can be supported within the University community.

**Further information**

[www.kent.ac.uk/music/scholarships.html](http://www.kent.ac.uk/music/scholarships.html)

**Sponsored awards**

We have a number of scholarships supported by generous donations from donors to the University. These scholarships are awarded for a range of different criteria and you are encouraged to review them to check your eligibility.

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**KENT’S LOYALTY SCHEME**

Kent offers a 10% discount on the first year’s tuition fees if your parents or siblings have studied for degrees at Kent or if you have graduated from Kent and are returning to take a privately funded full-time degree at the University. Spouses/civil partners who register for degree programmes at the same time, or where study overlaps, and at least one tuition fee is privately sponsored, are entitled to one discount of 10% on the first year’s tuition fees, which may be payable to either spouse/civil partner or shared equally between them.

**Further information and application procedure**

[www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees/loyaltydiscount.html](http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees/loyaltydiscount.html)
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<td>Kent Scholarship for Academic</td>
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<td>Student Ambassador Stipend</td>
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<td>Applicants must have a combined household income of £42,620 or less and satisfy a range of other socio-economic criteria.</td>
<td>Most students will automatically be considered for the package however, for exceptions, please see our funding page, <a href="http://www.kent.ac.uk/fees">www.kent.ac.uk/fees</a></td>
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<td>Applicants must achieve AAA at A level (or specified equivalents; see p14 for further details).</td>
<td>Students who meet the eligibility criteria will automatically receive the award, please see <a href="http://www.kent.ac.uk/excellence">www.kent.ac.uk/excellence</a></td>
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<td>Firmly accept an offer from Kent before 14 July 2015. See web page for full criteria.</td>
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<td>Accept a place on a Kent full-time humanities course and meet other criteria.</td>
<td>Students who meet the eligibility criteria will automatically be selected. See <a href="http://www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/undergraduate/martincook-fund.html">www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/undergraduate/martincook-fund.html</a></td>
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<td>Interviews will be held until the end of Week 1 at which point an audition will be arranged.</td>
<td>Once you receive an offer of a place at Kent, complete the application form at <a href="http://www.kent.ac.uk/music/scholarships.html">www.kent.ac.uk/music/scholarships.html</a></td>
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The University has a long tradition of welcoming international students. The table, right, outlines some of the generous scholarships available for international students beginning their studies at undergraduate level.

International students are also eligible for the Kent Scholarship for Academic Excellence (p14), as well as sports and music scholarships (p16-17), Kent’s loyalty scheme (p17), some of our sponsored awards (p17) and academic school scholarships.

See www.kent.ac.uk/ugfunding for further information and additional funding opportunities.

For further information about the scholarships listed in the table, please see www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/undergraduate/international

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<td>Hong Kong Alumni Undergraduate Scholarship</td>
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<td>Nationals of any country paying international fees.</td>
<td>You are asked to submit an original essay of between 750-1,000 words. Closing date 31 May prior to academic year of entry.</td>
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<td>All students. Applicants must achieve AAA at A level (or specified equivalents; see p14 for details).</td>
<td>Students who meet the eligibility criteria will automatically receive this award. <a href="http://www.kent.ac.uk/excellence">www.kent.ac.uk/excellence</a></td>
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<td>Holders of a valid passport issued by the Trinidad and Tobago government. See website, left.</td>
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<td>Academically outstanding students from mainland China and Hong Kong.</td>
<td>At the point of application for the scholarship, candidates are asked to submit an original essay of between 750-1,000 words.</td>
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<td>Final-year students from overseas commonwealth countries who have encountered unforeseen financial difficulties.</td>
<td>Applications must be accompanied by an academic reference from Kent. Successful students should write a letter of thanks to the trustees.</td>
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<td>Overseas fee-paying applicants studying specific EDA undergraduate courses.</td>
<td>Overseas fee-paying applicants are automatically considered for this scholarship by a selection panel upon receipt of their application through UCAS.</td>
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<td>US students apply for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Kent uses this to assess your eligibility.</td>
<td>For further information, please see <a href="http://www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/foreignloans/usa">www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/foreignloans/usa</a></td>
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<td>For details on eligibility, Canadian students should visit <a href="http://www.canlearn.ca/eng/loans_grants/index.shtml">www.canlearn.ca/eng/loans_grants/index.shtml</a></td>
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**Recruitment and Admissions Office**
The Registry, University of Kent, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NZ
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F: +44 (0)1227 827077

**International Development**
The Registry, University of Kent, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NZ
T: +44 (0)1227 824904
E: international@kent.ac.uk

**Kent Union Student Advice Centre**
Mandela Building, University of Kent, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NW
T: +44 (0)1227 827724 (advice line)
E: advice@kent.ac.uk
www.kentunion.co.uk/advice

**Greenwich and Kent Students’ Unions Together (GK Unions)**
Pilkington Building, North Road, Chatham Maritime, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JB
T: +44 (0)1634 888855 (advice line)
T: +44 (0)1634 888989 (appointments only)
E: advice@gkunions.co.uk
www.gkunions.co.uk

**Financial Aid Office (for Kent’s Financial Support Package)**
The Registry, University of Kent, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NZ
T: +44 (0)1227 823488/823851/824876
F: +44 (0)1227 827024
E: financialaid@kent.ac.uk
www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student

**Scholarships and Foreign Loans Office**
The Registry, University of Kent, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NZ
E: scholarships@kent.ac.uk
E: foreignloans@kent.ac.uk

**Government student funding**
Student Finance England
T: 0300 100 0607
www.gov.uk/studentfinance

**Disclaimer**
All Government funding information is correct at the time of going to press, but is subject to change.

As student funding varies according to the circumstances of each individual, the general advice given in this booklet may not cover your particular circumstances. If you would like further help or personal advice, you can get in touch with our student advice centres in Canterbury and Medway. You can also get up-to-date information from www.gov.uk/studentfinance

All the figures quoted in this booklet are for the 2014/15 academic year, unless otherwise stated.
Terms and conditions: the University reserves the right to make variations to the content and delivery of courses and other services, or to discontinue courses and other services, if such action is reasonably considered to be necessary. If the University discontinues any course, it will endeavour to provide a suitable alternative. To register for a programme of study, all students must agree to abide by the University Regulations (available online at: www.kent.ac.uk/regulations).

Data protection: for administrative, academic and health and safety reasons, the University needs to process information about its students. Full registration as a student of the University is subject to your consent to process such information.
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