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Kent is ranked among the top 20 universities in the UK in *The Guardian University Guide 2014.*
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Choosing a university is a big decision for all new students and their parents. It is an exciting time and students are often thinking about everything from the social life to courses that they might enjoy studying.

But as a parent or guardian, you probably have some questions of your own. For instance, which UK universities offer the best education? How does the application process work? Will my son or daughter find it easy to settle in? How much will it cost? What is life like at university? What’s the best way to keep in touch?

We aim to answer many of your questions in this parents’ guide to Kent. We take you through the most important steps, from choosing a course to graduation. And if you need some more information, you can contact us by email, call us on the phone, or meet one of the team in person. We are happy to help, please turn to p48 for details.

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FOLLOW US ON
In 1965 the University of Kent opened to welcome its first arrivals – now known as the ‘first 500’ they became a close-knit community, all founding members of Eliot College, at that time the only college, on the University’s sole campus, Canterbury.

Like its students, Kent had its own ambitions for the future. As one of the pioneering universities built in the sixties, it belonged to an era of growth and change. Kent was, then as now, known for its teaching innovation and excellent staff-student relations; its vision for growth took its first bold steps in this early decade in becoming an inclusive, international and inspiring community.
PRIDE IN OUR PAST
Five decades later, the University of Kent is a top 20 university. Known as the UK’s European university, we have grown from 500 to 20,000 students from 140 countries, from one college to six, and from a single location to established sites throughout Europe.

From our original Canterbury campus we have expanded within the UK to include a campus in Medway and a centre in Tonbridge, and into Europe with centres in Brussels, Paris, Athens and Rome. We foster a community in which we value global citizenship, ethical thinking and the development and application of new knowledge.

Kent’s 50th anniversary year, starting in September 2014, will be a time of celebration with events to mark our past achievements, our current contributions, and with you – our ‘class of 2014/15’ – our commitment to a truly inspiring future.
INSPIRING YOUR FUTURE
WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY...

Academic excellence
Adina Stroia from Romania is studying for a BA in French.

“Some people thought it was strange that I chose to study French in England but I chose to study here because I liked the content of the course and the approach to learning in the UK. There is a huge range of modules on offer... to a large extent, you can choose your own pathway.

“The lectures we have are stimulating and the lecturers are internationally recognised for their work. They give you lots of support and are easy to get hold of, either in person or via email.”

Inspirational teaching
Cathleen Cybèle from Mauritius is studying for an MSc in Conservation and Rural Development.

“I chose to study in a foreign country to gain specific expertise. The Durrell Institute of Conservation and Ecology (DICE) is globally recognised for its achievements in conservation, with teaching by experts in biodiversity.

“We use up-to-date methodology from both the natural and social sciences, and this will be highly rewarding for my future career.”

Specialist research
Sally Gao from China is studying for a PhD in Electronic Engineering.

“I have been very lucky with my supervisor, Professor Yong Yan, who is a world-class expert and the first IEEE Fellow in the UK in instrumentation and measurement.

“Professor Yong Yan has helped me to become a better researcher. I am inspired by his novel ideas and constructive suggestions. Under his supervision, my confidence has grown through such milestones as my first set of experiments, writing my first research paper and attending my first conference.”
A global outlook
Ritesh Randhir from India is studying for an MA in Creative Writing.

“It’s a lifetime experience that I’m finding very helpful for my writing skills.

“On campus, there’s such a variety of student nationalities. I’m able to interact with students from different countries, with different historical backgrounds and cultures, so I’m learning new things each day.

“Being here in the UK for one year is a major achievement for me, and I’m proud to be at Kent.”

Superb experience
Dilruwa Rajapakse from Sri Lanka is studying for a BA in International Business.

“Kent provides its students with many facilities for their benefit and comfort. The University offers the best accommodation facilities, employability opportunities and extra-curricular activities. For example, as a dancer, the Kent Union societies have always been there to polish my skills.

“Altogether Kent makes its students vibrant, unique and confident individuals who are able to face the challenges of the world.”

A successful future
George Temple from the United States is studying for an MA in English.

“The School of English is made up of a generous and knowledgeable faculty.

“In addition to practical experience working on a literary magazine, Splinter, I’ve learned more about the way poetry and prose are published worldwide. Having this information is invaluable whether I go into publishing or attempt to write ‘full-time’, because it’s recession proof – regardless of the economy, skills that relate to the distribution of information will be required in some context.”
1 The teaching
British universities have a great reputation around the world and most employers will be impressed by a UK degree. So how do you choose from the many universities the UK has to offer?

One way is to look at independent surveys. Here is how Kent fared:
- We were voted 3rd in the UK for overall satisfaction in the most recent National Student Survey (NSS)
- We are ranked 20th in The Guardian University Guide 2014.

Research Assessment Exercise (RAE)
- For research, Kent is in the top 15%. We came 24th out of 159 universities in the UK.

2 The people
Making new friends is what helps any student to feel at home. It is important for a university to be friendly and have a pleasant atmosphere.

Kent’s international students rate us highly for being a friendly, safe and welcoming place. We have a cosmopolitan atmosphere – 23% of our new students come from overseas and 140 nationalities are represented. We help them settle in by putting on special events.

We also have a range of clubs, student societies (including national societies) and sports facilities so our students find it easy to meet people with similar interests. (See p24.)

3 The place
For international students, location is important. Where is the nearest airport? Are there good international rail links? What is the local area like?

The University of Kent is ideally placed. Our UK campuses are in the south-east of England, less than an hour’s train travel from London and within easy reach of Europe. We enjoy a mild climate and have green countryside and beautiful beaches close by.

We also have locations in Brussels, Paris, Athens and Rome. See p38 for details.

4 The support
For peace of mind, you want to be convinced that the university has good support services and can deal with any problems.

Advisers in Kent’s International Development team have a wealth of experience and can help students to settle in. But that’s not all. Our students also have access to religious and spiritual support, study support, medical facilities, IT support, careers advice, English language tuition and help to find volunteering or work opportunities. See p32 for details.
5 The accommodation
For many parents, accommodation is a priority: it needs to be clean, safe, comfortable and reasonably priced.

At Kent, we make life easy. International students at our UK campuses can spend their first year in University accommodation. Our rooms are modern and specially designed for student life – see p40 for more details.

Our UK campuses also have excellent catering facilities – with restaurants serving healthy food at reasonable prices and offering options such as halal and vegetarian food.

6 The future
When your son or daughter leaves university, what does the future hold? While they are studying, are they also preparing for success in their chosen career?

At Kent, our students gain the skills they will need for success after graduation, and we are consistently in the top 20 for graduate starting salaries.

Many of our undergraduate students also gain work experience, through voluntary work or a paid work placement. We also offer study abroad opportunities through our global network of partner institutions. Students taking a Master’s degree have the chance to take a Global Skills Award, which helps them to gain the skills that are useful within a wide range of careers.

Before graduation, our students are able to get careers advice and help in applying for jobs. After leaving Kent, they become part of a successful graduate network with professional links around the world. See p28 for details.
At Kent we offer degrees in a huge range of subjects. We also offer many levels of tuition to suit the needs of all students.

Kent has a reputation for excellent teaching. All of our courses are of a high standard and there is a wide choice of subjects. Within many of our degrees, we also offer extra options such as work experience or the chance to study in another country.

**Undergraduate degrees**

Students taking their first degree at Kent will be studying for what is called an ‘undergraduate degree’ or ‘Bachelor’s degree’. Kent has a wide variety to choose from. Here are some things to think about when choosing an undergraduate degree.

**An interesting subject**

It is important for students to pick a subject that they are going to find enjoyable. This can make their studies more interesting, which helps them to be successful students and to get a good degree.

For students who are trying to decide between subjects, it is often possible to combine two subjects in a joint degree, widening their studies.

**Career options**

When thinking about a future career, it is useful to focus on the skills that the course is likely to offer. These could include communication skills, analytical skills, computing skills, foreign languages, scientific expertise, business or financial knowledge, or an understanding of society and politics.

These skills can provide entry into a range of careers. Also some degrees, such as accounting, computing, law, architecture, actuarial science and many more, give students specialised professional skills.

**Study in another country**

Many degrees at Kent offer students the chance to study in another country as well as the UK. This is standard within a language degree (French, German, Hispanic Studies or Italian) where the course is taught in the language studied. It is also possible to go to a country where the teaching is in English – we have partners in many countries including Argentina, China, the Czech Republic, Finland, Hong Kong, Japan, Malaysia, the Netherlands, Peru, and the United States.
A year in industry
We have strong links with international employers and many of our degrees offer a year in industry, which can be taken in the UK or another country. Our students have gained experience with global companies such as IBM, Microsoft, Intel and British Airways.

Length of study
Most standard degrees at Kent take three years to complete. Degrees with a year in industry or a year studying in another country (see above) take four years. It is also possible to take a three-year degree at Kent, spending one semester in another country.

If a student wants to study at Kent for a shorter period of time, there are specially designed programmes for them (see Junior Year Abroad on p12).

Location
Our undergraduate degrees are based on our campuses at Canterbury or Medway. Both are in the south-east of England and close to London. For details of the facilities on offer, see p34-37.

Entry requirements
Entry requirements vary for different degree subjects. To find out how our entry requirements relate to the education system in your country, see www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent/country The site also gives details of our English language requirements.

If your son or daughter wants to study a degree at Kent but does not have the entry qualifications, we offer courses that can help. (See foundation programmes and English language courses, p12).

More information
There are many ways to get more information on our courses, including on our website at: www.kent.ac.uk/courses

See p14 for a selection of the information and advice Kent offers.
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Other programmes

Foundation programmes
A foundation programme provides the entry requirements for an undergraduate degree. Students learn about their academic subject and develop study skills. If English is not their first language, they also have tuition to develop their English language skills. Passing the programme at a sufficient level means the student is guaranteed a place on their chosen course at Kent.

Pre-Master’s Graduate Diploma (GDip)
Students who do not have the entry requirements for a postgraduate Master’s degree may be able to gain entry via a Pre-Master’s Graduate Diploma. Students learn more about their academic subject and develop study skills. If English is not their first language, they also have tuition to develop their English language skills. Passing the programme at a sufficient level guarantees a place on to specific Master’s degrees.

English language courses
Our degree courses require a certain level of English language skills. If these are not present, we can help students to gain these skills on our Pre-sessional Courses in English for Academic Purposes. Satisfactory achievement on one of these courses can be used to meet Kent’s English language entry requirements in place of other external language examinations. Please see www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/pre-sessional for the range of courses available.

Junior Year Abroad
At undergraduate level, overseas students can join a course at Kent for a year (or sometimes for a semester) as part of their degree. This is called a Junior Year Abroad.

These studies at Kent count towards the student’s final degree results and can also lead to a diploma from the University of Kent. This allows the student to gain a UK qualification.

For those students who do not have a high standard of English, a JYA English PLUS degree is a good option. This combines English language tuition with academic studies at undergraduate degree level.

Choosing a postgraduate degree
If your son or daughter already has an undergraduate degree and wants to go on to a higher level of study, we have an excellent range of postgraduate degrees.

For a career at a higher level, having a postgraduate degree is often vital. When choosing a course, it’s important to look at three things. What knowledge will be gained on the course? What skills is the course likely to develop? How will these be of benefit to the student’s future career?

Here are some things to bear in mind when choosing a postgraduate degree at Kent.

Academic reputation
The reputation of the academic staff is extremely important at postgraduate level. At Kent, our teaching is informed by world-leading research, with eight of our subject areas in the UK’s top ten. Overall, Kent is rated in the top 15% of UK universities for its research (in the most recent Research Assessment Exercise).
Taught or research
There are two types of postgraduate degree – taught and research.

• In a taught degree, students follow a standard path of study. The teaching comes from lectures, group discussions, sessions with a tutor and, for some courses, practical workshops.

• Most research degrees focus on independent study. Every student works on a personal research project under the guidance of a supervisor who is an expert in the field. Students receive training in research methods, attend conferences and perform research using our library and IT resources.

Length of study
Students on a taught Master’s degree (MA or MSc) usually study for 12 months. These courses usually start in September.

At Kent, it is possible to gain a PhD in just three years of study. The programme may start in September or at other times of the year.

Entry requirements
A good undergraduate degree is needed (or a qualification at a similar level). Many postgraduate degrees build on the knowledge gained within an undergraduate degree. However, it may be possible to take a taught programme in a completely new subject. Please check individual courses for details.

If your son or daughter wants to study a postgraduate degree at Kent but does not have the entry qualifications, we offer courses that can help. For more details, see Pre-Master’s Graduate Diploma and English language courses, left.

Location
We offer postgraduate degrees at our locations in Canterbury, Medway, Brussels, Paris, Athens and Rome. For more details on locations, please see p34-39.
There are many ways to find out more about a course. Here are some of the most useful options.

**Online**

The University of Kent has a website that is designed to help international students with all kinds of queries and also has links to videos and a virtual tour.

We are also present on Twitter and Facebook, which gives students the chance to ask questions and see what our current students think.

**Talk to Kent staff**

It’s often useful to talk to an adviser. You may have questions that you want to ask about our courses or about life as a student. At Kent, we aim to give families and students all the support they need. Our International Development team has a wealth of experience and you can meet members of the team at fairs and exhibitions around the world. You can also contact the office by email or telephone. See p48 for details.

**Visit the UK**

If possible, it is useful to visit the University. We have special Open Days and Visit Days, or you can arrange your own visit. For options, see p48.

**In your own country**

If you want to talk to someone from your own country (who speaks your native language), we have official representatives in many countries around the world. These advisers can also help you with course enquiries, the application process and with any visa queries. For details, see p48.
Read all about it!
All of the publications listed below are available online. Many are also available as printed publications, simply go to our website, request a copy of the publication you want and it will be posted to you.

All courses
Our International Student Guide is for international students considering any kind of course. You can download a copy from www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent or order a copy by post.

Undergraduate degrees
Kent’s Undergraduate Prospectus is available online at www.kent.ac.uk/ug or you can order a printed copy by post.

To download more details on a particular degree subject: www.kent.ac.uk/courses/undergraduate

Short-term study
Our leaflet Junior Year Abroad (JYA) has details on short-term programmes for undergraduate students who wish to spend a year or a semester at Kent. See www.kent.ac.uk/courses/short-term or order by post.

Foundation programmes
Foundation Programmes is a guide to the courses that provide the entry qualifications for an undergraduate degree. To download, go to www.kent.ac.uk/courses/foundation/prospectus.html or order by post.

Graduate diplomas
International Graduate Diplomas is a guide to the courses that provide the entry qualifications for a Master’s degree. To download a copy, go to www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/premasters-gdips or order by post.

Postgraduate degrees
The Graduate Prospectus is for all postgraduate students. It provides information on degrees, facilities and practical information. See www.kent.ac.uk/pg or order by post.

Brussels School of International Studies provides information on studying at our centre in Brussels. See www.kent.ac.uk/brussels or order by post. University of Kent at Paris provides information on studying at our centre in Paris. See www.kent.ac.uk/paris or order by post.

English language tuition
Pre-sessional Courses – English for Academic Purposes covers our English language courses. To download a copy, go to www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/pre-sessional or order a leaflet by post.

Go abroad
Many of Kent’s undergraduate students take the opportunity to spend a year or a term at one of our partner universities around the world. For details, see www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad or order the Go Abroad leaflet by post.

Accommodation at Kent
For details, see www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation for information on the accommodation available.

Getting Started
Getting Started provides advice on preparing to study in the UK and what happens during the first few weeks after arrival. See www.kent.ac.uk/gettingstarted/international
How do students make an application? When do they need to apply? Here we talk you through the basics of the process.

**Undergraduate degrees**

In the UK, we have a national application system called UCAS. Students choose up to five university courses in the UK that they are interested in and then apply by completing the form at www.ucas.com/apply

- Students from the European Union should apply by 15 January 2014.
- Students from outside the European Union should aim for 15 January 2014 to be sure of consideration. However, if places are left, Kent may consider applications up to 30 June 2014.

If the application is successful, the student receives an offer from Kent. There are two types of offer: An ‘unconditional offer’ means that the student has been given a place on the course. A ‘conditional offer’ is based on conditions, such as examination results and the level of English language skills.

Late applications are also possible. A process called ‘clearing’ takes place in August. During clearing, Kent lists all of the degrees that still have places left and this can give students another chance to apply.

**Foundation degrees**

Students can apply via UCAS – the process of application is the same as for an undergraduate degree (above). Students can also apply directly to Kent (for details see www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways). In some countries, our overseas representatives can make an application on a student’s behalf.

**Postgraduate degrees**

Students should apply using our online form at www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply

Often the University requires documents such as certificates for academic and English language qualifications, and references. These should be sent at the same time as the online application is made.

There is no fixed deadline but applications should be made as early as possible to ensure that places are still available. Students need to leave time to apply for visas (if needed). They also need to have an offer of a place in order to apply for University accommodation by the 31 July deadline.

HELP WITH APPLICATIONS

If you need advice, please contact our International Development team or one of our overseas representatives.

See p48 for details or go to www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent
Short-term study
For the Junior Year Abroad, the deadline for applications is 30 June 2014.

For JYA English PLUS, the deadline for applications is 15 February 2014.

To apply, the student needs certificates of examination results, including those for English language qualifications, a personal statement, as well as the agreement of their home university. Some home universities prefer to make the application for the student via their own 'study abroad' office. If this is not the case, students make their own application via www.kent.ac.uk/courses/short-term

English language tuition
Kent offers several Pre-sessional Courses in English for Academic Purposes. For all of these courses, it is recommended that students apply as early as possible. Please see www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/pre-sessional for details and to apply online.

FIND OUT ABOUT FUNDING
This is a good time to find out about possible funding. Kent has a generous range of scholarships and bursaries. See p46 for details or go to: www.kent.ac.uk/courses/funding
Your son or daughter can apply to live in the University’s own accommodation.

International students who plan to study at Canterbury or Medway are offered a room in University accommodation for their first year of study (providing they apply before the deadline of 31 July). Students taking a foundation year are offered accommodation for their first two years of study.

This makes moving to the UK a simple process. When your son or daughter arrives at the beginning of their course, they can move in straightaway.

Students don’t have to share bedrooms – they can all have their own modern room with a study desk and free internet access. Students are responsible for cleaning their own living areas and can do their laundry using the washing machines and dryers available within the University facilities. For full details, see p40.

Undergraduate students at Canterbury have a choice of accommodation. The main options to consider are below.

- Some rooms have their own en-suite bathroom; others have a shared bathroom.
- Some rooms are in self-contained apartments (or houses) with a shared kitchen for cooking. Others do not have a kitchen but come with a meal allowance and a kitchenette where students can make snacks and hot drinks.
- The length of stay can vary. Will your son or daughter be able to travel home for the winter and spring vacations? If this is not possible, you need to choose accommodation that lasts for the full academic year (39 weeks).

Postgraduate students at Canterbury have accommodation in modern shared apartments, available for 51 weeks of the year.

At Medway, the University offers accommodation in its shared apartments. Each room has its own bathroom and each apartment has a shared kitchen. All are offered for 39 weeks.

How to apply

When your son or daughter is offered a place at Kent, full details of accommodation are provided. It is possible to ask for single-sex living quarters, but a request must be made as early as possible.

Undergraduate students should apply for accommodation as soon as they have a conditional or unconditional offer. Postgraduate students can apply for accommodation once they have the offer of a place at Kent. Students can apply for University accommodation online at www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation

Brussels, Paris, Athens and Rome

Students in Brussels, Paris, Athens and Rome live in private rented accommodation. They will receive help in finding somewhere suitable to live. Please see p40 for details.
What preparations do students need to make before coming to Kent? Here are some general suggestions to help with the process.

Before their arrival at Kent, students receive regular advice on what they need to do to prepare for their trip. The most important aspects of this are listed below.

Apply for funding
This is a good time to consider possible funding. We have a range of scholarships available for talented students who are doing well in their studies, or in music or sport. See p46 for details.

Set up a bank account
Most students will want to set up a UK bank account. For details of the documents a student needs in order to set up an account, please go to your preferred bank's website.

Book welcome services
Students coming to study at Canterbury or Medway can pre-book our welcome events and our airport collection service (for those arriving at Heathrow or Gatwick).

Advance payment
We have an online facility that allows students to pay tuition fees and accommodation in advance and get a 2% discount. For details of the various payment options, please see www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student

Apply for a visa
Students who are not of European Union nationality may need a student visa to study in the UK. It's important to make sure there is enough time for the application to be processed – see www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk for more details.

Prepare documentation
The University can provide advice on many aspects of preparing the documentation that students need to bring to the UK.

Students who are not of European Union nationality need to bring the following to the UK:
• University of Kent official letter of acceptance
• accommodation agreement
• valid passport with any necessary visas
• health documents, if applicable
• financial guarantee document.

Students who are of European Union nationality need to bring the following with them to the UK:
• University of Kent official letter of acceptance
• accommodation agreement
• valid passport (no visa is needed).

Things to pack
Students need to bring a range of clothing with them, including some warm clothing. Some students also like to bring their own laptop, which gives them the option to study in their room.

Please bear in mind that whatever students need, including household items, can be purchased close to any of our University locations. This reduces the weight of luggage and makes travel easier. Valuable items should be covered by travel insurance.

Planning a budget
At this stage, it’s worth planning a budget – here is a rough guide to what a typical student at Kent spends per week. (All figures are approximate.)
• Food: £30 to £60 per week. There are many good-value food outlets on campus, selling meals and snacks. Students who have cooking facilities can also buy food at the nearby supermarkets or from the campus shop. Please note that some University accommodation includes a meal allowance to use on campus. See p42 for details.
• Clothes and laundry: £15 to £45 per week.
• Social life: £25 to £65 per week.
• Mobile phones: £5 to £15 per week for UK calls. Students can choose from a range of mobile
phone companies in the UK. The cost of international calls varies according to the country – many students prefer to stay in touch with home using the internet service Skype (see p25).

• Television licence: £2.80 per week. This is needed for students who wish to have their own television set or watch live television on their computer.

• Insurance: about £5 per week. Students who are living in University accommodation are insured for basic personal items. However, this does not include items such as laptops, televisions and mobile phones. Insurance for these items can be organised on arrival.

• Books and study materials: £10 to £15 per week.

• Other costs: students should allow £5 to £15 per week for irregular or unplanned costs.

• Local travel: most students spend up to £10 per week on local travel close to the University.

• Travel home for the vacations.

To help you work out a personal budget, we provide an online calculator at www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/livingcosts.html
The first few weeks at university are all about making new friends, exploring the area and starting on a course of study. Here is what a student can expect.

Kent is a wonderful place to study and arriving at the University is always an exciting experience. We help our new students to meet friends, start their new course and make practical arrangements.

Welcome Week
To help students settle into the UK, we hold a special Welcome Week in September so they have the chance to relax and meet other people.

The Welcome Week includes a greeting at the airport. We also hold a special dinner for international students and take them on trips to see local tourist attractions. During this week, there are also campus tours, themed evenings and sporting activities for all students. There are also lots of student volunteers and staff on hand to help them.

For students whose programmes start in January or May, we also provide welcome events.

Beginning their studies
Academic schools often host events to prepare students for their course. Reading lists and timetables are given out and there are library tours and introductions to the computing facilities.

Our courses are carefully designed to start at the right pace for students. However, if a student has any problems it is easy to ask for help: the teaching style at Kent is friendly and approachable.

Practical matters
Students are guided through all of the practical things that they need to do. These range from getting their student card to picking up their room keys. If students have any problems, they simply ask a member of staff or one of the student helpers for advice.

Shopping and banking
Students may also need to set up a UK bank account. This can take up to two weeks, but we don’t advise students to travel with large amounts of cash. Travellers’ cheques (in sterling) are more practical and can be cashed at local banks.

All of Kent’s locations have local shopping centres within easy reach. This gives students the option to buy household goods on arrival.

DID YOU KNOW?
Kent Union, the students’ union, runs an International Buddy Scheme, where new international students are matched with current international students to help them adjust to their local environment and settle in.
Here is a quick guide to life at the University and some good ways to stay in touch.

Once the students have settled in, what happens next? For most students, life is busy and exciting with many new things to learn and enjoy.

**Studying at Kent**

Undergraduates have lectures as well as group sessions with a tutor. These can be discussions or practical workshops. Students are marked on their written work, practical work and examinations at the end of the year. The marks that they get in the first year of their degree do not count towards their final results.

Students on a taught postgraduate course have small group discussions, lectures, sessions with a tutor and, for some courses, practical workshops. Students are marked on their written or practical work, and sometimes have an examination. They also have the opportunity to gain a Global Skills Award which provides an insight into global issues and improves their employment-related skills.

Postgraduate students taking a research degree start work on their project under supervision. Students receive training, attend conferences and do independent research into their subject.

**Study support**

All students at Kent have a personal tutor who can help them if they have any problems. There is also a Student Learning Advisory Service for extra tuition on everything from research skills to writing essays, preparing for exams and presentation skills.

**English tuition**

While studying in the UK, students can have up to two hours of free English lessons a week (if English is not their first language). Our language support received a very high satisfaction rating of 90% in a recent i-graduate International Student Barometer survey.

**Social life**

There are plenty of places to make new friends. All of our campuses offer a range of student societies – there are over 100 societies at our Canterbury campus covering everything from music to current affairs (see www.kentunion.co.uk for details). All of our campuses also have good sports facilities and sports teams that students can get involved in.

**Meeting students from home**

One way we support our international students is by setting up email groups so they can contact other students from their home country. There are also many societies for students from specific countries.

**Religious practices**

Kent has chaplains from the Anglican, Buddhist, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, Methodist, Pentecostal and Quaker traditions.
In addition, Kent’s student societies celebrate a wide range of cultural festivals such as Chinese New Year, Thanksgiving and Diwali.

**Part-time work**

Some students boost their funds by taking on part-time work. At Canterbury and Medway, our Jobshops can help them find work on the campus or in the local area.

**Career advice**

At Kent, we have a Careers and Employability Service that can provide expert advice on the international job market. Its services are free to all of our students.

**Keep in touch!**

Most students have mobile phones. These are useful for sending text messages but can be expensive for making international calls, so choose a package carefully. The main providers in the UK are Vodafone, Orange, Virgin, T-Mobile and O2. However, there are also smaller companies that can offer good deals on calls to a specific country.

Students can also use one of the many public telephones on campus. They can pay for the call using cash, credit card or telephone cards (which they can buy at the campus shop).

All students are given an email account and this is often an excellent way to keep in touch. Another possibility is Skype – a free service for those who have access to the internet. If both computers have speakers, you can talk to each other; if both computers have webcams, you can see each other as well.

**THE KENTONE CARD**

The KentOne card can be used instead of cash on campus. It can be topped up with money by using an online facility and this gives you a way to get funds to your son or daughter. The card allows students to purchase goods from the campus shop or from the restaurants, cafés and bars across campus.
When the hard work is over and your son or daughter has gained their degree, we give you the chance to celebrate in style.

Getting a degree is a great achievement and is cause for celebration. Most of our students get excellent degree results, so they can look to the future with confidence.

All students who take part in the ceremony are given two guest tickets. This gives you the chance to be there to celebrate with your son or daughter.

**Impressive setting**
Kent is famous for its graduation ceremonies. Few universities can rival the grandeur of our settings: the ceremonies are held in Canterbury Cathedral or Rochester Cathedral (in Medway). During the ceremony, each graduate walks in a procession through the cathedral and receives a degree certificate.

**Keeping in touch**
Most graduates have happy memories of their time at Kent. They often make friends from around the world and keep in touch with them long after the graduation ceremony.

After the official ceremony, there are events held on campus so you have the chance to meet your son or daughter’s friends as well as their lecturers. Most families also like to have a professional photograph taken while the student is wearing their traditional academic robe.

**Our graduates also keep in touch with other Kent graduates online and through our special reunion events. During 2013, Kent held events in the UK, USA, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore, Korea, Athens and Turkey. For details, see www.kent.ac.uk/alumni**

**TAKE A BREAK**
Many visitors like to combine the graduation event with a short holiday in the UK. The city of Canterbury attracts millions of visitors every year and London is also close by. For more details on local attractions, see www.visitkent.co.uk
10/A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE

We prepare our students for success by developing the right skills and a confident approach to life.

An education from Kent is a passport into many careers and can make a big difference to your son or daughter’s future.

Our employment record is excellent. Of those who responded to an employment survey, 93% of Kent undergraduate students had found a job or study opportunity within six months of getting their degree. Another survey showed that over 90% of Kent’s postgraduate students found a job or further study opportunity within six months.

Here are some of the ways we help our students to develop the right skills and make good career plans.

Career-focused teaching
All of our teaching helps students to gain useful skills for their future career. We focus on good communication as well as the ability to think independently, and academic departments can often provide advice on specialist career paths. The University also runs an innovative ‘Employability Points’ scheme, which rewards student engagement in employability skills training.

Postgraduate students taking a Master’s at Kent can gain a Global Skills Award which improves work-related skills.

We also have a Careers and Employability Service which provides expert advice on the international job market.

Professional experience
Kent encourages students to gain work experience. Many of our degrees offer a paid year in industry or a shorter work placement, which may be in the UK or another country. Students are given support in gaining any required language skills and in finding the work placement.

We have good links with leading international companies such as Sun Microsystems in the USA. Language students often take work placements as teaching assistants in countries such as Spain or France.

Students also gain experience within our own award-winning clinics. These include the Kent IT Clinic, the Sports Injury Clinic and the Kent Law Clinic. There are also many volunteer roles offered via Kent Union Volunteering.
Some students are able to take on a part-time job while they are studying: this can help them to develop skills and try out different areas of employment. Jobshop, a service provided by Kent Union, can help students to find local work opportunities.

**Working after graduation**

Students from the European Union are able to work in the UK for an unlimited period of time after graduation. Some students from outside the European Union may also be able to work in the UK on a post-study work scheme. For more information, see www.ukcisa.org.uk or email our Student Advice Centre at advice@kent.ac.uk

**An international education**

Employers value the added confidence that comes from spending time abroad and a British qualification from a prestigious university is highly regarded around the world. Employers also value skills in English – the language of international business.

A recent i-graduate survey showed that most international employers prefer a graduate with overseas work experience.

In addition, many of the degrees at Kent offer the chance to study in another country as well as the UK. Graduates with this wide international experience are extremely attractive to employers.

**Kent’s graduate network**

Kent graduates have a strong sense of loyalty to the University and many of them choose to stay in touch, by going to our graduate events which are held around the world. These events provide a professional network, allowing Kent graduates to meet each other and make new business contacts. The shared experience of studying at Kent creates a community and can open doors around the world. For more details, see www.kent.ac.uk/alumni
The University of Kent has UK campuses in Canterbury and Medway, as well as postgraduate centres in Brussels, Paris, Athens and Rome. This section gives you more information about these locations and our first-class facilities and resources.
We have a welcoming atmosphere at Kent. Students describe the University as a safe and friendly place, with a great social scene.

Welcome Week
To help students settle in when they arrive, we hold a special Welcome Week in September (at the beginning of the academic year). This includes a greeting at the airport, a special welcome dinner (giving students the chance to meet other international students) and trips to see local tourist attractions. This week takes place before the start of the term’s lectures and seminars so students have time to relax and make friends.

Academic schools host events during Welcome Week to prepare students for their studies. During this week, there are also campus tours, themed evenings and sporting activities for all students.

Students who are arriving to start their programme in January, May, June or August, are greeted at the airport and we hold social events to help them settle in.

Supportive teaching
At Kent we’re proud of our supportive teaching. Our academics are friendly and approachable, and students get high levels of contact time with their tutors and lecturers. Student feedback has helped us to develop well-designed and challenging courses.

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

We also help those students who have English as their second language. While they are studying at Kent, they can have up to two hours of free English lessons a week.

Study resources
All students rely on being able to access a range of information. At Kent we make sure that this process is as easy as possible. Our libraries are well stocked and the most popular books are on short-term loan, which means that students never have to wait too long. Our online resources are excellent too, with a huge range of journals available.
Our UK campuses are located in the south-east of England, which means we have one of the sunniest locations in the country. During the summer, students make the most of this by socialising in the open-air café-bars on campus.

Multicultural university
Kent is a multi-faith university with chaplains from the Anglican, Buddhist, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, Methodist, Pentecostal and Quaker traditions. Kent’s student societies celebrate a wide range of festivals such as Chinese New Year, Thanksgiving and Diwali.

Kent also holds a series of events called WorldFest, which celebrate international culture.

Meet people from home
To create a supportive student network, Kent has set up email groups and a student ‘buddying’ scheme, which allows students to contact other people from their home country. But the support doesn’t end there. Once your son or daughter graduates, we can help them to stay in touch with Kent alumni in their own country, providing a lifelong network of friends and professional contacts.

Technology is one of our priorities: we provide public computers so students on campus can always have access to the internet, the University’s network and a range of software and public printers. We use technology in our teaching via online resources, social media and podcasts of lectures.

Social facilities
At Kent there are plenty of places to have fun and meet up with friends. Our campuses offer a range of cafés, bars, restaurants and sports facilities. The Canterbury campus has its own theatre, nightclub, cinema and music venue as well. There are also many student societies. For more details on the social activities at our various locations, see p34-39.
Canterbury is a beautiful and safe city with a rich heritage, vibrant culture and cosmopolitan feel. Home to Canterbury Cathedral, part of a World Heritage site, the city attracts millions of visitors every year.

Each year, Canterbury is ranked as one of the safest cities for students in England and Wales in The Complete University Guide. And with medieval buildings alongside modern shopping and entertainment, the atmosphere in the city is always fun and friendly.

**Campus life**

Our Canterbury campus is set in 300 acres of beautiful parkland overlooking the Cathedral. This gives you the best of both worlds: vast green spaces on campus, yet only a 20-minute walk from the city centre. There’s a frequent bus service between campus and the city centre.

Campus life is ideal for students from overseas as everything is in one place. In your spare time, you can enjoy the campus cinema and theatre, or attend concerts at the Colyer-Fergusson Building. The campus is also home to a range of bars and restaurants, shops and a student nightclub.

**Student societies**

Kent Union, the students’ union, has over 100 student societies. Many are focused on international culture, such as the Afro-Caribbean, Asian, Chinese, German, Hellenic and Japanese societies. For more details, see www.kentunion.co.uk

**Location**

A huge bonus for our students is that the city is close to London – the high-speed train service takes less than an hour. If you want to explore Paris or Brussels, you can catch a Eurostar train and be there in about two hours. It’s also easy to cross the Channel by ferry and get to other international locations by flying from one of London’s airports. See p45 for more details.

**Support**

The campus offers a high level of support. Staff from the International Development team can help with all kinds of queries. Our student union provides an advice service, with guidance on immigration and visas, and has a Jobshop that can help you find part-time work. The campus also has a Student Learning Advisory Service that provides support in study skills, and our Centre for English and World Languages provides English language tuition. There is also an on-site medical centre and pharmacy where you can register with a UK doctor who provides free medical care during your stay. Kent also employs its own counsellors and nurses.

**Sport**

In 2013, we completed a £4.8 million redevelopment of our sports facilities, improving our fitness suite and dance studios, and building indoor tennis and netball courts. We also have badminton, basketball and squash courts, as well as all-weather football pitches. There is a huge range of sports societies and teams, so you can develop your skills in whichever sport you wish.
Our Medway campus has won several design awards. The historic buildings were once part of a British naval base and this makes the campus a stunning location with grand buildings such as the Drill Hall Library and the Pilkington Building.

Medway students enjoy a modern and vibrant study environment with hi-tech facilities. There’s a recording studio for those studying music technology, a fully-equipped radio and TV newsroom for our trainee journalists, and a special design studio for those taking degrees in creative events.

Location
The campus is close to London, next to the River Medway with our School of Music and Fine Art’s buildings based at the Chatham Historic Dockyard. Our student accommodation, Liberty Quays, is by the River Medway in an attractive modern development.

The campus has easy access to central London: trains from Ebbsfleet take under 20 minutes and trains from Chatham take 45 minutes. If you want to explore Paris or Brussels, the Eurostar train from Ebbsfleet can take you there in about two hours. Airports are easily reached by road or rail – see p45 for details. The historic town centres of Chatham and Rochester are a short bus-ride away.

Social life
There is a strong sense of community on campus and students find it easy to make friends. For socialising, there’s a lively bar that holds regular theme nights. The range of societies and clubs on offer include the Afro-Caribbean Society, Asian Society, Bangladeshi Society, Irish Society, Islamic Society, Sikh Society and Spanish Society. Annual events include the Summer Ball, which is held at a large local venue and features one of the UK’s celebrity DJs. See www.gkunions.co.uk for more details.

There are several cafés and restaurants on campus. Nearby is a multi-screen cinema showing the most popular movies. The local town of Chatham provides entertainment such as live music and a comedy club.

Sport
The University has a wide range of sports societies – everything from table tennis to ladies’ football. Being close to the river means that many students also take part in activities such as rowing, canoeing and sailing. For those who want to join a gym, the nearby Medway Park has a fitness suite and a spa, and offers special rates to our students. Facilities include a swimming pool and an athletics track, as well as several sports halls. Medway Park facilities are all built to high standards – the Park was used by several 2012 Olympic teams for training.

Support
Our students have easy access to support on campus. The Student Learning Advisory Centre can help you with study skills. Greenwich and Kent Students’ Unions Together can provide advice on many aspects of life in the UK, including how to register with a local doctor.
EUROPEAN CENTRES

Brussels
Kent is the only UK university with a centre in Brussels. The courses are specialist postgraduate degrees related to the study of international affairs and taught in English.

Brussels is known as ‘the capital of Europe’ and is a major centre for political power, home to institutions such as the European Parliament, the European Commission and NATO. This means that the city also attracts international NGOs and multinational corporations, as well as a range of diplomats, lobbyists and ‘think tanks’.

Our courses are at postgraduate level in areas such as international law, politics and international relations, international development, international economics, European public policy and migration studies.

Our academics have an impressive network of professional contacts within the city, which means they are in touch with current developments. Practitioners from Brussels-based organisations are invited to contribute to courses and deliver guest lectures. They also provide useful contacts for students wishing to take an internship in Brussels.

Location
Our centre in Brussels is a 15-minute drive from the centre of the city and there are also good metro, bus and tram links. It’s easy to reach other European cities: Paris and London are about two hours by train and Brussels has a major international airport.

Social life
Our Brussels centre has a close-knit community of students from over 60 countries around the world. The University has its own academic facilities and our students are able to use the libraries, bars, cafés, entertainment and sports facilities of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel.

Paris
Paris is a leading city for European culture. It offers numerous events and attractions as well as a wealth of libraries, museums and art galleries. In the modernist era, Paris attracted many famous writers and artists from all over the world.

All of our courses in Paris are at postgraduate level (Master’s) and are related to the study of literature and the visual arts. Students divide their time between Paris and our Canterbury campus. All teaching is in English by staff from the University of Kent.

Location
Our centre in Paris is located in the beautiful area of Montparnasse close to central Paris. This is the area where Picasso and Modigliani once had their studios, and the nearby cafés were frequented by writers such as Ernest Hemingway and Gertrude Stein. Excellent transport links with other major cities mean you can explore Europe with ease.

Social life
Your studies are based at Reid Hall, a charming building with picturesque courtyards and interiors. Shared with New York’s Columbia University, it holds its own cultural events, where you meet a wide range of other students. You are also encouraged to experience the city’s cinema, art, literature and drama.
Athens
Just 30km from Athens by bus, Eleusina is one of the most important archaeological sites in the world.

Our MA in Heritage Management in Athens, a collaboration with Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB), teaches the skills required for the management of heritage sites across the world. Teaching is in English and funding is available.

Most classes are held either at the archaeological site in Eleusina, or in the seminar rooms of the municipality of Eleusina building, courtesy of the Initiative for Heritage Conservancy (IHC). The library holdings and computer facilities of the IHC are all at your disposal, and you also have access to the library of the AUEB in central Athens, as well as the electronic libraries of AUEB and Kent.

Location
The town of Eleusis has many amenities including a sports centre, shops, restaurants, cafés, libraries, a museum and foreign language schools.

Social life
There are a number of activities available in Eleusina at a discounted fee, including courses for non-Greek speakers in music, painting and dance. Eleusina is excellent for outdoor pursuits, and there is also an annual arts festival.

Rome
Rome is arguably the most historically and archaeologically significant city in Europe, if not the world.

Our MAs in Ancient History and Roman History and Archaeology offer students the opportunity to study in Rome for the spring term. You not only study the ancient sites, such as the Colosseum, the Pantheon and the Roman Forum, but also see the development of the city over time, from the Rome of the Republic to the present day.

Our MA in Roman History offers an opportunity to study in Rome for the spring term. You not only study the ancient sites, such as the Colosseum, the Pantheon and the Roman Forum, but also see the development of the city over time, from the Rome of the Republic to the present day.

Location
In Rome, Kent students are based at the campus of the American University of Rome. Situated in the picturesque district of Monteverde, with shops and amenities close by, the campus is within walking distance of Rome’s historic centre.

Social life
Students from Kent at the American University of Rome have access to all support facilities, including an English-speaking GP on site, a counsellor, and support from staff in the Student Life Office. There is also a range of student societies, cultural events and sports clubs available to suit almost every interest.

Study facilities include computer workstations, free wi-fi, and full audio-visual equipment in all classrooms. Lecture rooms are housed in a former monastery where the gardens and terraces act as social spaces. The library, located in Evans Hall, a stately two-storey building, has over 15,000 volumes, a large collection of DVDs, as well as access to online databases and Rome’s other libraries.
Our University accommodation allows students to make an easy transition to living in the UK – they don’t have to worry about finding somewhere to live and all basic bills, except for a TV licence, are included in the rent.

Canterbury

Our Canterbury campus houses over 4,700 students. Rooms are in flats, houses or colleges and are offered on a self-catered or part-catered basis. All of the bedrooms are for single occupancy and many have en-suite facilities. Your rent includes the costs of gas, electricity, water, personal belongings insurance and internet access.

Students enjoy living on our Canterbury campus – it’s in a beautiful green location overlooking the city and everything is within easy walking distance – laundry rooms, shops, restaurants and bars, a theatre and cinema as well as a sports centre.

Our international students based at Canterbury are offered a single room in University accommodation for their first year of study (providing they meet the application criteria). Those who are studying for a foundation programme are offered University accommodation for both their foundation year and the first year of their degree.

Undergraduate self-catering options

For self-catering accommodation, students share a self-contained house or apartment with other students. Each has its own fully equipped kitchen. These houses or apartments are let for the entire academic year (39 weeks), so students can stay there during the winter and spring vacations. Apartments have en-suite rooms, houses have a shared bathroom. The rooms have access to a kitchenette with a kettle, microwave and small fridge.

Undergraduate part-catering options

Bed and bistro accommodation is available to residents of the main building at Keynes College and Becket Court. The package includes an en-suite bedroom with breakfasts and dinners in our flagship bistro, Dolche Vita, on weekdays and in Rutherford dining hall at weekends.

Bed and breakfast accommodation is offered in Rutherford and Eliot Colleges only. Accommodation costs include breakfast (or an allowance towards an evening meal) in Rutherford dining hall. There is a wide variety of other places to eat around the campus.

In part-catered accommodation, all rooms have access to a kitchenette with a kettle, small fridge and microwave (suitable for preparing hot drinks and snacks only).

Undergraduate college rooms are only available during term-time (31 weeks); this means that rent does not cover the winter and spring vacations. For students on short-term study programmes, shorter accommodation stays may be possible, subject to availability.

Postgraduate shared apartment

Woolf College offers postgraduate students purpose-built accommodation on campus.
All rooms are for single occupancy and have en-suite facilities. Most rooms are arranged in flats for five to eight people with large shared kitchens. Some studio rooms are also available, with their own kitchen facilities.

Accommodation at Woolf College is available on a fixed 51-week contract (any postgraduates whose academic registration is shorter than 51 weeks should contact the Accommodation Office before making an application for further advice).

**Private accommodation**

In the second year of study, most undergraduate students rent private accommodation. Usually they share houses; prices were roughly £90 to £110 a week (excluding bills) in 2013. If students prefer to live off-campus in their first year of study, our Accommodation Office can provide advice to help them find suitable private accommodation.

**Medway**

Kent students are offered rooms in Liberty Quays, modern, purpose-built student accommodation close to the River Medway. It’s an attractive setting and only ten minutes’ walk from the campus. Each flat has six to eight single en-suite rooms and a shared, fully equipped kitchen and each room has internet access. The accommodation has its own social area and launderette. Nearby, there is a supermarket and Domino’s pizza and Subway food outlets.

Our international students at Medway are offered University accommodation for the first year of study (providing they meet the application criteria). Accommodation for further years of study is subject to availability.

If students prefer to live off-campus in their first year, our Accommodation Office can provide advice to help them find suitable private accommodation.

**Brussels**

Kent does not offer University accommodation in Brussels, but there are many private rental options available. Studio apartments with all charges included (water, electricity, gas, tenant charges) cost around €550-700 per month. A one-bedroom apartment with all charges included is around €650-800. Students who arrange flat-shares are often able to reduce costs even further.

For details, see [www.kent.ac.uk/gettingstarted/brussels](http://www.kent.ac.uk/gettingstarted/brussels)

**Paris**

For those students who are spending a term in Paris, we offer advice to help them find suitable accommodation. One option is to stay with a host family. There are also organisations in Paris to help students find short-term accommodation, as well as private accommodation agencies.

For advice, please see [www.kent.ac.uk/paris](http://www.kent.ac.uk/paris)

**Athens**

A list of suitable accommodation in Eleusina or central Athens is provided to all students. We also offer advice for those arranging their own rented accommodation and liaise with landlords on their behalf. Please see: [www.kent.ac.uk/locations/athens](http://www.kent.ac.uk/locations/athens) for details.

**Rome**

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

**How to apply**

Details of how to apply for accommodation are sent out when students are offered a place at Kent. Applications for university accommodation are made online at [www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation](http://www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation)
# Campus Accommodation: Quick Reference Guide

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Please note: our student accommodation does not include parking facilities.
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*** Postgraduate accommodation at Liberty Quays is also available for 42 weeks, (£5,124), or 51 weeks (£5,508).
FEES AND LIVING COSTS

International students from outside the EU
The figures quoted on the right are the standard fees for full-time students starting in the year 2013/14. They cover one academic year of study.

Please note that some courses (particularly postgraduate) charge more than the standard fee. For the latest details on fees, see: www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees

Students from the European Union (EU)
Qualifying as a student from the EU depends on the student’s nationality and residency.

Please note that undergraduate students from EU countries, 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. This loan does not have to be repaid until the April after the student graduates and only when they reach a certain level of salary.

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

Other living costs
To help students estimate their living costs, we provide an online calculator at: www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/livingcosts.html

Paying tuition fees
Tuition fees are charged for each year of study and are due at the start of the academic year. Students from outside the European Union may be required to pay a proportion of their tuition fees before their arrival at Kent. An instalment plan is available but if students pay the full year’s fee before 31 August, they are granted an early payment discount of 2%. See the Student Finance Guide at www.kent.ac.uk/gettingstarted/assoc/finance_fees.html

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

Kent’s loyalty discount scheme
Students receive a 10% discount on the first year’s tuition fees if they have a brother or sister at Kent, are the child of a Kent graduate, or are a Kent graduate returning to take a privately funded degree. See www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees/loyaltydiscount.html

Tuition fees for students from the European Union 2013/14

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Fee information is correct at the time of going to press.
### Tuition fees for international students (from outside the EU) 2013/14

**Junior Year Abroad**
- Junior Year Abroad (September to June) £11,250
- JYA English PLUS (full-length/part-length) £12,030 / £8,720
- JYA autumn (fall) semester (three months) £4,300
- JYA spring semester (five months) £6,420

**Pre-sessional English courses**
- 34-week pre-sessional (Block A) £8,510 (£12,665 including accommodation)
- 26-week pre-sessional (Block B) £6,410 (£10,285 including accommodation)
- 18-week pre-sessional (Block 1) £4,310 (£6,505 including accommodation)
- 11-week pre-sessional (Block 2) £2,915 (£4,260 including accommodation)
- Six-week pre-sessional (Block 3) £1,590 (£2,325 including accommodation)
- Four-week ‘brush-up’ course (Block 4) £1,060 (£1,550 including accommodation)

**Degree programmes**
- International Foundation Programme £11,250

**Undergraduate degrees**
- Standard non-laboratory programmes £12,030
- Lab-based or practical programmes £14,360
- Year in Industry £865
- Year studying at a partner university £1,725

**Pre-Master’s graduate diplomas**
- Standard non-laboratory £11,250

**Postgraduate degrees**
- Standard non-laboratory £12,030
- Standard lab-based practical courses £14,360
- Some programmes have non-standard fees, these include:
  - Actuarial Science PDip £12,520
  - Economics suite of programmes MSc £12,480
  - Management suite of programmes (KBS) MSc £14,150
  - Master of Business Administration MBA £19,300
  - Value Chain Management MSc £14,150

**Brussels School of International Studies (postgraduate)**
- Taught programmes €16,500
- Research programmes €8,660

**Paris and Rome suite of programmes (postgraduate)** £12,930

**Athens Heritage Management (postgraduate)** €7,500

Please note that the Two Capitals and the extended programmes (two years) are subject to a different fee structure, please contact ukbapplications@kent.ac.uk

Fee information is correct at the time of going to press; for the most up-to-date information and for details of other non-standard fees, see www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees
The University offers a wide variety of financial support and scholarships. The figures quoted apply to the 2013/14 academic year.

Students from outside the European Union
The University offers a number of generous scholarships for our international students at undergraduate and postgraduate level. These include our International Scholarships for Undergraduate Students and International Scholarships for Taught Master’s Students, each worth £5,000 per annum (for up to three years of study for undergraduate students) towards the cost of tuition fees and offered to nationals of any country paying international fees.

We also offer a range of other scholarships, including:
• The Hong Kong Alumni Undergraduate Scholarship
  These scholarships are for outstanding students from mainland China or Hong Kong. The awards are of £15,000 for the initial year of entry and renewable for up to a total of three years. The scholarships are open to full-time undergraduate students in any subject area.

• Jackie Chan scholarship
  The Jackie Chan Charitable Foundation funds a scholarship worth £15,000 for one year of study for the taught MA in Film Studies

• Santander scholarships
  Santander is offering scholarships of £5,000 each to support students from Iberian and Latin American countries studying for a full-time taught or research Master’s degree at Kent.

See www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships for details of these and other scholarships.

Students from within the European Union
The following scholarships and studentships are open to students from the EU. (Please note: EU status depends on nationality and residency.) There are also scholarships for specific subjects: check your academic school website for details.

Undergraduate study
• Tuition fee loan – EU undergraduate students can apply for a UK government loan to cover the cost of tuition fees. This is not paid back until after graduation and only when a certain level of salary is reached.

Postgraduate study
• Ratiu Foundation scholarships for Romanian students
• UK Research Council funding; tuition fees only
Scholarships open to all students

The following scholarships and studentships are open to students of all nationalities. There are also scholarships for specific subjects: check your academic school website for details.

Undergraduate study

The University of Kent offers one of the best scholarship schemes in the UK.

• We offer university scholarships of £2,000 a year to all students who achieve the following grades at A level: A*A*A*, A*A*A; A**A; AAA; A*A*B; A*AB; A*A*C (IB 35 points or more, including a minimum of 15 points for Higher Level subjects). For other equivalents, see www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships

Creative and sports scholarships

You can also apply for a scholarship for excellence in the following areas:

• University Music Performance Scholarships – up to £5,000 a year
• Music Lesson Scholarships – cost of music or vocal lessons up to £500

Graduate Teaching Assistantships

Most academic schools offer scholarships in the form of Graduate Teaching Assistantships (GTAs) whereby full-time postgraduate research students receive financial support in return for teaching. Many GTAs are ‘full’ awards which cover tuition fees at the home/EU rate plus a combined salary and maintenance grant of up to £13,590 per annum. Other GTA award levels vary in amount.

Find out more

Please refer to our web pages for full details of all scholarships: www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships
FIND OUT MORE

We’re always happy to help. You can contact us by email or telephone, meet members of staff at an education fair in your country, or talk to one of our overseas representatives. Or to see our online video, go to our website at www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent

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E: information@kent.ac.uk

In your own country
Fairs and exhibitions
Members of the University along with Kent academics, often visit fairs and exhibitions overseas. For details of our next visit to your country, see www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent/overseas-visits.html

Overseas representatives
Kent has overseas representatives around the world. They offer up-to-date advice on the courses at Kent, the application process, visa requirements and details about living and studying in the UK. To get contact details for your local overseas representative, see our website: www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent/representation

Visiting the UK
You can also visit us in the UK; it is the perfect way to see our campuses and find out everything you need to know. At Kent we offer Open Days, UCAS Visit Days, postgraduate events and informal visits. Friends and family are all welcome. For information on our Open Days, UCAS Visit Days and postgraduate events, see www.kent.ac.uk/opendays

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

Canterbury campus
Wednesday 18 September 2013
Saturday 5 October 2013
Saturday 12 July 2014

Medway campus
Saturday 12 October 2013
Saturday 21 June 2014

For later dates, see www.kent.ac.uk/opendays

UCAS Visit Days
UCAS Visit Days are for those who have already applied to Kent (for an undergraduate degree). They provide an in-depth guide to studying at Kent and there are presentations from academic staff and the opportunity to ask lots of questions. You also get a tour of the campus with one of our current students.

UCAS Visit Days take place between December and April, depending on the course you apply for. See www.kent.ac.uk/visitdays for more information.
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.
COME AND VISIT US

We hold Open Days at our Canterbury and Medway campuses. If you book in advance, it is also possible to take an individual tour of campus.

For more information, see: www.kent.ac.uk/opendays