ESSENTIAL KENT 2019

Key information about the University
KENT IN BRIEF

Prestigious

• Awarded gold in the Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF)*
• Based on the most recent Research Excellence Framework, Kent was ranked in the top 20 for research intensity in the Times Higher Education (THE), outperforming 11 of the 24 Russell Group universities
• Ranked in the top 500 of world universities by Shanghai Ranking’s 2018 Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU)
• Ranked among the top 50 in the THE new European Teaching Rankings

Inspirational

• Successful in a joint bid to develop Kent and Medway’s first medical school (see p12)
• Winner of the Outstanding Support for Students award for the second year running at the 2018 THE Awards
• Winner of the 2019 Healthcare Pioneer Award. Researchers at the Medway School of Pharmacy have developed a new method of monitoring heart problems in patients attending GP surgeries

Engaged

• Ranked 32nd out of 149 UK higher education institutions for our success rate in securing national research funding
• Awarded £4.3m from the Cultural Development Fund towards the development of the Thames Estuary area as Europe’s largest creative corridor, making it a world-leading location for creative and cultural industries
• Awarded a €3.9m grant for a project that aims to provide an historical, cultural and social understanding of the roots of migration. The grant has been awarded under the Horizon 2020 (H2020) Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions European Joint Doctorates scheme

*The University of Kent’s Statement of Findings can be found at www.kent.ac.uk/tef-statement
THE UK’S EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

Celebrating 20 years in Europe
The University is celebrating the 20th anniversary of the opening of its first European Centre in Brussels. The Brussels School of International Studies is a key tenet of our European identity, together with our centres in Paris, Athens and Rome. We have a strong European impact, reinforced by links with universities throughout Europe and many more worldwide.

As an established research university, Kent acts as a gateway to Europe for students from the UK and across the world. With 159 nationalities represented in our student body and 40% of our teaching and research staff from outside the UK, Kent celebrates intellectual and cultural diversity with a commitment to educate its students to become global citizens.

Global opportunities
• An extensive study abroad programme with 193 universities in 39 countries across the world. Most of our programmes offer opportunities to study or work in Europe
• Recipient of a grant of over €1.1million to support student and staff mobility across Europe, under the Erasmus+ scheme
• Dual UK and European qualifications (international double awards) are offered at Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral level
• Kent staff can apply for funding to undertake two to five days’ training/teaching opportunities at our Erasmus partner universities or other relevant organisations within Europe.

Further information can be found at www.kent.ac.uk/european
LOCATIONS

Kent has exceptional campuses in the UK, as well as sites in some of the most exciting and historic cities in Europe. Study and research are underpinned by the specialist facilities and resources of these chosen locations.

**Canterbury:** Kent’s original site is situated on beautiful parkland overlooking the city of Canterbury. All facilities are based on campus and the wide range of courses span the humanities, social sciences and sciences.

**Medway:** professionally focused, research-led programmes with an emphasis on cultural and creative industries, health and management, supported by industry-standard facilities at two sites: Pembroke and The Historic Dockyard Chatham.

**Tonbridge:** located in west Kent, our part-time centre offers a wide variety of study days and short courses in the humanities and social sciences as well as bespoke professional training for business and government.
Brussels: The Brussels School of International Studies is close to our partner universities (Vrije Universiteit Brussel and Université libre de Bruxelles). It offers postgraduate courses in Politics and International Relations, Law and Economics.

Paris: The Paris School of Arts and Culture is based in the Columbia Global Center (known as Reid Hall). Situated in the heart of Paris, it offers interdisciplinary postgraduate programmes in the arts and humanities.

Athens: based in the Athenian suburb of Elefsina, our centre is a unique collaboration between Kent and the Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB). Close to famous historical sites, it offers a taught Master’s in Heritage Management.

Rome: The Rome School of Classical and Renaissance Studies is based at the American University of Rome, which has superb views of the historic city. It offers postgraduate programmes in ancient history, history of art and Roman history and archaeology.
SUCCESES

• **Awarded gold** in the UK Government’s Teaching Excellence Framework (see p16)

• **Successful bid to develop Kent and Medway’s first medical school** (see p12)

• **Ranked in the top 500 of world universities** by *Shanghai Ranking’s 2018 Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU)*

• **Ranked among the top 50 in Europe for teaching** in the THE European Teaching rankings which includes teaching reputation, graduation rate and the development of students’ skills for 242 institutions across the UK, Spain, Germany, Italy, France, the Netherlands, Portugal and the Republic of Ireland

• Research from the University has been named as one of the **UK’s 100 Best Breakthroughs** of the last century for its significant impact on people’s everyday lives

• **Winner of the Outstanding Support for Students Award** at the 2018 *Times Higher Education* (THE) Awards for our acclaimed OPERA Project

• **Kent Business School awarded the Small Business Charter Award** in recognition of the support it provides to small businesses in the region and the work it does across the University to support student entrepreneurship

• **Winner of the Outstanding University Housing Office** at The Class of 2020 Awards in November 2018. Kent was praised for the ‘unprecedented wealth of services’ that are provided to students, especially during induction

• **Winner of the Commercial University of the Year Award** for Commercial Services at the 2018 College and University Business Officers (CUBO) Conference

• **Winner of the Workplace of the Year Award** (School of Engineering and Digital Arts) at the *Times Higher Education* Leadership and Management Awards (THELMAS)
• Kent Union has featured in *The Sunday Times 100 Best Not For Profit Organisations* to work for, for the last ten years

• The School of Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Science has been awarded an *Athena SWAN Silver Award* in recognition of its ongoing commitment to embed equality, diversity and inclusivity within the School

• **Kent Law Clinic** received a special award in May 2018 from the county’s Law Society for its ‘significant contribution’ to the practice of law. Since 1992, the clinic has helped its clients obtain a total of £5.6m

• The University’s arts centre, **Gulbenkian**, has been awarded £99,000 to fund a new project to bring together different generations through arts activities

• The University officially opened the Mitali and Divyendu Kumar **ASPIRE start-up centre**, designed to help students develop and grow their own business ideas

• **Winner of the Best University Accommodation for Groups** award by the readers of *Group Travel Organiser* magazine for 11 years running
FAST FACTS

Founded: the University’s Royal Charter was granted in 1965

Vice-Chancellor and President: Professor Karen Cox became the sixth Vice-Chancellor of the University in August 2017

Locations: two UK campuses, Canterbury and Medway, a centre for part-time study in Tonbridge, and four specialist postgraduate centres in Athens, Brussels, Paris and Rome

Annual income: £267.8m

Research income: £18.0m

Philanthropic income: £0.91m

Number of donors: 1,169

Student support: bursaries, scholarships, grants and awards of £7.3m for undergraduates and £12.2m for postgraduates

Annual surplus: £3.4m

Investment in facilities and resources: £191m over the last five years

Planned investment in facilities and resources: over £175m in five years to 2022/23

Collegiate structure: six colleges on the Canterbury campus (Eliot, Rutherford, Keynes, Darwin, Woolf and Turing) and Medway College at the Medway campus

Library holdings: three libraries containing over 1.1 million books and journals, thousands of e-books, e-journals and databases, over 2,300 study spaces, over 690 PCs and over 140 laptops

Student accommodation: over 5,300 bedrooms on the Canterbury campus and over 1,100 bedrooms at Liberty Quays in Medway

Student numbers: 19,860 total students; full-time undergraduate 15,190; part-time undergraduate 740; full-time postgraduate 2,670; part-time postgraduate 1,260

Student numbers (Canterbury campus): 16,440

Student numbers (Medway campus): 2,990
New enrolment: 5,380 new undergraduate students and 2,375 new postgraduate students registered in 2018

Student population: 55% women, 45% men

Student profile: students from 159 nationalities are represented at the University: 76% from the UK, 9% from the EU and 15% from overseas

Retention rate (full-time UK entrants 2015/16): 94.8% (HESA data)

2017/18 awards: 5,105 undergraduate awards; 2,285 postgraduate awards (2,000 taught, 285 research)

Student employment rate: six months after graduation in 2017, more than 95% of Kent undergraduates and 97% of postgraduates who responded to a national survey had found a job, or were going on to further studies (DLHE)

Staff numbers: 5,831 members of staff (salaried, timesheet, full-time and part-time staff), of which 1,175 are academic staff

Staff population: 57% women, 43% men

Staff profile: 78% from the UK, 22% from Europe and overseas; 40% of Kent’s academic staff are from outside the UK

Student to academic staff ratio: 18.9:1 (HESA benchmarking data, 2016/17)

Partnerships: Kent has links with over 400 institutions around the world

Alumni: 181,000 from over 180 countries

Innovation and enterprise: over 8,300 students and 147 companies engaged with the University’s nationally recognised Employability Points Scheme during 2017/18. The Hub for Innovation and Enterprise continues to support entrepreneurship across the University (see p27)

Recycling: in 2017/18 Kent achieved a 7% decrease of general waste produced and an increase of 20% on reuse options from the previous year

Student support: since 2010, the University has raised £5,292,640 for the Kent Opportunity Fund

All figures refer to the 2017/18 financial year unless specified otherwise. Student and enrolment data taken from the annual student number return (1 December 2018).
KENT AND MEDWAY MEDICAL SCHOOL

Kent and Medway Medical School (KMMS) is an exciting collaboration between Canterbury Christ Church University and the University of Kent, built on our existing high-quality clinical teaching and research strengths. KMMS will welcome its first undergraduate students in September 2020 and will provide first-class medical education and research, combining the strengths and expertise of both universities.

Our aim is to recruit, train and support pioneering students who are right for the profession. We will train them to become committed and compassionate practitioners who are really in touch with their patients and dedicated to the core values of the NHS. The innovative and integrated curriculum will be delivered by a wide range of expert teachers, offering a holistic approach to managing future patient and population needs for the whole of Kent and Medway.

The course

The five-year Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (BM BS)* offers students the opportunity to experience a range of specialisms including general practice, surgery, psychiatry, acute care and stroke care. Right from the outset, students will meet patients by working in the community and in hospitals on placements, gaining vital hands-on experience, developing clinical skills and learning to work as part of multi-professional teams. On completion, students will be awarded a joint degree from Canterbury Christ Church University and the University of Kent.

The course is based on, and closely matches, the fully accredited programme delivered by our partner and mentor institution, Brighton and Sussex Medical School.

*subject to successful progress through the General Medical Council’s quality assurance programme.
An excellent education and superb student experience

Both universities are undergoing developments to accommodate the medical school, which will include a new simulation suite and anatomy laboratory at Canterbury Christ Church University and a new building for teaching space proposed for the University of Kent’s Canterbury campus.

Further information can be found at www.kmms.ac.uk
RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

We attract internationally renowned subject specialists and have a reputation for research excellence that is designed to produce creative and practical solutions.

• World-leading research in all subjects submitted to the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014
• 97% of our research is of international quality, up from 87% in 2008
• Number of research-active staff has increased by 40% since 2008

Our research impact

• Kent is part of a five-university consortium awarded almost €4m from the European Commission for a project that aims to provide an historical, cultural and social understanding of the roots of migration
• A Knowledge Transfer Partnership (KTP) between the University and Priority Freight, a major international distributor based in Kent, has helped the firm cut its carbon emissions by an average of 2.2 tonnes of CO2 a week thanks to improved vehicle route planning
• A planetary science project led by the Head of the School of Physical Sciences, Professor Nigel Mason, has been selected by the European Commission as a success story of its Horizon 2020 research programme
• Research from the School of Biosciences has been named as one of the UK’s 100 Best Breakthroughs of the last century for its significant impact on people’s everyday lives
• New research from the School of Engineering and Digital Arts has shown that using Virtual Reality (VR) headsets while exercising can reduce pain and increase how long someone can sustain an activity
• The University has achieved accreditation from the government as an Academic Centre of Excellence in Cyber Security Research (ACE-CSR) in recognition of Kent’s first-rate research in terms of both scale and impact
• Researchers at the Medway School of Pharmacy have been working with health agencies in the county to develop a revolutionary new way of detecting heart disorders and potential strokes in those most at risk
• Research taking place in the School of Computing on the visualisation of brain patterns has been featured in a video by the British Council that will be used to promote UK innovation across China
• A University-developed family caregiver support programme, developed by Dr Nick Gore at the Tizard Centre, is at the centre of a major initiative launch by the charity Mencap

Research consortia
The University is an active member of the following research consortia and UK Research and Innovation Doctoral Training Partnerships (DTPs):
• Eastern Academic Research Consortium (Eastern ARC) with the universities of East Anglia and Essex
• South-east Network for Social Sciences (SeNSS) (Economic and Social Research Council funded DTP)
• Consortium for the Humanities and Arts South-East England (CHASE) (Arts and Humanities Research Council funded DTP)
• Advanced Research and Innovation in the Environmental Sciences (ARIES) (Natural Environment Research Council funded DTP)
• Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (DTP training grant)
• SGroup

The University has also established the Global Challenges Doctoral Centre which provides Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF) funded training and PhD studentships.

Further information about our research can be found at www.kent.ac.uk/research
TEACHING EXCELLENCE

The University has been awarded a gold rating, the highest, in the UK Government’s Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF). Based on the evidence available, the TEF Panel judged that the University of Kent delivers consistently outstanding teaching, learning and outcomes for its students. It is of the highest quality found in the UK.

The TEF Panel reported that Kent ‘students from all backgrounds achieve consistently outstanding outcomes. Very high proportions of students from all backgrounds continue with their studies and then progress to employment, notably exceeding the provider benchmarks. The metrics indicate very high levels of student satisfaction with teaching, academic support and assessment and feedback.’

The Panel considered all the information in Kent’s submission in relation to the TEF criteria and stated that its judgement reflects, in particular, evidence of:

- an outstanding Student Success Project dedicated to closing the attainment gap for students with protected characteristics
- an institutional culture which facilitates, values and rewards excellent teaching and which is embedded across the institution
- the provision of a wide range of co-curricular opportunities for students to enhance their skills
- physical and digital learning resources of the highest quality
- a flexible and personalised approach to academic support for students which is underpinned by a college system and enhanced through student peer mentoring and an academic adviser scheme
- a systematic approach to embedding employability in the curriculum and providing employment placements for large numbers of students which together, enable them to acquire the knowledge, skills and understanding that are most highly valued by employers.
The TEF aims to recognise, reward and improve excellent learning and teaching at higher education providers across the UK. It also aims to provide students with clear information about where teaching quality is best and where students have achieved the best outcomes.

The awards are decided by an independent TEF Panel of experts, including academics, students and employer representatives.
ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES

Kent has an established reputation for its research expertise and interdisciplinary approach to learning. Due to the nature of our research and the way it informs our teaching, we are able to offer a comprehensive and varied portfolio of courses in a range of subject areas for undergraduate and postgraduate study.

The content of our course portfolio is delivered by academics who produce research of international standing. This enables our students to develop skills and knowledge relevant to their subject area, contemporary issues, and in the wider world of employment.
Subject areas

Accounting
American Studies
Ancient History, Archaeology and Classics
Anthropology
Architecture
Art History
Asian Studies
Astronomy, Space Science and Astrophysics
Biosciences
Business
Chemistry
Comparative Literature
Computing
Conservation and Environmental Studies
Criminology
Digital Arts and Multimedia
Drama and Theatre
Economics
Engineering
English Literature
Film and Media
Finance
Forensic Science
History
Human Geography
Journalism
Languages and Linguistics
Law
Liberal Arts
Management
Marketing
Mathematics, Statistics, Actuarial Science
Medicine*
Music
Pharmacy**
Philosophy
Physics
Politics and International Relations
Psychology
Religious Studies and Global Philosophies
Social, Health and Community Care
Sociology, Social Policy, Cultural Studies and Media
Sport and Exercise Sciences

* Kent and Medway Medical School Canterbury Christ Church University and University of Kent in collaboration

** Medway School of Pharmacy University of Greenwich and University of Kent in collaboration
STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Graduate attributes
Graduate attributes are qualities that our students develop throughout their time at Kent. Through curricular and co-curricular activity (sports, societies, volunteering, paid employment), they develop skills which result in the development of particular graduate attributes that top employers are looking for: confidence, creativity and motivation, critical reflection, global/cultural awareness, integrity and accountability, intellectual curiosity and resilience.

Kent Extra
Kent Extra provides students with opportunities to enhance their knowledge, learn new skills and improve their CV. Students can do this through study pathways that broaden their degree programme; spending a year abroad, or on a work placement; attending a summer school; volunteering; or taking a Study Plus course. Some of the options are assessed and, if the degree programme allows, may contribute to the final degree. Many Kent Extra programmes can also earn Employability Points, which reward students for their involvement in co-curricular activities. These opportunities provide an excellent way for students to get the most from their time at Kent.

Examples of Kent Extra programmes
- Study Plus
- Business Enterprise modules
- Social analytics
- Year in Computing
- Study abroad
- Languages at Kent
- Summer schools
- Work placements
- Volunteering
- Sports leadership

Further information about Kent Extra programmes can be found at www.kent.ac.uk/kentextra
STUDENT EXPERIENCE (CONT)

Supportive learning environment
Each School has an Academic Adviser to provide individual advice and guidance to students to maximise their academic and personal development. Students can also enhance their academic achievements through workshops, one-to-one guidance, study skills sessions embedded in the curriculum, academic peer mentoring (APM) and online resources provided by the Student Learning Advisory Service.

Enhancing employability
The University and Kent Union provide a range of work opportunities for students. Just one example is the University’s Student Ambassador Scheme, which has operated for more than ten years and employs undergraduate and postgraduate students to represent the University at on-campus events as well as in local schools, colleges and the community.

Students’ unions
Kent Union is a registered charity and its purpose is to support its members to ensure they have a superb student experience. It is a democratic, student-led organisation, and its members guide its direction and goals. Kent Union runs a broad range of services: campaigning and representation, student voice, campus student nightclub, bars, a campus shop, an advice centre, Jobshop, and a vast range of volunteering, sports clubs and societies.

All students at each of the University’s locations can join Kent Union. Medway students are also members of GK Unions, a partnership between Kent Union and the University of Greenwich Students’ Union. Every year, five Kent students are elected to run Kent Union full-time. These officers, along with 1,000+ other volunteers, represent the views of all Kent students.
Kent Union aims to:

Stand up for students
- 23% of our members took part in our democratic process by casting 61,050 votes in elections throughout the year

Help them have the best time at Kent
- 111 societies and 53 sports clubs
- Events include Varsity, Kent Student Awards and the Summerball
- 91,190 volunteering hours logged by Kent students, positively changing their university experience for the better

Prepare them for life after Kent
- 7,500 students registered with Jobshop to find part-time work during their studies
- 4,541 students helped by our advice centre
- Over 1,200 students attended our recruitment fairs

Figures taken from Kent Union Impact Report 2017-18: Celebrating Success!
REGIONAL IMPACT

• The University is worth £0.9 billion to the south-east economy and directly or indirectly supports 9,448 full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs in the region (2015/16)
• The University is one of the largest employers in the region, employing 5,831 staff equating to 2,982 full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs
• Kent students delivered a total of 77,000 volunteering hours with an estimated economic value of approximately £540,000, benefitting more than 130 local organisations
• 11% of University of Kent graduates remain in Kent after graduation
• The School of Sport and Exercise Sciences offers professional services to the public such as sport and exercise-testing, psychology, respiratory and nutrition consultations, rehabilitation gym and sports therapy
• From June to September 2018, the University’s Conference Office hosted 4,595 events, contributing over 200,000 overnight stays to the tourist economy of the region
• The University’s newsletter, Community, is delivered four times a year to 12,500 homes and businesses around the Canterbury campus and in the city centre
• The University built upon its sponsorship of Brompton Academy and in 2017 established a multi-academy trust, University of Kent Academies Trust (UKAT), which now includes Chatham Grammar School for Girls
• Gulbenkian, the University’s arts centre, has been awarded National Portfolio Organisation status with Arts Council England and supports projects run by, with and for children and young people, including the award-winning bOing! International Family Festival

Read more about our regional impact at www.kent.ac.uk/about/impact
INNOVATION AND ENTERPRISE

The University continually builds strong partnerships between business and research by encouraging innovative and creative collaborations. By deepening our relationships with businesses, the University is helping to support businesses to improve their innovation and productivity, thereby contributing to economic growth. Transferring the University’s knowledge and expertise across the regional, national and global business communities is a priority and the University is committed to sharing and developing new ideas and technologies.

Our dedicated business and innovation gateway provides a clear route to world-renowned expertise and cutting-edge facilities, ensuring we provide practical and creative solutions to meet real business needs. We have established a number of initiatives to encourage and develop students’ employability skills, including the nationally recognised Employability Points Scheme, together with a dedicated incubator, Hub for Innovation and Enterprise, responding to internal demand from student and staff entrepreneurs.

The Hub is located in the Canterbury Innovation Centre and is the University's delivery vehicle for student entrepreneurship, start-up support and start-up space:

- 186 companies have been created and developed at the University of Kent’s incubator space since 2010
- as a result, 254 jobs have been created in the local community
- Student Enterprise has run 849 business advice sessions since 2013
- 63 companies were established over the last two years

Further information about Kent Innovation and Enterprise can be found at www.kent.ac.uk/enterprise
The University’s Charter, Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations form the University’s constitutional framework. The Vice-Chancellor and President is the principal academic and administrative officer of the University and is assisted by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor(s) and Pro-Vice-Chancellors, and the Secretary of the Council.

**Visitor:** The Lord Archbishop of Canterbury

**Chancellor:** Gavin Esler BA (Kent), MA (Leeds), DCL (Kent), FRSA

**Chair of the Council:** Sir David Warren KCMG, MA (Oxford)

**Vice-Chancellor and President:** Professor Karen Cox BSc (KCL), PhD (Nottingham), RGN, Onc Cert, Dip HE (Oxford Brookes), PGCAP (Nottingham), FHEA

**Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Provost:** David Nightingale MA (Oxford)

**Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Chief Operating Officer:** Denise Everitt BA (Kent), ACA

**Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research and Innovation:** Professor Philippe De Wilde, MSc PhD (Ghent)

**Deputy Vice-Chancellor Education:** Professor April McMahon MA PhD (Edinburgh), FBA, FRSE, FLSW

**Secretary of the Council (and the Court):** Dr Keith Lampard BA (Kent), MSc (London), PhD (Kent), PGC-HEM (Southampton)

Further information about the University’s governance, including the Charter, can be found at [www.kent.ac.uk/governance](http://www.kent.ac.uk/governance)
COLLEGIATE STRUCTURE

The University has a collegiate structure and has seven colleges. Kent is one of only eight UK universities to have such a structure, developed by the University’s Founding Fathers to create a ‘true community of masters and scholars’.

All students become a member of a college when they join Kent, and retain their affiliation throughout their study and beyond. Like most communities, the college environment brings together people of many backgrounds and with varying tastes and lifestyles. Each college has a Master, who is responsible for student welfare, and a Student Committee made up of students nominated by their peers.

Director of Student Services and Senior Master (Interim): Jane Glew BSc (Aston), PG Dip (CIM), MA (Greenwich)

Master of Darwin and Woolf Colleges: Dr Jonathan Friday BA (London), MPhil PhD (Cambridge)

Master of Eliot College: Stephen Burke BA (Kent)

Master of Keynes College: Chloé Gallien L-ès-L, M-ès-L, DEA (Nancy), MBA (OUBS), FHEA, FAUA

Master of Rutherford College: Dr Peter Klappa BSc MSc PhD (Munich), PGCHE (Kent)

Master of Turing College: To be announced

Further information about Kent’s collegiate structure can be found at www.kent.ac.uk/student
INSPIRATIONAL ALUMNI

Alan Davies (Keynes, 1984): Comedian and actor

Gavin Esler (Rutherford, 1971): Journalist, author and University Chancellor

Wayne Garvie (Darwin, 1982): President, International Production for Sony Pictures Television

Ellie Goulding (Rutherford, 2006): Award-winning singer/songwriter

Charlotte Green (Eliot, 1975): Newsreader and broadcaster

David Horsey (Rutherford, 1985): Political cartoonist

Sir Kazuo Ishiguro OBE (Darwin, 1974): Author and Nobel Prize in Literature winner (The Remains of the Day, Never Let Me Go)

Rebecca Lenkiewicz (Darwin, 1986): Playwright, Critics’ Circle Theatre Award winner

Mark Mardell (Darwin, 1976): Journalist and BBC Radio presenter

Dame Carolyn McCall DBE (Darwin, 1979): Chief Executive of ITV

David Mitchell (Darwin, 1987): Author (Cloud Atlas)

Erika Mitchell (Rutherford, 1981): Author of the Fifty Shades trilogy

The Right Reverend Dame Sarah Mullally (Keynes, 2000): Bishop of London

Sir Hugh Orde (Darwin, 1984): Former President of the Association of Chief Police Officers

Wayne Otto OBE (Rutherford, 1988): World and European karate champion

Neal Purvis (Eliot, 1980) and Robert Wade (Eliot, 1980): BAFTA-nominated screenwriters

Susannah Townsend MBE (Medway, 2008): Olympic Gold hockey medallist

Sarah Waters (Eliot, 1984): Author (Tipping the Velvet, Fingersmith)

The Hon Charles Wigoder (Rutherford, 1978): Telecoms

Tom Wilkinson OBE (Rutherford, 1967): Actor, BAFTA and Emmy award winner, Oscar nominee

Fu Ying 傅莹 (Rutherford, 1985): Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National People’s Congress of China
UNIVERSITY HISTORY

1965 Royal Charter granted and the ‘First 500’ students enrol. Kent Union started, run by volunteers.
1965-70 Eliot, Rutherford, Keynes and Darwin Colleges open (Canterbury).
1982 Opening of the Tonbridge Centre.
1998 University of Kent, Brussels established.
2004 Launch of the Medway School of Pharmacy, a joint project between the universities of Kent and Greenwich.
2005 The first students are welcomed to the new Medway campus.
2008 Kent Graduate School is established. Woolf College, Kent’s postgraduate college, is opened (Canterbury).
2009 University of Kent, Paris launched. 
Liberty Quays student residences open (Medway).

2011 New accommodation at Keynes College opens (Canterbury).  
Specialist postgraduate programme at Athens launched.

2012 Colyer-Fergusson Music Building opens (Canterbury).  
New and refurbished facilities for the School of Music and Fine Art open at The Historic Dockyard Chatham (Medway).

2013 Specialist postgraduate programmes in Rome launched.  
New student residences open at Liberty Quays (Medway).  
Refurbished Sports Centre opened (Canterbury).

2014 Turing College opens (Canterbury).  
Kent Union Student Media Centre opened (Canterbury).

2015 New and refurbished facilities for Kent Business School open at The Historic Dockyard Chatham and the Royal Dockyard Church is refurbished as a lecture theatre (Medway).

2016 Galvanising Shop Café opens at The Historic Dockyard Chatham (Medway).  
Wigoder Law Building opens (Canterbury).

2017 The new GK Unions Student Hub opens (Medway).  
The Sibson Building, a new building for Kent Business School and the School of Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Science, opens (Canterbury).  
Templeman Library extension and refurbishment is completed (Canterbury).

2018 Kent Union Park Wood Student Hub opens (Canterbury).

2019 Kent and Medway Medical School established  
Canterbury Christ Church University and University of Kent in collaboration.
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