ASIAN STUDIES
Canterbury
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND INSPIRATIONAL TEACHING

Kent is one of the UK’s leading universities, ranked 23rd in The Guardian University Guide 2017. In the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014, Kent is ranked 17th* for research intensity, outperforming 11 of the 24 Russell Group universities.

Asian Studies at Kent is a multidisciplinary subject, taught by staff in the Department of Religious Studies in the School of European Culture and Languages (SECL), with additional teaching from the Centre for English and World Languages (CEWL), the School of Politics and International Relations, and the School of History.

Inspirational teaching

We have high standards in teaching and support, and our research informs our teaching so that you are learning at the cutting edge of your discipline. Asian Studies gives you the opportunity to learn about one of the world’s most diverse, developing and culturally rich continents, while also studying another subject of your choice.

These programmes provide solid grounding in Asian Studies through a multidisciplinary approach that draws on modules from across the humanities and social sciences. You develop your critical awareness of the interpretive, cultural and political challenges to understanding Asian cultures and civilisations both historically and today. By studying Asian Studies in combination with another subject, you develop a cross-cultural awareness, understanding your chosen subjects in a global context. See p10 for the joint honours degrees available.

Supportive community

For the most part, you are taught in small groups, which gives everyone the opportunity to contribute. We welcome student feedback on the development of the Department and its programmes. Kent also has a number of student societies that may be of particular interest to students of Asian Studies, including Arabic, Asian, Chinese, Indian, Malaysian, Hindu and Islamic societies. See www.kentunion.co.uk for more information.

Wide-ranging research

Our academics are engaged in research at the forefront of their fields, and their research interests cover a wide range of areas, from new understandings of Buddhist and Hindu cultures, Islamic liberalism and the nature of Asia’s interaction with the West.

*of 122 universities, not including specialist institutions.
Within SECL, we have a dedicated student support team, who are able to provide pastoral care and help you with your academic needs. The University also offers a variety of support services; for details, see www.kent.ac.uk/studentwellbeing or www.kent.ac.uk/studentsupport.

**A global outlook**

According to the *Times Higher Education* (THE), Kent is ranked in the top 10% of the world’s universities for international outlook. Kent encourages students to place their studies in an international context: 37% of our academics are from overseas and there are students from 148 nationalities represented on campus. This gives you plenty of opportunities to discuss issues with people from different backgrounds and cultures.

On our Asian Studies programmes, you have the opportunity to gain both written and spoken language competency in an Asian language. Those studying Asian Studies with a European language (French, German, Hispanic Studies and Italian) spend a year overseas in a country where that language is spoken. If you take Asian Studies in combination with a non-language subject, you can apply to spend time studying abroad in an Asian country of relevance to your studies, either for an entire year, or for a significant period of time. For more information, please see p15.

**A successful future**

As well as providing a first-rate academic experience, we want you to be in a good position to face the demands of a competitive job market. As part of your studies at Kent, we help you to acquire key transferable skills, which are considered essential for a successful graduate career. The University’s award-winning Careers and Employability service offers help and advice on the options open to you. For more information, see p8 or go to www.kent.ac.uk/employability.
SUPERB STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Our Canterbury campus provides a stunning location for your studies and offers first-class academic and leisure facilities. The campus is within easy reach of London and mainland Europe.

Excellent study resources

The newly extended and refurbished Templeman Library provides a wealth of resources and services to support your study and research across all subject areas. Its extensive print and electronic collections are aimed at supporting the courses and subject areas taught at Kent. There is an extensive range of electronic resources including e-journals, e-books, databases, reference resources and newspaper archives. Integrated search and study tools, including the Library catalogue, reading lists and virtual learning environment, help you discover and access the best resources for your studies.

Kent’s Student Learning Advisory Service provides information and advice on all aspects of effective learning and study skills, and is available to all students from the time they arrive at the University. See www.kent.ac.uk/learning for more information.

Kent Extra

Kent Extra is an excellent way to get more from your time at university. It provides opportunities to enhance your knowledge, learn new skills and improve your CV. You can do this in many ways, for example, by attending one of our summer schools; by volunteering; or by taking a Study Plus course in an area that interests you. For details, see www.kent.ac.uk/kentextra

Beautiful green campus

Our campus has plenty of green and tranquil spaces, both lawns and wooded areas, and is set on a hill with a view of the city and Canterbury Cathedral. For entertainment, the campus has its own cinema, theatre, concert hall and student nightclub. It has a reputation for being a very friendly university with a cosmopolitan environment. There are many restaurants, cafés and bars on campus and there’s also a sports centre and gym.

Everything you need on campus is within walking distance, including a general store, a bookshop, banks, a medical centre and a pharmacy. From campus, it’s a 25-minute walk or a short bus-ride into Canterbury.

Attractive location

Canterbury is a lovely city with medieval buildings, lively bars and atmospheric pubs, as well as a wide range of shops. The attractive coastal town of Whitstable is close by and there are sandy beaches further down the coast. London is under an hour away by high-speed train.

DID YOU KNOW?

In the National Student Survey 2015, Kent gained the 5th highest score in the UK for student satisfaction.
Nathanael Kent is in the second year of his degree in Asian Studies and Comparative Literature with a Year Abroad.

Why did you choose Kent?
Primarily for the flexibility of the course. There is such a wide range of modules available and you also have the opportunity to choose ‘wild’ modules – so you can really cater to your specific interests while at the same time trying out different things. Kent is also close to home, so I was already familiar with the University. I love Canterbury – it’s well located for travelling to London and further afield.

Why Asian Studies and Comparative Literature?
It marries two of my great interests: literature and theatre on the one hand and China on the other. I spent a great deal of time travelling around China during my gap year and really wanted to start learning Mandarin. This course gives you the opportunity to learn the language from scratch. I also liked the fact that the Comparative Literature course takes a world view of literature, exploring Asian, African, South American and postcolonial texts.

How is your course going?
Really well. The work is definitely getting harder, especially the language learning element, but I’m managing to cope with it. I’ve particularly enjoyed the opportunity to choose Comparative Literature modules that complement the compulsory Asian Studies modules. For example, Travel Literature includes a lot of texts that are either written by Asian authors or about Westerners going to Asia. It’s been an ideal pairing of subjects.

What about the lecturers?
They are all very committed. Support is always available if you need it and feedback on assignments is very prompt, too.

And your fellow students?
It’s not difficult to make friends because class sizes are quite small and everyone is so friendly. As Asian Studies is offered as part of a joint honours degree and the modules available are so varied, you get the chance to meet people from a wide range of different courses.

What about the facilities on campus?
I really like the fact that the campus is self-contained – everything is in one place so you don’t have to travel far. I go to the Gulbenkian Cinema a lot, it’s very affordable. The library is where I go to do all my coursework; it’s bright and airy, and there’s always a computer available. The local bus system also provides a cheap and easy way to get around if you buy a student bus pass.

What do you do in your spare time?
There are so many societies and clubs you can join. I am a member of the French Society and am also involved in amateur dramatics outside the University. As there are a lot of international students on campus, Kent runs a language exchange programme. This has enabled me to regularly meet with Chinese students to practise my Mandarin.

What are your plans for your year abroad?
I’m planning to go to Zhuhai. I don’t know South East China very well, so I’m looking forward to discovering a different part of the country and gaining a different insight into the culture. I’m excited at the prospect of living and studying in China rather than simply seeing it through the eyes of a tourist.

What are you planning to do after you graduate?
At the moment, I’m unsure. Working abroad or doing a Master’s are both options. At this stage, the possibilities are wide open.

Any advice for potential students?
Get a feel for the University and engage with the staff who will be teaching you before you make your choice. The approachability of the staff was one of the things that convinced me to come to Kent. It’s also important to choose a subject that will hold your interest. Asian Studies is a good option if you are interested in other cultures. It’s such a varied course, encompassing so many different disciplines – everything from politics and philosophy to languages and literature.
A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE

Kent equips you with essential skills to give you a competitive advantage when it comes to getting a job.

Good career prospects
According to employment statistics, Kent graduates are doing better than ever in the changeable job market. More than 95% of Kent students who graduated in 2015 found a job or further study opportunity within six months.

Asian Studies graduates may move into a variety of careers: travel, advertising, personnel, diplomacy, publishing, journalism, the media and teaching. Many graduates from the Humanities go on to postgraduate study or professional training, sometimes after a period of employment. Employers value the independent and critical thinking demonstrated by Humanities graduates, along with the insights into human ideals and motivations they have acquired.

Gain transferable skills
At Kent, we help you to acquire key skills that are highly valued by employers. Through the Asian Studies programme, you develop your abilities in many areas – getting to grips with challenging ideas, writing well, gaining confidence and experience in expressing your ideas to others. All of these are important skills and ones that we help you with during your degree.

Classroom modules
We have developed innovative classroom modules that allow you to combine your studies with work experience in a school. The modules count as credit towards your degree and offer an insight into teaching as a career. Even if teaching is not your chosen profession, the module provides a chance to gain work experience in a professional environment – something that will enhance your CV and is likely to appeal to a range of potential employers.

SECL employability
SECL has its own employability programme of events to enhance your job skills and vocational awareness during your studies. A large number of our students develop professional skills and gain hands-on experience through our wide range of paid and voluntary work opportunities. For more information on the employability support available within the School, see www.kent.ac.uk/secl/employability

Careers advice
Kent’s award-winning Careers and Employability Service can give you advice on how to choose your future career, apply for jobs, write a good CV and perform well in interviews and aptitude tests. It also provides up-to-date information on graduate opportunities before and after you graduate. For more information on what the Service offers, go to www.kent.ac.uk/employability

Placement year
Students in Asian Studies have the opportunity to take a placement year as part of their degree. This allows you to spend a year in the workplace, between Stages 2 and 3, giving you the chance to get work experience, acquire new skills and gain insight into your career options. For details, see p15.
CHOOSING YOUR PROGRAMME

Asian Studies is only available as a joint honours programme.

The options available include:

Classical & Archaeological Studies
The great strength of Classical & Archaeological Studies is the hugely interesting and varied range of subjects it includes – literature, mythology, drama, archaeology, art and architecture, history, languages and philosophy – and the way they all connect in the study of ancient civilisations, including those of Egypt, Greece, Rome and their neighbours.

Comparative Literature
The comparative study of literature transcends national and cultural boundaries to offer students a truly global world view. You do not need to be able to read a foreign language to take a Comparative Literature degree as we study translations into English of a great range of major literature from other countries alongside literature originally written in English.

English Language and Linguistics
The Kent English Language and Linguistics programme provides an opportunity to discover spoken and written language in all its complexity. Language plays a central role in everything we as human beings do, and this programme explores its many facets, allowing you to tailor your studies to suit your individual interests and possible career paths. This programme provides an excellent complement to modules in Asian languages.

French
French is one of the most beautiful and widely spoken Romance languages. Outside of France, it is spoken as far afield as Canada, the Seychelles, Madagascar and Mali, and is one of the official languages of the United Nations. This programme includes an additional year spent studying or working in a French-speaking country.

German
Both culturally and commercially, German is an extremely important language. Worldwide, it is the third most widely used language on the internet (after English and Japanese) and it is frequently used as a second language in Eastern Europe, where it serves as a means of communication across international boundaries. This programme includes an additional year spent studying or working in a German-speaking country.

Hispanic Studies
Spanish is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world – outside Spain, it is the official language of all countries in South and Central America except Brazil, and is widespread in many parts of North America. The programme at Kent gives you the opportunity to explore the languages and cultures of Spain and Spanish America while developing your language skills. This programme includes an additional year spent studying or working in a Spanish-speaking country.
**Italian**

Italy is a cornerstone in culture, art and history across Europe. By learning Italian, you give yourself a tool to explore this cultural richness and to open your eyes to its Roman heritage, the Renaissance, modern architecture, fashion and car design. The language is spoken not only in Italy but by over 15 million people in Switzerland, North America and Australia. This programme includes an additional year spent studying or working in an Italian-speaking country.

**Philosophy**

Philosophy is the study of knowledge, reality and how we construct the world and build up principles to guide us through life. As a student of Philosophy at Kent, you do not so much learn about philosophy as learn to do it yourself. This includes not only studying major philosophies and philosophers, but also contributing your own ideas to an ongoing dialogue.

**Religious Studies**

Religion is a vital element in human culture, and today religious issues are everywhere – from current affairs and international events, to the history of ideas, art and literature, and our own immediate experience and environment. There is considerable scope for overlap with Asian Studies, as you study world religions including Buddhism, Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism and Islam.
STUDYING AT STAGE 1

Stage 1 is equivalent to your first year of full-time study.

Please note that the module lists below are not fixed as new modules are always in development and choices updated yearly. Please see www.kent.ac.uk/ug for the most up-to-date information.

All students take the following module:
- Introduction to Asian Traditions.

You also take modules from your joint honours subject area. Please see the respective subject leaflet for an indication of the modules available.

In addition, you choose from the following optional Asian Studies modules:
- Learning Japanese 1A: An Introduction to Elementary Japanese
- Learning Japanese 1B: An Introduction to Upper Elementary Japanese
- Learning Mandarin 1A: An Introduction to Elementary Mandarin
- Learning Mandarin 1B: An Introduction to Upper Elementary Mandarin
- Politics and Popular Culture in Modern Japan
- World Literature: An Introduction.

Modules: Stage 1

Introduction to Asian Traditions
This module provides an historical introduction to the philosophical, religious and cultural traditions of South and East Asia. It gives you a foundation for understanding the historical development, key concepts and important practices of the major world-views of India, China and Japan with specific reference to the Hindu, Buddhist, Confucian, Daoist and Shinto traditions.

Learning Japanese 1A: An Introduction to Elementary Japanese
Here, you become familiar with the Japanese language in relation to everyday life, activities and culture in Japan. Topics for listening, speaking, reading and writing include basic conversation skills, such as greetings and introductions, talking about yourself and getting to know others, as well as elementary skills useful to people visiting Japan, including describing locations and shopping.

Learning Japanese 1B: An Introduction to Upper Elementary Japanese
Following on from Learning Japanese 1A, this introductory module provides you with further familiarity with the Japanese language, describing objects/products, talking about past events, and expressing likes and dislikes.

Learning Mandarin 1A: An Introduction to Elementary Mandarin
This module provides an introduction to listening, speaking, reading and writing Mandarin at beginners level. You learn basic everyday conversation skills and are also introduced to aspects of Chinese culture and geography.

Learning Mandarin 1B: An Introduction to Upper Elementary Mandarin
Following on from Learning Mandarin 1A, you gain further familiarity of Mandarin in relation to everyday activities and culture in China. Topics for listening, speaking, reading and writing include everyday conversation skills, such as greetings and introductions, talking about food, hobbies and time, and asking for and giving simple opinions on familiar subjects.

Politics and Popular Culture in Modern Japan
This module analyses the place of literature and film in the political marketplace of Japan. You discuss the various ways in which popular culture reflects and affects political beliefs, notably pacifism and nationalism. You also examine how recent disengagement from politics in Japan is reflected in popular fiction and film.

World Literature: An Introduction
This module introduces you to some of the most influential theories of world literature, which you study alongside a selection of literary examples, including texts from Asia, Africa, the Americas, the Near East and Europe. You reflect on the relationship between national literatures and world literature, and on the ways in which the literary market facilitates and complicates transnational exchanges of ideas.
STUDYING AT STAGE 2

Stage 2 is equivalent to the second year of full-time study.

Please note that the module lists below are not fixed as new modules are always in development and choices updated yearly. Please see www.kent.ac.uk/ug for the most up-to-date information.

All students take the following module:
- Themes in the Study of Asia.

You also take modules from your joint honours subject area. Please see the respective subject leaflet for an indication of the modules available.

In addition, you choose from the following optional Asian Studies modules:
- Hindu Religious Thought
- Indian Philosophy of Religion
- Learning Japanese 2A: Post-Beginners
- Learning Japanese 2B: Upper Post-Beginners
- Learning Mandarin 2A: Post-Beginners
- Learning Mandarin 2B: Upper Post-Beginners
- Maháyána Buddhism: The Foundations
- The Rise of China.

Modules: Stage 2

Themes in the Study of Asia
Here, you explore the cultural specificity and diversity of Asian cultures, traditions, social and political systems, and literature from a variety of disciplinary perspectives. The topic of Asia is approached on a thematic basis, but with particular emphasis on an understanding of the historical and interpretive challenges to intercultural understanding between Asia and Europe/the West.

Hindu Religious Thought
In this module, you evaluate the competing doctrines of salvation and paths to spiritual emancipation that have shaped the development of the Hindu religious tradition. You discuss a range of topics including: the relationship between mysticism and philosophy, mythology, magic and devotion; action and devotion as paths to salvation; types of contemplative practice; the role of the body in spiritual life; asceticism and pleasure as vehicles for spiritual liberation; and the role of the guru and the nature of spiritual transmission.

Indian Philosophy of Religion
Here, you explore philosophical debates and texts (in translation) of the main currents of classical Indian philosophy, focusing on Hindu and Buddhist thought but with some reference to traditions such as Jainism. You examine classic Indian approaches to key philosophical themes, such as the nature of truth, the relationship of language and reality, cosmology and theories of causality, the nature of perception, karma and rebirth, debates about the self, the relationship of consciousness and the body, the nature of liberation and valid sources of knowledge.

Learning Japanese 2A: Post-Beginners
This module is designed for those who can read and write Hiragana and Katakana comfortably and also have a command of 50 basic Kanji
Mahāyāna Buddhism: The Foundations

Mahāyāna is one of the main branches of Buddhism. This module explores the central teachings, practices and sacred texts of Mahāyāna Buddhism with a focus on the first 500 years of its history. You examine the rise and development of Mahāyāna Buddhism in India through analysis of its key sacred literature and philosophical schools, as well as its subsequent spread to East and North Asia.

The Rise of China

This module provides you with an introduction to China’s role in the world since the 1840s when it was forced to open up to the outside world, and lays a solid foundation for a detailed study of present-day China. You look at how successive Chinese leaderships have reconciled Chinese indigenous political culture with models of modernisation that originated in the West. The focus is on how indigenous and foreign models for state-building and political development have guided Chinese thinking about national rejuvenation and development.
YEAR ABROAD/ PLACEMENT YEAR

At Kent, you have the opportunity to broaden your experience by studying overseas or through a work placement.

Year abroad
Going abroad as part of your degree is an amazing opportunity and a chance for you to develop academically, personally and professionally.

You gain confidence and independence and further develop many of the transferable skills employers are looking for, such as the ability to communicate effectively and being able to plan and organise your time. You also demonstrate that you are flexible in your outlook and have the enthusiasm and drive to succeed in a new environment.

For many students, their year abroad is a life-changing experience. Having risen to the challenge of living in another country, they have a renewed belief in their ability to succeed.

If you take Asian Studies in combination with a non-language subject, you can apply to spend time studying abroad in an Asian country of relevance to your studies, either for an entire year, or for a significant period of time. For instance, Kent currently has links with Kobe University in Japan, enabling you to spend a year studying in English while immersing yourself in Asian culture.

For further details, please see the A to Z course list at www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad/opportunities

Placement year
The placement year provides the opportunity for you to gain experience in the workplace as part of your degree. The placement can be either paid work or an internship.

It gives you the opportunity to increase your contacts and networks so that you can hit the ground running when you graduate. If taken, the year is assessed on a pass/fail basis through employer feedback and a written report that you submit.

Tuition fees for the placement year are greatly reduced and employers may offer expenses or a salary.

There are many benefits to taking a placement year: it gives you the chance to gain some knowledge of the work environment, acquire new skills and develop your confidence.

For more information, see www.kent.ac.uk/humanities/studying/placement
STUDYING AT STAGE 3

Stage 3 is your the final of full-time study.

Please note that the module list below is not fixed as new modules are always in development and choices updated yearly. Please see www.kent.ac.uk/ug for the most up-to-date information.

You continue to take modules from your respective joint honours subject area, as well as modules in Asian Studies. The following Asian Studies options are available:

- Contemporary Politics of Japan
- Dissertation
- Globalisation and Development
- Hindu Religious Thought
- Indian Philosophy of Religion
- Learning Japanese 3A: Intermediate
- Learning Japanese 3B: Intermediate
- Learning Mandarin 3A: Lower Intermediate
- Learning Mandarin 3B: Upper Intermediate
- Mahayana Buddhism: The Foundations
- Modern Chinese Societies.

Modules: Stage 3

Contemporary Politics of Japan

In the immediate aftermath of the Second World War, Japan experienced major changes under American occupation. Here, you examine Japan’s domestic politics, exploring the institutions and informal practices which maintained long-term one-party-dominant rule of the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) from 1955-1993. You focus on electoral rules, the government and opposition parties, collusion between the LDP/business/bureaucracy and voting behaviour.

Dissertation

You undertake a supervised piece of research, which gives you the chance to explore a topic of particular interest in detail. You choose your topic in conjunction with your supervisor, who provides academic guidance and oversees the development of your dissertation.

Globalisation and Development

Here, you develop a critical understanding of one of the most important intellectual and political issues of our times, namely, globalisation and its relationship to development in third world societies. Central issues examined include: what is globalisation and what forms does it take? What are the most important global institutions today? How do they affect poverty, inequality, the growth of middle classes, consumption, politics and identities in developing societies in Asia, Africa and Latin America? What effects do global economic treaties under organisations such as the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) have upon rural poverty, migration, trade and urban growth? Why are Third World cities expanding at such a rapid rate, and what consequences does this have?

Hindu Religious Thought

Please see p13 for module description.

Indian Philosophy of Religion

Please see p13 for module description.

Learning Japanese 3A: Intermediate

Following on from Learning Japanese 2B, you examine grammatical structures and cultural background. You are
able to recognise 200 commonly used Kanji, and make conversation on topics of personal interest or everyday life, such as describing your experiences, reactions and hopes.

**Learning Japanese 3B: Intermediate**

Following on from Learning Japanese 3A, you complete your progress of learning Japanese to a proficient standard.

**Learning Mandarin 3A: Lower Intermediate**

In this module, you focus on communication in the immediate environment with some exposure to simple articles/TV news on current affairs. This includes how to make recommendations to

a guest at a restaurant; negotiating prices; shopping or online shopping experience; asking for a refund/an exchange; renting accommodation; illness and healthy eating; booking a hotel room online and by phone.

**Learning Mandarin 3B: Upper Intermediate**

Here, you focus on living in China. Topics include important Chinese festivals and traditions; reporting a stolen/lost item; understanding weather forecasts; requesting course details from a university; registering on a university course; opening a bank account; writing a cover letter for a job application and asking for sick leave. You read and listen to current affairs in Mandarin.

**Mahāyāna Buddhism: The Foundations**

Please see p14 for module description.

**Modern Chinese Societies**

This module provides you with a well-rounded assessment of modern China, with particular emphasis on events since the 1978 Open Door Policy initiated by Deng Xiaoping. You are introduced to key sociological concepts related to Chinese traditional society, then move on to major events that formed state-society relations in the past three decades. You are encouraged to connect China’s rise to your own life and think comparatively.
VISIT THE UNIVERSITY

Come along for an Open Day or an Applicant Day and see what it is like to be a student at Kent.

Open Days
Kent runs Open Days during the summer and autumn. These provide an excellent opportunity for you to discover what it is like to live and study at the University. You can meet academic staff and current students, find out about our courses and attend subject displays, workshops and informal lectures. We also offer tours around the campus to view our sports facilities, the library and University accommodation. For further information and details of how to book your place, see www.kent.ac.uk/opendays

Applicant Days
If you apply to study at Kent and we offer you a place (or invite you to attend an interview), you will usually be sent an invitation to one of our Applicant Days. You can book to attend through your online Kent Applicant Portal. The Applicant Day includes presentations in your subject area, guided tours of the campus, including University accommodation, and the opportunity to speak with both academic staff and current students about your chosen subject. For further information, see www.kent.ac.uk/visit

Informal visits
You are also welcome to make an informal visit to our campuses at any time. The University runs tours of the Canterbury campus throughout the year for anyone who is unable to attend an Open Day or Applicant Day. It may also be possible to arrange meetings with academic staff, although we cannot guarantee this. Alternatively, we can provide you with a self-guided tour leaflet, which includes the main points of interest. For details and to book your place, or to download a self-guided tour, go to www.kent.ac.uk/informal

More information
If you would like more information on Kent’s courses, facilities or services, or would like to order another subject leaflet, please contact us.

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We come to you
The University of Kent attends higher education fairs in the UK, mainland Europe and in many countries around the world. At these events, universities and colleges come together to give face-to-face information and guidance to prospective students.

We also have Kent overseas representatives who can give you up-to-date advice on courses, the application process, applying for a visa (if you need one), and details about living and studying in the UK. We can also arrange individual tours of campus.
On the web
For the latest departmental information on studying Asian Studies at Kent, please see www.kent.ac.uk/secl

For updates and news stories from the School, please see our website and social media sites:
www.kent.ac.uk/secl
www.facebook.com/unikentsecl
www.twitter.com/unikentsecl
www.youtube.com/unikentsecl

Location
Canterbury

Award
BA (Hons)

Degree programme
Joint honours
Asian Studies and…
• Classical & Archaeological Studies (TQ48)
• Comparative Literature (TQ42)
• English Language and Linguistics (TQ43)
• French (TR41)
• German (TR42)
• Hispanic Studies (TR44)
• Italian (TR43)
• Philosophy (TV45)
• Religious Studies (TV46)

Offer levels
Joint honours: BBB at A level, IB Diploma 34 points or IB Diploma with 15 points at Higher.

Required subjects
GCSE grade C in English Language for the English Language and Linguistics joint honours programme.
GCSE grade C in a modern European language other than English for the following joint honours subjects: French, German, Hispanic Studies, Italian.

Year abroad
Students taking a joint honours language degree (French/German/Hispanic Studies/Italian) spend a year abroad between their second and final years of study, studying or working in their chosen language (French/German/Spanish/Italian respectively.
Other students also have the opportunity to study abroad – see www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad for details.

Placement year
Students have the opportunity to apply for a placement year in the UK or abroad, working for an organisation or company as part of your studies. The placement year takes place between Stages 2 and 3. For more details, see www.kent.ac.uk/humanities/studying/placement

Scholarships and bursaries
For details of scholarships and bursaries at Kent, see www.kent.ac.uk/ugfunding

Offer levels and entry requirements are subject to change. For the latest course information, see: www.kent.ac.uk/ug

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For the University to operate efficiently, it needs to process information about you for administrative, academic, and health and safety reasons. Any offer we make to you is subject to your consent to process such information and is a requirement in order for you to be registered as a student. All students must agree to abide by the University rules and regulations at: www.kent.ac.uk/regulations
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www.kent.ac.uk/visit