Choose Kent Law School and become part of one of the leading law schools in the UK. Learn to take a critical view of the law, looking at how law shapes and is shaped by morality, public perception, politics and world events. Work on real cases in our Law Clinic and put theory into practice. Challenging and rewarding, a law degree can lead to a fascinating career.
WHY STUDY LAW AT KENT?

Inspirational teaching
Great teachers inspire and challenge. Whether they are lecturing on criminal law or sparking discussion on refugee and asylum law, our staff are skilled at bringing their subject to life. They share their research and welcome your opinions and ideas.

World-leading research
We produce world-class and influential research in many areas, which informs our teaching and seeks to make a difference in society. We are known for our focus on the role of law in creating, challenging and perpetuating social and global inequalities.

Excellent resources
Our state-of-the-art Wigoder Law Building houses a replica courtroom where you can hone your advocacy skills in a realistic setting. You have access to more than a million books, ebooks, databases and journals in the University’s Templeman Library.

Distinctive approach
You learn the detail of the law, but also discuss its history and its relationship with wider society. This critical approach helps you to develop skills in analysis and creative thinking, vital skills for a lawyer, but useful in many other professions too.

Kent Law School Skills Hub
Our Skills Hub runs during term time and offers practical support to law students who need help with their studies. It’s staffed by our graduates who currently teach undergraduate modules and allows for tailored support to help students reach their potential.

Choice of modules
You can choose from a broad and stimulating range of modules, including options to develop practical legal skills in mooting, mediation, negotiation and client interviewing. This gives you the opportunity to specialise as you progress through your degree.

Global outlook
We are a truly international law school with students and staff from around the world. You analyse the law from a global perspective and develop an understanding of international legal developments. It may also be possible to study abroad for a year.

Student law societies
The six student law societies, include the Kent Student Law Society (for aspiring solicitors) and Kent Temple Law Society (for those intending to go to the Bar). Both societies arrange a series of events where you can meet barristers and solicitors, many of whom are Kent alumni.

Career success
We prepare our students for successful careers. We offer individual careers support, professional mentoring and extensive opportunities to develop practical legal skills and network with legal professionals. Students also develop highly valuable transferable skills.
As a student you have the opportunity to work in the Kent Law Clinic, an award-winning pro-bono service, which gives local people free access to legal advice and representation. Under the guidance of qualified lawyers, you take responsibility for real cases, sometimes acting as an advocate for clients in court or at a tribunal. The Clinic offers you an unparalleled opportunity to develop your skills and see and reflect upon the practical impact of the law. The Clinic has received extensive recognition for its work, including the Kent Law Society 200th Anniversary Award in 2018. See p8 for details.

**Independent rankings**

**The Times Good University Guide 2019**
- Law at Kent ranked 11th overall

**National Student Survey 2018**
- Over 93% of final-year Law students who completed the survey were satisfied with the overall quality of their course

**Destination of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE)**
- Over 98% of Kent law graduates who responded to the most recent national survey of graduate destinations were in work or further study within six months (DLHE, 2017)

**Research Excellence Framework**
- Based on our results in the most recent Research Excellence Framework, Kent Law School was ranked 7th in the UK for research power and in the top 20 for research output

**Teaching Excellence Framework**
- Kent was awarded gold, the highest rating, in the UK government’s Teaching Excellence Framework*

*The University of Kent’s Statement of Findings can be found at www.kent.ac.uk/tef-statement
Aaron Patrick is in the final year of his Law degree at Kent.

Why did you choose Kent?
I wanted to study law and Kent is highly ranked for law, so I did some more research and thought Kent would be a good place to study. Then I discovered Kent Law Clinic, and that decided it.

Why did you want to study law?
I’ve always wanted to, my mother is a barrister at home in Trinidad and Tobago, so she would talk about her work a lot and I thought, ‘wow, that sounds good’.

How is the course going?
Well, I enjoyed my second year more than my first and I’m enjoying my third year more than my second, so it’s progressing well! In my second year, I got more involved in School life; I became a student mentor, I joined the Temple Law Society and made a lot of friends through that.

Do you have a favourite module?
When I told my Academic Adviser I wanted to be a barrister, he suggested I take a module on critical and legal reasoning. I wasn’t keen, but he explained that part of the module was assessed by a moot and that did appeal to me. We learnt how to structure different types of arguments and what things influence how you construct an argument. I had to take part in a moot for the first time, knowing it would be assessed. It was exciting and stressful, but I enjoyed it and I did really well. I was very happy that I’d listened to my Academic Adviser.

Another module I took focused on evidence. I’ve always been intrigued by what determines which facts get heard in court, so it was interesting to learn about that.

Tell us about your lecturers.
My Academic Adviser is amazing, he’s helped me so much. I think the lecturers at Kent care about their students, they get back to you if you email them and are easy to talk to if you need help. They do everything they can to make sure we do well.

And your fellow students?
Kent Law School is very diverse and when you spend time studying in the library, particularly when deadlines are looming, you really get to know one another!

What do you think of the facilities on campus?
When I arrived at Kent the Law School’s Wigoder Law Building had just opened. It houses Kent Law Clinic and a moot chamber. The Clinic is set out just as a law firm would be, so you feel as though you are going to work, it’s like walking into your future. And the moot chamber still amazes me.

Tell us about working in Kent Law Clinic.
I’m working with a supervisor on a very complex criminal case. My supervisor is great and if I don’t understand something she explains it to me and also asks me what I think and listens to my ideas. There’s a lot of work but it’s completely worth it because you learn so much, for example, how to manage client files and client expectations. We also conduct client interviews which is amazing. A friend represented a client at a tribunal and won. It’s a great way to discover if this is an environment you feel comfortable in.

What about the social life?
I’m involved in lots of things, I’m President of the Kent Law Temple Society and a School rep. There’s lots of societies, they’re a great way to get to know people and relax. And the Venue nightclub is fun.

Have you used the University’s career service?
Yes, I went to get my CV reviewed and received very good advice. There is also an adviser specifically for law, which is really useful.

What next?
I will take the steps I need to qualify as a barrister.

Any advice for somebody coming to Kent to study law?
There’s always lots to do, but don’t panic, you will get it done. Or panic a little bit – sometimes that helps you to get the work done! And get involved, it helps you to settle in to university and by being involved in the various law societies you find out about internships, and what positions are coming up.
Kent Law Clinic has received many awards for its work in providing pro-bono legal advice and representation to people who would otherwise be unable to access it. It also provides an unparalleled opportunity for undergraduate students to get involved in real legal practice under the supervision of qualified lawyers, and to enhance their degree by reflecting upon the experience.

Here, final-year Law student Emily Ham, tells us about her experiences in the Clinic and the impact they have had on her.

How do you get involved in the Clinic?
You can take the Law Clinic module, but there are also lots of other ways to get involved. You can observe external solicitors at work in the advice sessions or get a feel for how the Clinic operates by working on reception. If you can’t get a specific role, you can still sit in on the weekly meetings, where you learn about ongoing cases and can ask questions.

Did the Law Clinic module always appeal to you?
Yes, I knew it was one of the modules I wanted to take. It’s a popular module and nobody is guaranteed a place, so I decided to apply in my second year, then if I wasn’t successful I could try again in my final year. I was lucky though and joined the Law Clinic in my second year.

How does the module work?
The module runs for two terms and you study two different areas of law, I focused on employment law and immigration law. What I found interesting in one case was the difference between statutory claims (rights coming from an Act of Parliament), and contract claims (rights obtained through your employment contract). If you are suing a person in an Employment Tribunal with a contract law claim, unlike in a statutory law claim, the other party is able to bring in a counter-claim. This can make contract law claims risky for clients as they could also be sued. For this reason, in our case we advised our client not to make a contract claim.

The supervisor was then able to negotiate a settlement and our client received a payment.

While at the Clinic I advocated at a tribunal. It made me realise how precise your language has to be. In the end, the judge did not write down their judgment and they changed the wording of our amendment, making it almost impossible to argue. It was all quite unorthodox and caused a lot of trouble, but it was definitely an experience!

I also worked on some immigration cases. On one particular case, our client was looking to gain Leave to Remain in the UK. We argued that the standard for ‘insurmountable obstacles’ shouldn’t be the same for those seeking Leave to Remain as for those seeking asylum. We hoped to set a new legal precedent, but that didn’t happen. It was a very technical area of law to investigate.
though. Employment law and immigration law are both complex areas and I was lucky to be involved in some very interesting cases.

Is working on live cases nerve-racking?
In a good way. The supervisors are great because they explain clearly what you need to do and are very supportive, which gives you confidence. It can be stressful because the work you do has a real impact, but there’s lots of guidance from the supervisors, co-ordinators and your fellow students. The Clinic has a nice community feel and everyone helps everyone else.

What did you learn from working directly with clients?
Clients react to their situation in very different ways, some are very talkative, while others have to be encouraged to give you the details you need. In advance of the meeting, you talk to your supervisor about how you want the meeting to go and devise a plan to achieve that. However, when you start talking to the client, inevitably legal issues come up that you may not have predicted, so although client meetings are student-led, your supervisor is there to step in and help you.

One of the things working in the Clinic makes you realise is just how knowledgeable your supervisors are – there were times it was jaw-dropping watching them work. It was a privilege.

Do you think working in the Clinic helps with your overall studies?
Working in the Clinic gives you a different perspective on the law. It helps you to improve your skills in lots of areas, such as research and writing skills, which is very useful for all your other modules. I think particularly in your second year, when modules are more challenging, you start to doubt yourself but working in the Law Clinic really boosts your confidence and shows you that you can do it. It is a challenging but a very positive experience.

Has the Clinic helped your employment prospects?
Definitely. Getting legal work experience can be difficult and before I worked in the Clinic I didn’t have a lot. Now, though, I have experience of working with clients, drafting documents, preparing bundles for court and advocating at a tribunal.

Would you recommend the Clinic module?
Yes. It’s hard work but so interesting and it looks great on your CV.

What about Kent in general?
The lecturers in the School are all very good, they are a fantastic resource so make sure you make use of them! There is also a good mix of students in the School with people from lots of different countries who all have their own experiences of the law. The School has a real sense of community and there are lots of active law societies which help to bring people together.

What are your future plans?
I am very happy and excited to have been offered a job as a Court of Protection Assistant with a regional law firm in Maidstone.

Emily Ham is pictured above with Clinic Employment Law Adviser Tony Pullen
Choosing your degree

Our degree programmes include a wide and varied range of modules, the opportunity to spend a year abroad, to study a language, or to study another subject.

LLB Law
www.kent.ac.uk/ug/177
The single honours LLB provides a comprehensive examination of English law and an opportunity for you to pursue your interests in law through a variety of optional modules. Our wide-ranging curriculum ensures that you develop a sophisticated understanding of the law as you progress through your degree. Ordinarily taken full-time over a three-year period, it is also available on a part-time (day) basis at our Canterbury campus.

LLB Law (Senior Status)
www.kent.ac.uk/ug/1386
This degree, offered at our Canterbury campus, is suitable for anyone who already holds an undergraduate degree. The accelerated Senior Status LLB enables you to obtain a law degree in just two years.

Law (Certificate) LLB
www.kent.ac.uk/ug/3128
This innovative route within the LLB is intended for students whose grades to date may not offer a true indication of their academic potential and ability. It operates slightly lower entry requirements than the standard LLB (Hons) and requires applicants to meet contextual requirements to be eligible for consideration.

The Law (Certificate) LLB includes a more supportive introduction to the study of Law in Stage 1, with Stages 2 and 3 identical to the Law LLB.

International programme

International Legal Studies with a Year Abroad
www.kent.ac.uk/ug/855
This distinctive four-year LLB programme gives you an unparalleled opportunity to obtain a law degree with an enhanced understanding of law in an international context. It offers all the opportunities of the single honours LLB, with an additional year at one of our partner universities overseas.

Tuition during the year abroad is in English at all of our partner institutions, many of which are among the best ranked universities in the world. Our partner universities for this programme are listed on the Kent Go Abroad website: www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad/opportunities

European programmes

These four-year degrees offer three years of study at Canterbury and a year in the law faculty of one of our partner universities in mainland Europe. As well as offering a superb opportunity to experience a different culture, these degree programmes give you an understanding of a different legal system, which can be enormously beneficial to your understanding of law, and can help to set you apart from other graduates. The programmes follow the same structure as the single honours LLB, with the third year out of four spent abroad.

English and French Law
www.kent.ac.uk/ug/213
You study French law and language in your first two years at Kent, alongside the compulsory modules in English law. Your third year is spent at one of our partner universities in France and you return to Kent for your fourth and final year.

European Legal Studies
www.kent.ac.uk/ug/211
You follow the same study pattern as the LLB in Law, but spend an additional year (the third of four) at one of our partner universities in Europe with tuition entirely in English.

It is also possible to study European Legal Studies with Spanish, German, or Italian. You receive tuition in the language while at Kent and, during your year abroad, your studies are conducted in the language of the country where you are based.

International students

The Kent International Foundation Programme (IFP) is open to overseas students who narrowly miss our Stage 1 entry tariff or who fail to meet the University’s English language requirement. Passing the IFP with an overall average of 60%, including passing all components
and achieving 60% in Academic Skills Development and 60% in Law guarantees you entry on to Stage 1.

**Major/minor honours**

**Law with a Language**
This degree, offered at the Canterbury campus, is a three-year programme, which involves the study of law alongside the study of French, German or Spanish.

**Law with Quantitative Research**
On this programme, alongside your law modules, you study a series of analytical modules taught by Kent’s Nuffield-funded Q-Step Centre. As well as a law degree, you develop skills in understanding, analysing and interpreting data, which are in great demand across many graduate careers.

**Joint honours**
We offer an extensive range of joint honours LLB degree programmes, a list of which can be found on p22. Most are three years long (with the exception of Law and English, and Law and Accounting and Finance, which are four-year programmes) and contain the core foundations of legal knowledge found in our single honours programmes.

**Teaching and assessment**
Kent Law School emphasises research-led teaching which means that the modules taught are at the leading edge of new legal and policy developments. We have small, weekly seminar-group teaching in all of our compulsory modules, where you are actively encouraged to take part.

Most modules are assessed by end-of-year examinations and continuous assessment, the ratio varying from module to module, with Kent encouraging and supporting the development of research and written skills. Some modules include an optional research-based dissertation that counts for 45% or, in some cases, 100% of the final mark.

Assessment can also incorporate assessment through oral presentation and argument, often in the style of legal practice (such as mooting), and client-based work and reflection through our Law Clinic.
STUDYING ABROAD

At Kent, you have the opportunity to broaden your experience by spending a year studying overseas.

The year abroad usually takes place between Stages 2 and 3 of your degree course.

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 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 and rewarding experience. Having risen to the challenge of living in another country, they have a renewed belief in their ability to succeed.

We work with a wide range of partner universities in many countries, which currently include Canada, Finland, China (Hong Kong), Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Singapore and Spain. At the majority of our partner universities you study in English.

You need to have reached certain academic standards in Stages 1 and 2 in order to participate. Your year abroad is assessed on a pass/fail basis and doesn’t count towards your final degree classification. See www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad/opportunities/az.html for more information.
Alexandra Nadasan tells us about her year studying in Maastricht as part of her European Legal Studies degree.

Was the chance to study abroad a part of your decision to study at Kent?

Yes. I wanted my studies to be as interesting as possible and Kent’s European Legal Studies degree offered a good choice of destinations all across Europe.

Was the process of setting up your year abroad easy?

It was, the Erasmus team and director of the programme are extremely helpful and supportive and they keep in touch with you while you are abroad.

Why did you choose Maastricht?

Maastricht was my top choice because I considered it to be the best fit for me. It’s a relatively small but very diverse city and is close to my home in Germany. I also liked the problem-based learning approach employed by the university and the School’s focus on European and international law.

Are you enjoying your studies in Maastricht?

I certainly am, but I do miss Kent sometimes. At Maastricht, the year is divided into periods which means studying two courses for seven weeks, having exams and then changing to other courses. This takes some getting used to but, on the plus side, I had the chance to take many different courses in a relatively short period of time.

How would you describe your lecturers?

The lecturers and tutors are all very friendly and approachable and there’s plenty of support available from the Erasmus team.

Which modules have you enjoyed the most, and why?

I’ve found the modules on human rights very interesting, it’s an area I can see myself focusing on in the future. I am part of the team participating in the ELSA European Human Rights Moot Court Competition, which is not a module per se, but still credited. It’s been incredible, I have learnt a lot about the protection of rights under the European Convention of Human Rights and developed skills in researching, drafting and pleading.

What are the facilities like in Maastricht?

The university has two libraries, computers, printing facilities, and a sports centre with a gym, sport associations and fitness classes. There is also a Student Service Centre where you can go with any questions or enquiries.

Maastricht is a vibrant city with many international students. There are plenty of open lectures, workshops and events on the academic side. As for nightlife, there are plenty of bars and pubs in the city, and one big nightclub. I have also visited other places in the Netherlands.

How would you describe your fellow students?

They’re friendly and approachable so it’s easy to make friends.

Do you think your year abroad will help you in your studies and your future career?

I certainly do. I think you learn a lot during a year abroad, not just on the academic side but also from a practical perspective. Taking a year abroad adds to your study experience and gives you a unique story to tell, which I think is essential in a competitive job market.

What career do you hope to follow in the future?

I am in the process of weighing up my options and starting to draft applications. The paths I am looking at include: continuing my studies by taking a Master’s; going into legal practice as a solicitor or barrister; teaching or working within European or international human rights organisations.

Any advice to somebody thinking of coming to Kent and spending a year abroad?

I definitely recommend doing it – Kent has great ties with many universities and you will get a lot out of both Kent and the year abroad! For me, the past three years have been filled with incredible experiences that have helped me discover my potential, develop and improve on practical and interpersonal skills and overall grow as an individual. I am very happy studying European Legal Studies at Kent and I think you will be too!
YOUR STUDY PROGRAMME

Your studies are divided into three stages: Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3. You study a progressive, interdisciplinary curriculum which develops your understanding of law as you progress through your degree.

Key legal principles and concepts (often referred to as the foundations of legal knowledge) are covered in compulsory modules, which are complemented by a large and open choice of optional modules in law, a language, or modules from your joint degree subject.

If you are studying the LLB in Law or the Law (Certificate) LLB you begin to choose modules at Stage 2, and at Stage 3 you are able to choose all your modules from the wide selection of options available. This allows you to shape your degree to your interests.

Those taking a joint honours LLB or an LLB containing a language take modules associated with this aspect of their studies. As a result, some compulsory modules in law are studied later in the degree, with Criminal Law becoming Advanced Criminal Law when taken at a later Stage.

Those taking the Senior Status LLB complete the compulsory Stage 1 modules in their first year (technically Stage 2), taking Advanced Criminal Law in place of Criminal Law, and another module in place of A Critical Introduction to Law.

Module information

Please note: these module lists are not fixed as new modules are always in development and choices are updated yearly. The details are correct at the time of publication (June 2019). Please see www.kent.ac.uk/ug for the most up-to-date information.

To read a full description of any of the modules listed, go to www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules and search for the module code.

Stage 1

Compulsory modules:
- Criminal Law (LW508)
- A Critical Introduction to Law (LW313)
- The English Legal System and Skills (LW327)
- Foundations of Property (LW316)
- Introduction to Obligations (LW315)
- Public Law 1 (LW588).

Students taking the Law (Certificate) LLB also take:
- Performing Effectively in Law (LW335).

Students taking English and French Law also take a French language module.
Stages 2 and 3

Compulsory modules

The compulsory modules studied at Stages 2 and 3 vary according to your chosen programme, but those ordinarily undertaken during these Stages are:

- Equity and Trusts (LW598)
- European Union Law (LW593)
- Land Law (LW599)
- The Law of Contract (LW650)
- The Law of Tort (LW651)
- Public Law 2 (LW592).

Those taking English and French Law also take:
- Droit Français (LW539).

Specialist additional modules

Specialist additional modules give you the opportunity to develop practical legal skills. Offered on an extra-curricular basis, they can lead to participation in national and international competitions.

- Client Interviewing (LW625)
- Mediation (LW639)
- Mooting (LW638)
- Negotiation (LW637)

Optional modules

We offer a wide range of optional modules, such as the following (note that not all modules are available every year):

- Advanced Topics in Property Law: the Politics of Ownership (LW609)
- Advanced Topics in Tort Law (LW652)
- Appropriate Dispute Resolution, Theory and Practice (LW626)
- Art and Cultural Heritage Law (LW583)
- Asylum and Refugee Law (LW647)
- Banking Law (LW582)
- Clinical Option (working with Law Clinic clients under supervision) (LW543)
- Company Law and Capitalism (LW520)
- Comparative Law (LW522)
- Consumer Law (LW631)
- Critical Law and Practice of International Business Transactions (LW629)
- Critical and Legal Reasoning (LW640)
- Environmental Law 1 (LW585)
- Environmental Law 2 (LW586)
- Family Law (LW591)
- Forensic Science in Criminal Trials (LW584)
- Homelessness, Law and Policy (LW646)
- Human Rights and English Law (LW509)
- Immigration Law (LW648)
- Intellectual Property Law (LW556)
- International Economic Law (LW632)
- International Human Rights Law in Context (LW644)
- International Humanitarian Law (LW643)
- International Law: Principles and Sources (LW642)
- International Law and Global Problems (LW645)
- Labour Law (LW624)
- Law Dissertation (LW563)
- Law Dissertation (1 unit option) (LW566)
- Law Dissertation (autumn option) (LW611)
- Law and International Development (LW616)
- Law and Literature and Film (LW581)
- Law and Medical Ethics (LW519)
- Law and Social Change (LW570)
- The Law of Evidence (LW518)
- Law of the Dead Hand: Inheritance and Intergenerational Justice (LW656)
- Law, Space and Power (LW635)
- Legal Ethics: Exploring the Ethics of Lawyers and Lawyering (LW617)
- Mental Health Law (LW636)
- Morality and Law (LW604)
- The Philosophy of Law (LW540)
- Policing (LW542)
- Privacy, Data Protection and Cybersecurity Law (LW641)
- Race, Sexuality and Gender Justice (LW654)
- The Skills of Argument – How to Argue and Win (LW589)
- Skills in Legal Interpretation (LW594)
- Sports Law (LW655).

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Aaron Patrick
Law LLB
See p7 for full profile.
SUPERB STUDY SUPPORT

We’ll support you throughout your time at Kent, from helping you adjust to university study to discussing module choices and essay topics with you.

You are assigned an academic adviser in your first year, and they help you get the most from your degree programme. They meet with you regularly to discuss general academic issues or specific assignments. They assist you in developing academic skills and refer you to other sources of help if you need it.

Peer support

The best advice often comes from people who’ve been in your situation. The Law School will give you a student mentor to help point you in the right direction for advice and support.

Peer mentors can help you settle in to university life and find your feet. They can help you to discuss ideas and improve your study skills as you progress through your first year.

Study skills advice

Successful students take control of their own learning. Kent’s Student Learning Advisory Service (SLAS) can help you to increase your competence and confidence and fulfil your potential. You can request a one-to-one appointment or attend workshops on a diverse range of topics, from making the most of lectures to writing well and avoiding plagiarism. You also have access to the Kent Law School Skills Hub, a physical and online space designed to help support you with your studies.

Student support and wellbeing

You might need extra help to get the most from university. If you have a medical condition, specific learning difficulty, mental health condition or disability, the Student Support and Wellbeing team is there to support you.

The team is committed to improving access to learning for all students at Kent and can assist with many things, including:

- arranging note-takers, signers and other support workers for you
- discussing exam access arrangements
- helping you with emotional, psychological or mental health issues
- applying for relevant funding to support you.

Find out more at: www.kent.ac.uk/studentsupport

“Peer mentoring is open to absolutely everyone. We’ve signed up to be peer mentors and we really do want to help, so take advantage of it.”

Evangeline Agyeman
Peer mentor
A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE

What do you hope to do once you have your degree? Whether you have a specific career path in mind or haven’t thought much beyond university, we can help you to achieve success in the future.

Build your CV
Your degree studies help you to develop skills such as analysing information, thinking critically, expressing yourself clearly, solving problems, and working independently and as part of a team. These transferable skills are widely valued by employers in all sectors.

At Kent, you have lots of other great opportunities to enhance your skills. For instance, you could:
• join a society or sports club (even better – get involved in running it)
• volunteer in the community
• work in a part-time job or take up a summer internship
• represent your fellow students as a student rep, or become a student ambassador
• learn a new language or skill with Study Plus.

Getting involved like this means that you can earn Employability Points, which you can exchange for employability rewards. The more points you earn, the more valuable the rewards. We work with local, national and international employers to offer internships, work experience and a range of other activities that prepare you for the world of work.

Professional experience
Legal employers are particularly impressed by the wide range of activities that Kent students have been involved in – most notably the Law Clinic, with mooting, negotiation, mediation and client interviewing also of great value.

Other aspects of the Kent degree, which are of particular interest to legal employers, include our graduates’ expertise in the use of electronic legal resources. Our critical approach to law is also valued by employers because it produces a deep understanding of how the law works. This is useful in a wide range of career options, not just professional legal practice.

Our Employability and Careers Development Officer has an Employability blog, which offers a window on the variety of placement, internships, expert advice and work experience opportunities available to you, see: http://blogs.kent.ac.uk/klsemployability

Professional qualification
All of our programmes offer the opportunity to obtain a Qualifying Law Degree to entrants in 2019 and 2020. Please see p19 for important information about Qualifying Law Degrees.

Find a great job
Our graduates go into a range of legal careers: as solicitors or barristers in private practice, lawyers in companies, local authorities, central government and its agencies, or in the institutions of the European Union, the UN, and NGOs. Employers outside the legal professions, such as in finance and banking, are also keen to receive applications from law graduates. In addition, many students study law for academic interest, without wishing to use it directly in their career.

Visit our careers fair to talk to potential employers and use our award-winning Careers and Employability Service for advice on preparing your CV. Our track record speaks for itself: over 98% of Kent law graduates who responded to the most recent national survey of graduate destinations were in work or further study within six months. (DLHE, 2017)
Monifa Walters-Thompson graduated from Kent in 2013 with a Law LLB. She now works as a barrister at Garden Court Chambers in London, specialising in family law.

What practical experience did you gain at Kent?
I did the Kent Law Clinic module and moots as a graded option for my property law exam. Both of those gave me an insight into being on my feet.

What careers support did you receive?
There was a lot of support from the School; they organised networking meetings in London, a mentoring programme and a competition with a mini-pupillage attached.

I’m the first person in my family to go into the law and the School helped me to foster connections with the legal profession. Thanks to that, I was able to do a mini-pupillage with a Kent Law School graduate (who’s now a senior junior family barrister) and I went on to work for her a few years later. That was brilliant.

What type of work do you do?
I’m a self-employed family barrister at Garden Court Chambers in London. The work that I do is both public and private law.

Public law is generally when the state makes applications to take children into their care. Private law is anything from parents disagreeing about how much time they spend with their children to contested divorces and finance cases.

As a junior, I’m building my practice, but have represented all parties in care proceedings, numerous private law and injunction matters and even a foreign contested divorce case.

What does being self-employed involve?
I’ve been a tenant at Garden Court Chambers since April 2018. I work for myself, but under the umbrella of chambers. Cases come into chambers itself or directly to me through the clerks. The clerks in chambers then organise your diary, which tells you where you need to be on what day. There’s flexibility in where you can work: from home or at chambers.

Being a self-employed barrister means you do not get a regular salary and work is not predictable, you may end up with hours free in the afternoon, then needing to work all night for a late instruction the next day! As long as you can structure your life around all of this, and that’s the life you want to live, then it works quite well.

You’re now a mentor to Kent law students. How does that work?
I will go through my mentee’s job applications and CVs and I recently gave my mentee a mini-pupillage so she followed me for a week. With mentoring, if you both put in the effort you both get a lot out of it.

How do the skills you gained at Kent help you now?
I took two dissertations in my final year and that got me into setting my own deadlines and planning my work. Working as a barrister is quite fluid so if you don’t have rules for yourself about how you work then you’re going to fall behind.

I did the Family Law module at Kent, which is directly applicable to what I’m doing now. Then, there’s so much that you learn about life while you are at university. I couldn’t put my finger on each of those skills or all of that knowledge, but I know it has contributed to where I am now, and I am very happy with that.

What are your plans for the next few years?
When you’re a tenant, your clerks have a discussion with you about what sort of cases you want to be doing and the type of practice you want to make. My plans are to stay here at chambers, building my practice and getting an even spread of work in the areas that I’m interested in. I’m going to build, improve and learn.

Any advice for someone about to start a law degree at Kent?
Work hard, do your best and try and get yourself into good routines so you’re getting everything done and still enjoying yourself. A Kent graduate advised me to take a ‘wild’ module from another school. I did that with Classics and enjoyed the change of focus. It really rounded out my experience at Kent.
Choosing a university is a big step, so it’s important to find out as much as you can before you make your decision. Come and visit us to see what we can offer you.

Open Days
Open Days are a great way to find out what life as a student at Kent is like. For instance, you can:

- learn more about the course you are interested in at a subject presentation
- ask questions – talk to the academic teams at the information stands
- experience our teaching at a taster lecture*
- find out about student finance, opportunities to study abroad and extra-curricular activities such as those run by Kent Sport.

Explore the campus at your own pace on the self-guided walking tour. You can visit different types of accommodation, chat to current students and enjoy the stunning views over the city of Canterbury.

Open Days are held in the summer and autumn. Book your place at www.kent.ac.uk/opendays

Applicant Days
If you apply to Kent and we offer you a place (or ask you to come for an interview), you will usually be invited to an Applicant Day. Applicant Days run in the autumn and spring terms and are an opportunity to find out about the course in more detail. You spend time with your academic school meeting staff and current students, and take part in activities that give you a flavour of your prospective course and university life.

Informal visits
If you can’t make it to an Open Day or Applicant Day, you can still visit us. We run tours of the campus throughout the year.

If you live outside Europe, we appreciate that you might find it difficult to attend our scheduled events, so we can arrange a personal campus tour for you and your family.

Let us know you’re coming
Scheduled tours and personal campus tours (for international students) need to be booked in advance – you can do this via www.kent.ac.uk/informal

Meet us in your country
Our staff regularly travel overseas to meet with students who are interested in coming to Kent. We also have strong links with agents in your home country who can offer guidance and information on studying at Kent. To find out more, visit www.kent.ac.uk/courses/international

Self-guided tours
If you prefer to explore on your own, you can download a self-guided walking tour at: www.kent.ac.uk/informal or pick up a copy from us.

A self-guided audio tour is available too, which allows you to learn about Kent without even leaving home. See www.kent.ac.uk/courses/visit/informal/audio-tour.html

Explore online
If you can’t come and see us, you can find out more about the academic team, the course and extra-curricular events online at: www.kent.ac.uk/law

Keep in touch with us via social media:

- www.facebook.com/KentLawSchool
- www.twitter.com/KentLawSchool
- www.youtube.com/LawAtKent

Contact us
If you would like more information on Kent’s courses, facilities or services, please contact us on: T: +44 (0)1227 768896
www.kent.ac.uk/ug

*Programme of events varies according to subject.
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Location
Canterbury

Award
LLB (Hons)

Programme type
Full-time and part-time

Degree programmes

Single honours
• Law (M100)
• Law (Certificate) LLB (M105)
• Law (M106) (Senior Status)

International programme
• International Legal Studies with a Year Abroad (M131)*

European programmes
• English and French Law (M121)*
• European Legal Studies (M120)*
• European Legal Studies with German (M126)*
• European Legal Studies with Italian (M127)*
• European Legal Studies with Spanish (M128)*

Major/minor honours
• Law with a Language (French or German) (M124)
• Law with a Language (Italian) (M1R3)
• Law with a Language (Spanish) (M1R4)
• Law with Quantitative Research (M1G3)

Joint honours
Law and…
• Accounting and Finance (NM41)*
• Criminology (MM19)
• Economics (ML11)
• English Literature (MQ13)*
• History (VM1C)
• Management (MN13)
• Philosophy (MV15)
• Politics (LM21)
• Social Anthropology (ML16)
• Sociology (LM31))

Offer levels
A levels AAA-ABB (over three A levels or equivalent), IB Diploma 34 points or IB Diploma with 17 points at HL. We also accept a wide variety of national and international qualifications for entry – please contact us for further details.
M131: A levels AAA (over three A levels or equivalent), IB Diploma 34 points or IB Diploma with 17 points at HL.
M105: BBC (at A level or equivalent). There are additional criteria applicants must meet; for details see www.kent.ac.uk/ug
M106: First undergraduate degree with a 2.1/B average.
BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma applicants are assessed on an individual basis, with typical offers at DDD, please contact us for more information.
Access applicants are assessed on an individual basis, please contact us for more information.

Required subjects
M121: A level grade B in French or German.
M1R4, M124: GCSE at grade B/6 or above in a modern European language other than English.
ML11, NM41: GCSE Mathematics grade B/6.
MQ13: English Literature or English Language and Literature A level grade B.

Professional recognition
Our degree programmes contain the foundations of legal knowledge required by the Bar Standards Board to satisfy the academic component of professional training for intending barristers. For entrants in 2019 and 2020 who wish to qualify as a solicitor, our programmes can lead to the award of a Qualifying Law Degree, validated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority. They also provide a strong foundation for students who may wish to take the Solicitors Qualifying Examinations (SQE) in the future.

Our critical approach to law and legal practice enables students to develop creative intellectual and transferable skills which prepare them for contemporary legal practice – in the UK and worldwide, and for successful careers in many fields.

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