MA CRIMINOLOGY WITH A SEMESTER ABROAD

This programme provides advanced understanding of all aspects of crime, criminality and justice systems alongside the opportunity to study at one of our international partner universities.

Reasons to choose this programme

• It is based in the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research (SSPSSR), which was ranked 2nd in the UK for research power in the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014.
• It gives you a multidisciplinary perspective on the sociology of crime and its application to criminal justice policy in an international context.
• You spend either the spring or summer semester at one of our partner universities. Current partners include: CUNY Graduate Center, New York; ELTE University, Budapest; Erasmus University, Rotterdam; Ghent University; University of Hamburg; John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York; Utrecht University.
• You experience study in a different country, building the skills, flexibility and outlook for organised and independent mobility in your future career.
• It is based in an excellent location in the historic city of Canterbury, with easy access by train to London, Paris and Brussels.

Programme options

Spring semester abroad
You take modules at your chosen partner university, returning to Kent for the summer term to complete your dissertation.

Summer semester abroad
You study three modules at Kent in the spring term, then research your dissertation at your chosen partner university during the summer term and vacation.

Compulsory modules

Theories of Crime
This module traces the development of criminological theory, starting with positivism and classicism, moving onto the Chicago School and subsequently to more contemporary theoretical approaches, such as labelling theory, rational choice theory, realist criminology and cultural criminology.

Research Methods in Criminology
You gain a thorough understanding of the theories, logic and methods underpinning criminological research and learn the principles required to design, conduct and interpret empirical research.

Programme director

Dr Phil Carney
Dr Carney’s research interests are in the fields of visual, cultural and critical criminology. He is also the Kent co-ordinator for the Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorate in Cultural and Global Criminology (DCGC).

How to apply

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“The chance to spend a semester in New York was an experience like no other. I got to consolidate my own thoughts and ideas and put them into practice in a unique, vibrant and academically stimulating environment; it exceeded all of my expectations and gave me a more well-rounded postgraduate experience overall.”

Emma Cooke
MA Criminology with a Semester Abroad