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Canterbury and Brussels
I am delighted that you are interested in studying an LLM at Kent Law School.

Kent Law School is one of the UK’s leading critical law schools and has long been a pioneer of critical legal education. In our teaching and our research, we look at law as a network of social, political and economic relations. As well as being interesting and insightful, this way of thinking about law gives you excellent skills for your legal or other career aspirations.

We are proud of our flexible and specialised Master’s programmes and our rich and engaging academic environment that seeks to educate, challenge and provoke you. During your Master’s, you study with leading experts in a vibrant, diverse and international community.

I hope you find the information about studying at Kent in the following pages helpful.

We look forward to welcoming you to Kent Law School.

Professor Toni Williams
Head of Kent Law School
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INTRODUCTION

As a postgraduate student at Kent Law School, you become part of a cosmopolitan and intellectually stimulating community. You work with leading academic experts benefitting from the School's world-class critical, socio-legal research.

The Kent LLM is flexible. Our open choice of modules and pathways means you can tailor your study to your needs and interests. Our programmes are open to graduates from a relevant discipline and are offered at the University of Kent in Canterbury and at Kent's Brussels School of International Studies.

World-class critical legal research

As a postgraduate student you are taught by researchers who are national and international leaders in their fields and whose teaching is informed by their research. Academics at Kent Law School publish regularly in leading journals, conference proceedings and books. They engage in public debates about law in national and international media and contribute to government consultations on proposed reforms of the law.

Staff research interests can be found at www.kent.ac.uk/law/people

In the most recent Research Excellence Framework (REF), Kent Law School was in the top 20 for research output, research quality and research impact; 99% of our research was judged to be of international quality with 79% of that world-leading or internationally excellent. Based on our results in the REF, the Times Higher Education ranked Kent Law School 8th in the UK for research intensity.

Our research centres and groups offer a range of events, which are open to all postgraduate students. They include:
- Kent Centre for Law, Gender and Sexuality
- Centre for Heritage at Kent
- Centre for Critical International Law
- Centre for Critical Thought
- Commercial Law Discussion Group.

The Law School also regularly hosts visiting academics from around the world.

Open and flexible Master's

Our Master's programme allows you to develop in depth expertise by studying one or two specialised subject areas (or pathways). Alternatively, you can choose to study for an LLM with no specialist pathway.

We offer 10 taught subject pathways at Kent's Canterbury campus and two at our Brussels centre.

At Canterbury we offer:
- Criminal Justice
- Human Rights
- Intellectual Property Law
- International Commercial Law
- International Criminal Justice
- International Environmental Law and Policy
- International Law
- International Law with International Relations
- Medical Law and Ethics.

At Brussels we offer:
- Human Rights Law
- International Law.

You can study the LLM full-time or part-time. To give you even more flexibility, you can choose to start your LLM in September or January. You can also choose to spend one term at our Canterbury campus and one term at our Brussels centre under our split-site option.

We welcome graduates from outside of law, who have an appropriate academic or professional background and who wish to develop an advanced understanding of law in their field.

You can also choose to study for a postgraduate certificate or diploma.

Highly ranked school


Law at Kent is also ranked in the top 50 in the world in the Times Higher Education World University Ranking by Subject 2018, and in the top 100 in the world in the
Shanghai Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2018.

Teaching excellence

We are committed to outstanding teaching, inspiring our students to excel academically and professionally. The University of Kent was awarded gold, the highest rating, in the UK Government’s Teaching Excellence Framework in 2017*.

Our innovative approach to teaching brings the law to life. The School has long pioneered a critical approach to the study of law, that places law in the wider context of society. While we teach you about legal rules and principles, we also ensure you understand the contexts in which laws are created; what laws seek to do; and what are their effects. You gain a thorough grounding in the detail of law, are taught to think about its history and development, and the moral and ethical considerations which shape its development. You develop skills in analysis and creative thinking that are vital to lawyers and useful in many other professions.

You are taught in lectures and in small group seminars, so you really get to know your lecturers. Staff at all levels are friendly, approachable and deeply invested in your success.

A global outlook

Studying at Kent is a truly international experience. Staff and students come from around the world, with over 87 nationalities represented within the Law School. Our LLM pathways equip you with the knowledge and understanding to operate successfully in today’s international environment and many of our LLM subject pathways have an international focus.

Impressive career prospects

A postgraduate qualification from Kent opens up a wealth of career opportunities by providing an impressive portfolio of skills and specialist knowledge.

Kent has an excellent record for postgraduate employment: of Kent postgraduate students who graduated in 2017, over 92% of those who responded to a national survey were in work or further study within six months. (DLHE)

Award-winning law library

Our law library has long been a leader in the development of electronic resources for legal teaching and research. The extensive and up-to-date law collection in the University’s Templeman Library is particularly strong on electronic material, and the Electronic Law Library includes numerous legal databases, which are invaluable tools for research. In addition, you can access the text of thousands of law journals online. Our law librarian is available to train you to use these resources and runs regular legal research classes with postgraduate students.

*The University of Kent’s Statement of Findings can be found at www.kent.ac.uk/tef-statement
Prior to studying for an LLM at Kent, Luminita Olteanu had been practising law for six years.

What attracted you to Kent?
One of the main reasons was the amount of choice Kent’s LLM offers. Having the opportunity to choose from so many modules was very attractive. Initially, my specialisation was in intellectual property law but as my modules overlapped with those on the international commercial law specialisation, I now have a double specialisation. I was also attracted to the critical law ethos of the School.

Did you visit Kent before you began your studies?
Only virtually, it is actually better in real life! I am from Bucharest and this is the first time I have spent an extended period away from home. I have settled in fairly quickly. People are very nice here and the staff try hard to give you the best experience they can. There is a lot of energy and resources invested in the welfare of students and you are encouraged to give feedback if you think something could be improved.

I live on campus in Woolf College, which is very nice. At first, I wasn’t sure, but now I am convinced that it is a good thing because you have a chance to socialise and network with people from other countries. It is time efficient as well because everything is here and you don’t have to commute.

Was it difficult to return to studying?
I always wanted to do a Master’s abroad and having been at work for six years I thought this was my last chance. I felt it would be good for me personally and would also help me to move forward in my career.

How is the course going?
The lecturers are very flexible and friendly and give good feedback. I have only good things to say about them. My modules have exceeded my expectations; the convenors are inspiring, they broaden your mind with their ideas – sometimes I think about a question they raise for days afterwards. I used to think mainly in a practical, client-related, solution-oriented way, I didn’t challenge the premises behind the law, but now I think more creatively about the law and its impact.

What about your fellow students?
I think there are around 100 law postgraduate students but given the number of available modules (around 70), the class sizes in individual modules are often quite small. There are around 15 people in my seminars, which means the convenor can focus on all the students and you always get the chance to contribute. We are a diverse group, I know people from countries in Africa, Asia and Europe, it is a great experience because talking directly to them gives you the chance to develop your own ideas about a country and its people rather than relying on stereotypes.

Are the resources for postgraduate students good?
I like the library very much it is a very nice area to study; you can get a book and a coffee, just perfect. There is a lot to get involved in. For example the Global Skills Award is a very good opportunity to develop your skills. There is a series of workshops on leadership, negotiation and mediation skills as well as guest lectures on current topics.

And the city of Canterbury is very picturesque, with lots of shops and restaurants. It’s a lovely place to spend time.

What are your future plans?
My lecturers have already mentioned the possibility of doing a PhD. I hadn’t really considered it before, but I am considering it now. If I decide not to do a PhD, I am convinced that my Master’s will help me when I return to work. It has given me time to research areas I am interested in, to analyse the law and to discuss my ideas with other people. Every day I put another brick in my wall of knowledge.

Would you recommend this course?
Absolutely. The facilities are great, the people are great and it is a wonderful location. I enjoy the style of learning here, you have to work independently and take responsibility for your learning, which I think is a good thing. I think doing this course has changed me for the better, so come with an open mind and you will definitely benefit.
Our LLM and Diploma programmes are open and flexible. You can specialise in one area (pathway) of law, study one major and one minor pathway or take a broad approach with no specialist pathway.

The pathways currently offered are:
- Criminal Justice
- Human Rights
- Intellectual Property Law
- International Commercial Law
- International Criminal Justice
- International Environmental Law and Policy
- International Law
- International Law with International Relations
- Medical Law and Ethics.

Choosing your pathway
You do not have to choose your pathway until after you arrive at Kent. Your choice of pathway is shaped by the modules you take and your dissertation topic. To be awarded an LLM in a single pathway, at least three of your six modules must be chosen from those associated with that pathway and your dissertation must focus on that area of law. The other three modules can be chosen from any offered in Kent Law School.

To be awarded a major/minor pathway you take three modules associated with one pathway, and three from another pathway, with the dissertation determining which is your ‘major’ pathway.

For example, a student who completes at least three modules in International Commercial Law and completes a dissertation in this area would graduate with an LLM in International Commercial Law; a student who completes three Criminal Justice modules and three International Environmental Law and Policy modules and whose dissertation engages with Criminal Justice would graduate with an LLM in Criminal Justice and International Environmental Law and Policy.

It is possible to design your own programme of study, (see p9).

Teaching and assessment
All our programmes can be studied full-time or part-time. (See p11 for one student’s experience of part-time study.) You can start your LLM studies in September or in January.

September start
On the LLM programme in Canterbury starting in September, you study one year full-time or two years part-time. You study three modules in the autumn term (September-December) and three in the spring term (January-April). The modules are normally assessed by a 5,000-word essay. You also write a dissertation of 15,000 words over the summer.

January start
On the LLM programme in Canterbury starting in January, you study 15 months full-time or 28 months part-time. You study three modules in the spring term (1) (January-April) and three in the following autumn term (September-December). You write your dissertation in the following year in spring term (2) (January-April).
During the long summer vacation following the spring term (1), you participate in an online legal skills module. You may also wish to explore work experience and internships which you feel may be beneficial to your studies and future career.

**Entry requirements**
A first or good second class honours degree in law or a related subject. In some cases, students who achieve a high 2:2 may be considered and the School may take account of relevant work experience when considering applications.

**Other awards**
Postgraduate Diploma and Certificate options are also available, where students take taught modules only. Please contact the Kent Law School Postgraduate Office for more details.

**Studying in Brussels**
You can also choose to spend one term at our Canterbury campus and one term at our Brussels centre under our split-site option. (Please note fees for our split-site option differ from those of Canterbury-only and Brussels-only programmes.) Please contact us for details. For information about our year-long Brussels programmes, see p21.

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**OPTIONAL MODULES**

Alongside modules related to your pathway, you can choose optional modules from the wide range available within the School. Modules available may include:

**Canterbury**
- Banking Law
- Climate Change and Renewable Energy Law
- Commercial Credit
- Consent to Treatment
- Contemporary Topics in Intellectual Property Law
- Corporate Governance
- Critical International Migration Law
- Cultural Heritage Law
- Death and Dying
- Environmental Quality Law
- European Union Citizenship and Residence Rights – Clinical Option
- Global Security Law
- Intellectual Property 1: Copyright and Breach of Confidence
- Intellectual Property 2: Patents and Trade Marks
- International Business Transactions
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Criminal Law
- International Environmental Law – Legal Foundations
- International Financial Services Regulation
- International Human Rights Law
- International Trade Law and the Environment
- Land Development and Conservation Law
- Law and the Humanities 1: Ethos and Scholarship
- Law and the Humanities 2: Current Issues in Law and the Humanities
- Policing
- Privacy and Data Protection Law
- Public International Law
- Transnational Criminal Law
- Medical Practice and Malpractice
- Reproduction and the Beginning of Life.

**Brussels**
For details of modules available at the Brussels School of International Studies, see p21.

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

- Law LLM An individualised programme of legal studies
- Criminal Justice
- Human Rights Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- International Commercial Law
- International Criminal Justice
- International Environmental Law and Policy
- International Law
- International Law with International Relations
- Medical Law and Ethics
In addition to the specialist pathways featured on the following pages, we also offer an LLM that allows you to take a broader view of the law, giving you expertise across a range of areas.

This LLM is particularly useful for those who wish to broaden as well as deepen their legal knowledge. On this LLM, you are able to create a programme of study that meets your particular needs. Designing your own programme gives you a high level of flexibility and control and allows you to study modules in very different legal areas.

You select your modules from the wide and exciting range available on contemporary legal issues. You can choose modules from any of the pathways listed in this brochure. A supervised dissertation on a relevant agreed subject is then undertaken. Working with your supervisor, you develop an in-depth study of a particular area of law. Writing the dissertation allows you to hone your legal research and writing skills.

Students who successfully complete an individualised programme of legal studies will obtain an LLM in Law.

Course content
- Six modules drawn from those offered on the LLM pathways in Kent Law School, see pp10-19
- Dissertation of 15,000 words on a legal topic agreed with your supervisor.

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This pathway covers criminal law and procedure in the UK, internationally and comparatively.

It examines criminal justice systems from a range of perspectives, including the management of organisations, human rights, the psychological and sociological causes of criminal behaviour and social and economic perspectives.

This pathway is designed for those who already work, or intend to work, within the criminal justice system, whether for the police, probation service, prison service or other organisations with an interest in such matters.

There is close co-operation with the MA in Criminology, run by the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research. (For details of this programme, see www.kent.ac.uk/pg/173) Students on the LLM are able to take a module from the MA in Criminology. Criminology has specialists in many areas including criminological theory, research methods, youth crime, gender, cultural criminology and terrorism.

Structure
Study is divided between taught modules, which last for one term each, and dissertation work. For full-time students, a total of six modules must be taken over the first two terms. A supervised dissertation on a relevant agreed subject is then undertaken.

You take a minimum of three modules associated with this subject pathway but considerable flexibility is offered in allowing you to select your optional modules from the full range of law modules. See p7.

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

To read a full description of the modules listed, go to www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules

Modules available may include:
• European Union Criminal Law and Procedure
• Gender and Crime in a Globalised World
• International Criminal Law
• International Human Rights Law
• Policing
• Cultural Criminology
• Research Methods in Criminology
• Sociology of Violence
• Terrorism and Modern Society
• Theories of Crime
• Transnational Criminal Law.

Entry requirements
See p7.

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“I came here with the perception that a ‘fair trial’ is there to protect innocent people who are caught in the criminal justice net, but now, because of my studies here, I question myself, do I not think that guilty people are worthy of a fair trial’. I can see now that the law is not just about protecting the innocent, it’s about us, about how we as a society work”

Lukas Hornak
Criminal Justice with Human Rights Law
Watch our Criminal Justice LLM video at www.youtube.com/user/LawAtKent
PART-TIME STUDENT PROFILE

Antonia Porter, a practising freelance Criminal Prosecutor, decided she wanted a better understanding of the theory behind the law she was practising, so enrolled part-time on Kent’s LLM. She explains how she managed her work, study and being a mum of two.

How did you reach the decision to study an LLM part-time at Kent?
Having practised since 2002 as a criminal lawyer (both as a defence solicitor and then crown prosecutor), the criminal justice system in practice was familiar to me. However, I had questions about the system I was in. I wanted to understand the theory of what I did, its context and how the criminal justice system might better meet the needs of those caught within it.

What specialism did you study and why?
I specialised in Criminal Justice. At Kent, modules such as penology, the critical introduction to criminal justice, policing, the sociology of violence and transnational criminal law were particularly appealing.

What was it like to study for an LLM part-time while working?
Studying for the LLM part-time was really rewarding. Taking two years to complete the programme allowed time for proper reflection on my studies – despite the time pressures of family and work life. Of course I had to get organised and be pretty disciplined about ‘knuckling down’ during the time I had for study but I found a real motivation to learn more and dig deeper.

How do you think studying for an LLM has influenced your career?
Having completed the LLM, I knew that I wanted more of academia! I moved on to pursue a PhD and have enjoyed this in ways I could not have imagined. I am now in my third year and also work as a Graduate Teaching Assistant at Kent Law School. At this stage it’s a little too soon to say in tangible terms how my study will influence my career path, but I do know that when I prosecute in court these days I do so with my eyes open, alert to conversations and perspectives that really animate my practice (I hope for the better!).

What would you most recommend about part-time study?
I could not have completed the LLM full-time – I was not time rich! – so being part-time allowed me to juggle being a mum and paid work in court. Being part-time didn’t mean that I was on my own though, I met lovely colleagues who were also in the same boat and we were able to support each other over the two years.

What advice would you give someone who is thinking about studying for an LLM part-time?
If you have a real interest in your area of study – go for it! You will find drive and enthusiasm from the stimulating environment here at Kent, the passionate teaching staff and being among inspiring students. Kent’s critical approach to the study of law allows interdisciplinarity and freedom to pursue the aspects of law and law in society that pique your curiosity most.
HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

On this pathway, you examine human rights protection at national, regional and international levels.

It is particularly suited to those who currently work in, or hope to work in, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, international law firms and foreign affairs departments. It is also suited to those who want to develop a human rights practice in a domestic law context.

You are encouraged to participate in the activities, including workshops and guest lectures, of the Centre for Critical International Law (CeCIL) (see p30).

Structure

For full-time students, study is divided between taught modules, which last for one term each, and dissertation work. A total of six modules must be taken over the first two terms. A supervised dissertation on a relevant agreed subject is then undertaken.

You take a minimum of three modules associated with this pathway but considerable flexibility is offered in allowing you to select your remaining modules from the full range of law modules. See p7.

Modules

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Modules available may include:

- Critical International Migration Law
- Cultural Heritage Law
- European Union Citizenship and Residence Rights – Clinical Option
- European Union Criminal Law and Procedure
- Global Security Law
- International Criminal Law
- International Human Rights Law
- Policing.

Entry requirements

See p7.

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“The beauty of doing a specialism is that you study what you love! All my modules raise human rights questions. For instance, in Global Security Law we are having an ongoing debate about whether human rights law should be ‘compromised’ when enforcing preemptive security measures against terrorism. I hope people will specialise in human rights law because I believe it matters a great deal.”

Faouzia El Soudani
Human Rights Law LLM
Read more from Faouzia at our blog: https://blogs.kent.ac.uk/klssllm/
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

On this pathway you gain exceptional, in-depth knowledge, which will allow you to practise intellectual property law or work in the creative industries. It also provides an excellent intellectual foundation for you if you wish to pursue a research degree in the field.

You develop a detailed insight into the dynamic and growing area of intellectual property law by taking a distinctively contextual approach: delineating its histories, materialisations and practices, as well as analysing their conceptual foundations and questions.

You are introduced to critical, practical and socio-historical approaches to the framing and studying of intellectual property related problems.

Taught by distinguished academic specialists, our modules cover a large and diverse range of intellectual property subjects within and beyond the field.

You graduate with the knowledge and expertise required to pursue a professional or academic career in this contemporary and developing discipline.

Structure
For full-time students, study is divided between taught modules, which last for one term each, and dissertation work. A total of six modules must be taken over the first two terms. Supervised dissertation work on a relevant agreed subject is then undertaken.

You must take a minimum of three modules associated with this pathway but considerable flexibility is offered in allowing students to select the remaining optional modules from the full range of law modules.

Modules
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To read a full description of the modules listed, go to www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules

Modules available may include:
• Contemporary Topics in Intellectual Property Law
• Cultural Heritage Law
• Intellectual Property 1: Copyright and Breach of Confidence
• Intellectual Property 2: Patents and Trade Marks

• Intellectual Property and Industry Practices
• Privacy and Data Protection Law
• World Trade Organisation (WTO) Law and Practice 1.

Entry requirements
See p7.

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“My modules have exceeded my expectations; the convenors are inspiring, they broaden your mind with their ideas – sometimes I think about a question they raise for days afterwards. I used to think mainly in a practical, client-related, solution-oriented way, I didn’t challenge the premises behind the law, but now I think more creatively about the law and its impact.”

Luminita Olteanu
Intellectual Property Law with International Commercial Law
See Luminita’s profile on p6.
Osama Memon completed his LLM in International Commercial Law in 2018.

Why did you choose this particular pathway?
Before my postgraduate studies at Kent, I practised law in Karachi, Pakistan. I chose the LLM in International Commercial law (with a minor in Intellectual Property) because much of my work related to commercial law and I wanted to improve my career prospects in this area of law. I also wanted to understand how the global political economy works and why law has developed in the way that it has. I thought Kent Law School’s critical legal perspective, where subjects that you would normally expect to be doctrinal are taught with different critical or multidisciplinary perspectives, would really help me with these ambitions.

Why did you choose Kent?
Kent is one of best critical law schools, ranked in the top 20 in the UK. My brother studied law at Kent a few years ago and it was his experience of Kent’s excellent academic tradition and the quality of research and teaching that finally convinced me. I had a very specific idea about what I wanted from my postgraduate experience, and I felt that Kent would provide what I was looking for.

What are you enjoying about your studies here?
I enjoy the interactive seminar/group discussion approach to teaching. Most students come from different backgrounds so everyone’s contribution is unique, which makes the seminars a great learning experience. I also enjoy researching and writing my essays. Having essays instead of examinations gives you more time to engage with the material on your own terms, so you gain a more in-depth knowledge of specific areas that are of interest to you.

Academically, my postgraduate programme has given me a great degree of freedom in how to approach my work. I have been able to ask deeper questions about the law and the world.

Do you have a favourite module?
Generally, I have enjoyed all my modules. I found the modules on the World Trade Organization and international law on foreign investment particularly interesting and challenging. They gave me a better perspective on how the global political-economy works.

What about the teaching?
I knew from my brother’s experience that Kent Law School had excellent teachers. However, the quality of teaching exceeded my expectations. I liked all the module convenors I had and feel very lucky to have been taught by such excellent teachers.

How would you describe your fellow students?
My fellow students were kind, respectful, helpful and intelligent. Most of my classmates were international students and came from different cultural and social backgrounds. I learnt a lot from interacting with my classmates and have made some great friends during my time here.

What are the facilities like?
The facilities are good and the Student Learning Advisory Service is also really useful. It offers advice on essay writing and workshops on other skills to help you reach your potential. Kent Law School’s Study Hub provides advice for postgraduates on writing, research, editing and referencing in essays and for your dissertation.

How do you think your studies at Kent will affect your employment prospects?
I have acquired a more analytical, critical perspective on things and have made vast improvements in my research and writing skills. I think these are important skills that employers look for in the legal profession.

Any advice for those thinking about taking this course?
Choose modules that fit your interests but don’t shy away from trying something different. Make the most of the course: engage with the seminar material, join in with discussions in seminars and ask questions. It will help you and your fellow students, and also makes the seminars more rewarding and enjoyable.
INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL LAW

This pathway opens up access to a range of occupations that require specialist expertise.

You gain the necessary intellectual tools to practise international commercial law, or work for relevant government departments, regulators and international organisations in a policymaking or advisory capacity. It also provides an excellent foundation for you if you wish to pursue a research degree in the field.

This pathway combines a thorough grounding in technical legal instruments of international commercial law with sophisticated training in interdisciplinary frameworks for analysis of global business regulation as well as reflective evaluation of the operation and effectiveness of law. Emphasis is placed upon the interaction of law with other disciplines, particularly economics and politics. Modules are taught by distinguished specialists and cover a diverse range of subjects within the field.

Structure
For full-time students, study is divided between taught modules, which last for one term each, and dissertation work. A total of six modules must be taken over the first two terms. Supervised dissertation work on a relevant agreed subject is then undertaken.

You must take a minimum of three modules associated with this pathway but considerable flexibility is offered in allowing you to select your remaining optional modules from the full range of law modules. See p7.

Modules
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Modules available may include:
• Banking Law
• Commercial Credit
• Corporate Governance
• Intellectual Property Law 1: Copyright and Breach of Confidence
• Intellectual Property Law 2: Patents and Trade Marks
• International and Comparative Consumer Law and Policy
• International Business Transactions
• International Commercial Arbitration
• International Financial Services Regulation
• International Law on Foreign Investment
• International Trade Law and the Environment
• Laws of the Maritime, Air and Outer Spaces
• World Trade Organisation Law and Practice.

Entry requirements
See p7.

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“I think it’s very important to study international law because we now live in a globalised world. I chose this pathway because it really suits my career needs. An LLM has a lot of benefits; it’s not just good for my academic profile but for my career too. I can work internationally now and that might not have been possible before.”

Carolina Mariani
International Commercial Law pathway
Discover more of what Carolina has to say at: www.kent.ac.uk/courses/profiles/postgraduate/law-cm
INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Following a pathway in International Criminal Justice, you develop a critical understanding of the operation of international and transnational criminal justice, particularly in contexts perceived to be controversial or in a state of evolution.

You learn about the main legal instruments and institutions that provide for international co-operation and prosecution of international, transnational and national crime and the impact of human rights. You combine this with critical reflection on the broader context and effectiveness of law.

There is co-operation with the MA in Criminology, run by the University’s School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research, and in addition to available law modules, you may choose one module from those available on the MA in Criminology, see right.

You are encouraged to participate in the activities, including workshops and guest lectures, of the Centre for Critical International Law (CeCIL) at Kent (see p30).

International Criminal Justice is of particular interest to those who work, intend to work, or have an interest in the fields of international and transnational criminal justice, criminal justice and human rights.

Structure
For full-time students, study is divided between taught modules, which last for one term each, and dissertation work. A total of six modules must be taken over the first two terms. Supervised dissertation work, on a relevant agreed subject, is then undertaken.

You take a minimum of three modules associated with this subject pathway but considerable flexibility is offered in allowing you to select your optional modules from the full range of law modules. See p7.

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

To read a full description of the modules listed, go to www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules

Modules available may include:
- European Union Criminal Law and Procedure
- International Criminal Law
- International Human Rights Law
- Transnational Criminal Law.

You may also choose one module from those offered on the MA in Criminology, which may include:
- Gender and Crime in a Globalised World
- Research Methods in Criminology
- Sociology of Violence
- Terrorism and Modern Society.

Entry requirements
See p7.

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“The teaching is interesting and engaging. It makes you question your personal biases and how you can effect change by changing yourself and learning more. Texts are diverse and provide a good overview of the subject. In one of my modules, I got a chance to do clinical work at Reprieve UK, which was very useful. As students we are motivated, international, well-informed and enjoy working together.”

Anamika Misra
International Criminal Justice LLM
INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY

This pathway stimulates a critical awareness of the operation of international environmental law and policy, focusing on topics that are perceived to be controversial or in a state of evolution.

You develop knowledge and understanding of the institutional structures, key principles of law and policy, and the contexts within which international law operates. You study the theoretical, social, political and scientific perspectives that underlie the substantive areas of law, as well as the practical situations in which international environmental law operates.

You gain the knowledge and expertise required to pursue a professional or academic career in this developing discipline.

Structure
For full-time students, study is divided between taught modules, which last for one term each, and dissertation work. A total of six modules must be taken over the first two terms. Supervised dissertation work on a relevant agreed subject is then undertaken.

You take a minimum of three modules associated with this pathway but considerable flexibility is offered in allowing you to select your optional modules from the full range of law modules. See p7.

Modules
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“I enjoy the way that environmental law can hold multinationals to account for violation of the environment, especially when it has to do with poor farmers or fishermen who have no voice and nobody to speak for them. I hope to practise environmental law or to teach so that I can pass knowledge on to future generations.”

Dickson Esonarae
International Law with Environmental Law and Policy
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See p7.

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Modules available may include:
• Climate Change and Renewable Energy Law
• Environmental Quality Law
• European Union Environmental Law and Policy
• International Environmental Law – Legal Foundations
• International Trade Law and the Environment
• Land Development and Conservation Law.
International Law can be studied as a single pathway, or be combined with International Relations as a minor pathway*.

On the International Law pathway, you examine current international events and the theoretical bases of international law. By combining international law with a minor in international relations, you discover the extent to which the two inform each other and develop a detailed understanding of the role, potential and limitations of international law in international affairs.

The interdisciplinary approach of this pathway is particularly suited to those involved with, or hoping to work for, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, foreign affairs departments, international courts and international law firms.

You are encouraged to participate in the activities, including workshops and guest lectures, of the Centre for Critical International Law (CeCIL) at Kent (see p30).

Structure
For full-time students, study is divided between taught modules, which last for one term each, and dissertation work. A total of six modules must be taken over the first two terms. Supervised dissertation work on a relevant agreed subject is then undertaken.

If you choose a single pathway in International Law, you take a minimum of three modules associated with international law, but considerable flexibility is offered in selecting your optional modules from the full range of law modules. See p7.

If you choose the two-subject pathway in International Law with International Relations, you must follow three modules from the International Law pathway and two modules from the International Relations pathway; you may select your sixth module from the full range of law modules. See p7.

Modules
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To read a full description of the modules listed, go to www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules

Modules available may include:
- Critical International Migration Law
- International Criminal Law
- International Human Rights Law
- Legal Aspects of Contemporary International Problems
- Public International Law
- Transnational Criminal Law.

Students taking a minor in International Relations will take two modules drawn from the School of Politics and International Relations, which may include:
- Conflict Resolution in World Politics
- International Relations Theory
- Philosophy and Methodology of Politics and International Relations
- Resistance and Alternatives to Capitalism and Democracy
- Security in a Changing World
- Terrorism and Crimes of State
- Theories of Conflict and Violence
- Understanding Political Institutions.

Entry requirements
See p7.

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*Please note International Relations is only available as a ‘minor’ when combined with the International Law ‘major’. 
M EDICAL LAW AND ETHICS

This pathway examines the role of law within contemporary health care, the institutions and organisations associated with medical law and the interrelationships between them.

You explore the practical context within which medical law operates in order to develop an understanding of the theoretical and ethical issues that underpin it.

Structure
Study is divided between taught modules and a dissertation. For full-time students, a total of six modules are taken during the first two terms. A supervised dissertation on a relevant agreed subject, is then undertaken.

You take a minimum of three modules associated with this subject pathway but considerable flexibility is offered in allowing you to select your optional modules from the full range of law modules. See p7.

Modules available may include:
• Consent to Treatment
• Death and Dying
• Medical Practice and Malpractice
• Privacy and Data Protection Law
• Reproduction and the Beginning of Life.

Entry requirements
See p7.

We also take into account medical qualifications and experience of working within the healthcare system. For such applicants, we consider relaxing the formal entry standard.

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STUDYING LAW AT BRUSSELS

Kent’s Brussels School of International Studies is a multidisciplinary postgraduate school. It offers taught programmes in international studies delivered by leading academics and skilled practitioners.

Programme structure

In Brussels, you can take your degree as a standard 12-month, 90 ECTS credit version (which comprises six taught modules plus a dissertation) or as an extended, 18-month 120 ECTS credit version (which comprises nine taught modules plus a dissertation).

It is also possible to take a secondary minor subject pathway in another available area of law or politics and international relations (see p25). This is done through the optional modules chosen.

You can begin your studies in September or in January and if you are studying on a standard 90 ECTS credit programme you can study part-time.

LLM students can choose to spend one term at our Brussels centre and one at our Canterbury campus (returning to their primary location to complete the dissertation) under our split-site option. (Please note fees for our split-site option differ from those of Brussels-only programmes.)

Entry requirements

A first or good second class honours degree in law or a related subject. For applicants from a US university, a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0 from an accredited institution or equivalent is usually required. We may also take into account relevant work experience when considering applications.

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OPTIONAL MODULES

Alongside modules related to your pathway, you can choose optional modules from the range of law modules available, which may include:

- Critical International Migration Law
- European Union Migration Law
- EU International Relations Law
- International Criminal Law
- International Diplomatic Law
- International Economic Law
- International Human Rights Law
- International Law of the Sea
- International Law on Foreign Investment
- International Relations for International Lawyers
- International Trade Law
- Law of Armed Conflict
- Legal Aspects of Contemporary International Problems
- Public International Law
- Transitional Justice and Rule of Law Programming.

You may be able to choose options from the full list of Brussels modules (see www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules). Modules may include:

- EU Politics and Governance
- Europe and Global Change
- Histories of International Conflict
- Human Security in Forced Migration
- International Economics
- International Relations Theory
- Negotiation and Mediation
- Political Communication
- Theories of Conflict and Violence
- US Foreign Policy.

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TAUGHT PATHWAYS
BRUSSELS

- Human Rights Law
- International Law
- Dual pathway programmes
HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

On this LLM, you examine the theory and practice of human rights law, international criminal law, humanitarian law, transitional justice, migration law and other fields in the context of different policy areas and various academic disciplines.

Taught in the critical tradition of Kent Law School, we want you to understand how different legal regimes came about and how they may be interpreted, challenged or possibly changed. This is complemented by the real-world advantage of studying for your LLM in the ‘capital of Europe’; mere hours from the International Court of Justice in The Hague, the Court of Justice of the European Union in Luxembourg, and the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg.

It is particularly suited to those who currently work (or hope to work) in international organisations, NGOs, international law firms and foreign affairs departments.

Structure
For full-time students, study is divided between taught modules, which last for one term each, and dissertation work. A total of six modules is taken over the first two terms. A supervised dissertation, on a relevant agreed subject, is then undertaken during the remainder of the academic year.

You take the required module on human rights and a minimum of two other modules associated with this pathway. You have considerable flexibility when choosing your optional modules.

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

To read a full description of the modules listed, go to www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules

Modules available may include:
• Critical International Migration Law
• EU Migration Law
• International Criminal Law
• International Human Rights Law (required module)
• Law of Armed Conflict
• Transitional Justice and Rule of Law Programming.

You can also select optional modules from the full list of modules offered at Brussels, see p21.

Entry requirements
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“You are taught by internationally renowned research experts from Kent Law School and BSIS who deliver dynamic lectures in tune with their cutting-edge research publications. As well as the expertise needed to write legal essays, you gain vital problem-solving skills, which help you to tackle a diverse range of global issues through the analytical and critical lens of human rights law. The skills you acquire are in great demand in international organisations specialising in human rights.”

Professor Yutaka Arai
Professor of International Law and International Human Rights Law
INTERNATIONAL LAW

This pathway provides a detailed understanding of the role, potential and limitations of public international law in international affairs.

After recent decades of rule of law promotion, the need to 'legally' harm, detain, profit or pollute has transformed how policy moves are now performed and contested on the world stage. This has elevated the significance of international legal rules for a range of governmental, corporate and societal actors, which all compete to devise legal norms, characterisations and strategies to address global political and economic problems. International law has therefore become a central domain of struggle across a variety of pressing policy challenges, ranging from robotised military strategies, territorial claims spurred by climate change, or the global projection of EU rules, to transnational blacklists.

This LLM pathway responds to increasing complexity in the international legal order; where international law evolves through transformations such as global counter-terrorism, global value chains, and foreign investment arbitration.

Its interdisciplinary approach is particularly suited to those involved with, or hoping to work for, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, foreign affairs departments and international law firms.

Structure

It is possible to start this programme in September or January.

The programme is divided between taught modules and a dissertation. Full-time students must take six modules during the first two terms. You take the required module on international law and a minimum of two other modules associated with this subject pathway. You have considerable flexibility when selecting your remaining optional modules.

A supervised dissertation is then undertaken during the remainder of the academic year.

Modules

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

To read a full description of the modules listed, go to www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules

Modules available may include:

- International Diplomatic Law
- International Law of the Sea
- The International Law on Foreign Investment
- International Trade Law
- Legal Aspects of Contemporary International Problems
- Public International Law

Two optional modules from the full list of modules offered at Brussels, see p21.

Entry requirements

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“The LLM in International Law offers a comprehensive specialisation in international law, firmly rooted in the traditions of the internationally renowned Kent Law School and BSIS. The approach to law as a social science does not preclude the teaching skills and knowledge necessary to become a good lawyer – quite the contrary. We believe that good lawyers are critical lawyers, and this degree offers students the chance to become both.”

Professor Harm Schepel
Professor of Economic Law
In addition to our two single subject pathway LLMs, we also give you the opportunity to combine your programme with one of the other subject areas offered at Brussels.

It is possible to combine the two primary subject specialisations, International Law and Human Rights, or to combine one of those with one of the following secondary specialisations:
- European External Relations
- International Conflict and Security
- International Development
- International Migration
- International Political Economy
- International Relations.

Combining international law or human rights law with another subject area allows you to approach your studies in an interdisciplinary manner.

The two subject specialisation is particularly suited to those who currently work, or hope to work, in international organisations, non-governmental organisations, international law firms and foreign affairs departments.

**Structure**

For full-time students, study is divided between taught modules, which last for one term each, and dissertation work. A total of six modules must be taken over the first two terms. Supervised dissertation work, on a relevant agreed subject, is then undertaken. You must follow a minimum of three modules associated with your primary specialisation. Three further modules are then taken, two of which must be selected from the chosen area of secondary specialisation. Considerable flexibility is offered to you in selecting your sixth module from the complete list of Brussels modules.

**Entry requirements**
See p21.

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“When deciding where to undertake my Master’s degree, I asked myself where I could maximise my time, dedication and efforts. The answer was easy – Brussels! I chose BSIS because it provides students with the opportunity to study international law with international relations not only in the ‘capital of Europe’ but in an institution that enables you to learn far beyond the textbook.”

Sue Basu
Canadian
LLM International Law with International Relations
A postgraduate qualification from Kent opens up a wealth of career opportunities by providing an impressive portfolio of skills and specialist knowledge.

Our students do extremely well on graduation: of Kent postgraduate students who graduated in 2017, over 92% of those who responded to a national survey were in work or further study within six months (DLHE).

A Master’s in law is a valuable qualification that can help you to specialise in the area of law you are most interested in and make you more attractive to potential employers both within the legal profession and outside. Employers recognise that a postgraduate qualification demonstrates a wide range of skills. At Kent, we provide a comprehensive package of skills development training programmes, careers advice, and volunteering and paid work opportunities to help enhance your career prospects.

Careers support in Kent Law School
At Kent Law School you have the support of a dedicated Employability and Careers Development Officer together with a range of work experience opportunities, employability events and careers talks. Details of graduate internship schemes with NGOs, charities and other professional organisations are made available to postgraduate students via the Kent Law School Employability blog. (blogs.kent.ac.uk/kisemployability)

Transferable skills training
All postgraduate students have the benefit of skills training offered by the University. Kent’s Graduate School delivers the Global Skills Award Programme for students following taught programmes, which is designed to consolidate your awareness of current global issues and improve your employment prospects.

Careers and Employability Service
The University’s award-winning Careers and Employability Service can help you to plan for your future by providing one-to-one advice. It also provides online advice on employability skills, career choices and applications, and interview skills.

Further information
For more information on the careers help we provide at Kent, visit our Employability web page at www.kent.ac.uk/employability
Describe a typical day in your current role.
There really isn’t one. I could be inspecting an industrial site, responding to an appeal, defending a decision we have made, or responding to a consultation on the transposing of EU legislation, relating to my area of work.

What are your future goals?
I would like to work in a central government department*, in policy formulation or in an international organisation using both my law background and frontline experience.

Did Kent live up to your expectations?
Yes, and beyond! When you leave a good career to study in a foreign country it is normal to have a few worries. But I (and my then critics) now know it was the best decision I ever made. My LLM from Kent has helped me to make the career change I was looking for.

Any memories of Kent that you would like to share?
Winning the Kent Law School Overseas Scholarship was a highlight, but there are many others – too many to mention here.

What advice would you give to someone coming to Kent?
Coming to Kent was one of the best decisions I have made in my life. Whatever your background, wherever you are from, whatever your ambitions are, Kent will have something special to offer.

*Nilanka has now realised this ambition; he has moved on to the Environment Agency where he is Senior Permitting Officer.
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.

Kent offers an incredibly diverse and cosmopolitan campus – 40% of our academic staff come from outside the UK and our students represent 157 nationalities. The campus is self-contained and you are within walking distance of all the excellent facilities including: the Graduate School, the Sports Centre, the Gulbenkian Theatre and Cinema, the Templeman Library, the Medical Centre, the campus shop and bookshop, cafés and bars.

Social life
The University’s Gulbenkian Theatre presents a diverse programme, including, theatre, dance and stand-up, while the Gulbenkian Cinema shows the best in film from current releases to classics and foreign-language films. The University also has a centre for music performance, The Colyer-Fergusson Building and its own nightclub run by Kent Union, the students’ union at Canterbury.

There are many great places to eat out on campus including national cuisines and vegetarian options.

Excellent study resources
The study resources on campus are excellent. The recently extended Templeman Library has extensive print and electronic collections specifically aimed at supporting the courses and subject areas taught at Kent. There are also over a thousand PCs on campus and a range of support services for help or advice.

The city of Canterbury
The city of Canterbury is just a 25-minute walk from campus. It 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 just under an hour away by high-speed train.

Accommodation
Postgraduate students are offered on-campus housing in Woolf College, Tyler Court A or Darwin Houses. The en-suite rooms are arranged in flats with six or eight students per flat and a large shared kitchen. Each room has free internet connection and a link to the University’s computer network system. For details, see: www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation
BRUSSELS

Kent’s Brussels School of International Studies is a multidisciplinary postgraduate school bringing together the disciplines of politics, international relations, law and economics.

Our programmes are designed to take advantage of an inspirational location that is home to the European Union, NATO and many other international organisations. Studying in Brussels offers you a great opportunity to develop your knowledge and network with people and organisations.

Our academic community is made up of students and researchers from 45 countries and academic staff representing 12 different nationalities. You benefit from access to numerous archives, conferences, scholars, experts and practitioners who thrive in the institutions of this world centre of international affairs.

We have our own purpose-designed facilities which include study rooms, classrooms, an auditorium and academic space. We are a short drive from the city centre and there are also excellent metro, bus and tram links.

Our strong links with the Brussels community mean many of our students improve their professional skills and gain real-world experience through a range of internships and voluntary work opportunities.

Accommodation
Kent does not offer University accommodation in Brussels, but there are many private rental options available. In Ixelles or Etterbeek communes, both of which are close to the University, a room (sharing a bathroom and kitchen with others) costs around €350–€500 and a one-bedroom apartment around €800 per month. Incoming students are placed on our list-serve, through which they are sent information on housing, orientation, registration and practical tips on preparing for and arriving in Brussels. For details, see www.kent.ac.uk/gettingstarted/brussels

The city of Brussels
With a population of just over a million people, Brussels is by no means a sprawling metropolis. But with more than a third of its inhabitants from outside of Belgium, it’s a vibrant and cosmopolitan city with a truly international feel.

Exploring the city’s historical and cultural highlights is a great way to develop your language skills. Discover new areas, pick up food from one of the many local markets or eat out at some of the excellent restaurants. Visit exhibitions at the many galleries and museums, go to the theatre or attend concerts. There is a range of events organised over the year from medieval carnivals to group dance classes in the Grand Place.
OUR RESEARCH CENTRES

At Kent Law School our research is collaborative, seeks to enhance public debate and to make a difference. Our students are immersed in a culture of critical research, which helps them to develop as independent thinkers, comfortable challenging established rules.

Our research is wide-ranging and covers areas including:
- criminal justice
- critical commercial law and business and regulation
- critical obligations
- environmental law
- European and comparative law
- gender and sexuality
- governance and regulation
- healthcare law and ethics
- international law
- law and political economy, law and development
- legal theories and philosophy
- property law
- human rights
- labour law
- law and culture
- law, science and technology
- legal methods and epistemology
- public law
- race, religion and the law.

These research areas are supported by our research centres, which encourage new thinking, promote collaboration with other academics both nationally and internationally, and organise events and conferences. Our research feeds into our teaching and helps to put Kent Law School at the centre of contemporary discussions on issues that impact not just the law but the wider world.

Centre for Critical International Law (CeCIL)
The Centre for Critical International Law (CeCIL) at Kent fosters critical approaches to the field of international law, and other areas of law that touch upon global legal problems, through promoting collaboration and exchange at Kent Law School and within the broader scholarly community.

Based at Kent’s Canterbury campus, the Centre offers an annual programme of activities for Kent Law School students, including a speaker series, workshops designed to engage scholars based at other institutions and an annual lecture addressing emerging themes in critical scholarship in the field of international law. CeCIL also strives to engage students, scholars and practitioners interested in the critical study of international law around the world through developing collaborations and joint research efforts.

Research and teaching in international law at Kent begins from the premise that international law is not apolitical, and that its political ideology reflects the interests of powerful states and other actors. Through their research and teaching, Canterbury and Brussels-based staff place international law into the contexts of history and political theory and extend its reach into international relations.

Kent Centre for Law, Gender and Sexuality (KCLGS)
KCLGS is a critical, interdisciplinary centre, which advances research that is theoretically informed and policy relevant. Its membership is made up of interested academics and doctoral students based at the University of Kent. At the intellectual heart of KCLGS is the project of exploring the complex relationships between gender, sexuality, law, and governance. Members study these relationships in multiple ways in their individual research and collaborative research projects.
We provide an environment for the exploration of these ideas through a programme of activities including workshops, seminars, academic visitors and doctoral training. The Centre is also committed to debating, disseminating scholarship, and networking with non-academics, working in related fields.

**Centre for Heritage at Kent (CH@K)**

The Centre for Heritage at Kent (CH@K) is an interdisciplinary centre which brings together researchers and students from a variety of academic and professional disciplines, including archaeology, anthropology, law, geography, physics, heritage conservation and management, architecture and urban planning to develop high-quality interdisciplinary research and teaching on heritage. The Centre aims to engage students from different disciplines who are interested in heritage.

**Centre for Critical Thought (CCT)**

CCT aims to consolidate, sustain and develop cutting-edge research on critically-oriented theory within the humanities and social sciences. Founded on the shared interest in contemporary continental thought of colleagues in Kent Law School, the School of Politics and International Relations, and the School of European Culture and Languages (Italian), the CCT provides a platform for seminars, workshops and lectures that explore the frontiers of, among other disciplines, modern European philosophy, critical legal theory, political and social thought, psychoanalytic theory, theatre studies, film studies, and social anthropology.
ACADEMIC STAFF

Staff in Kent Law School are internationally recognised for the quality of their research. Below we profile the co-ordinators of our LLM pathways. For details of all our staff, see www.kent.ac.uk/law/people

Criminal Justice
Co-ordinator: Dr Flora Renz
Flora’s research interests lie in the area of gender, sexuality and law and the legal regulation of identities. She is concerned with the legal regulation of (trans)gender identities and sexuality in society and broader questions focusing on the interface between structural inequalities, law, gender, sexuality, and emotion. She is currently working with other members of Kent Law School on an ESRC-funded socio-legal project asking whether government should retain the current system of a legal gender assigned at birth.

Intellectual Property Law
Co-ordinators: Dr Jose Bellido/Dr Hyo Yoon Kang
Jose’s research interests include intellectual property law and its history; legal theory; and evidence. Recent funded projects have covered music copyright, the history of copying patents (PASSIM), and contributions to an oral history of intellectual property, a project funded by CREATe, University of Glasgow. Jose is a member of the Governing Board of the International Society for the History and Theory of Intellectual Property (ISHTIP). In 2016, he was visiting Fellow at the UNSW, Sydney and in 2017, he was research Fellow at The National Museum of Play in the USA. Jose studies the history of intellectual property in the late 19th and 20th century, especially in Britain. His latest book, is the edited collection, Landmark Cases in Intellectual Property (2017).

Hyo’s research interests are in the areas of intellectual properties, history of sciences and practices of knowledge-making. She approaches research problems from varying cross-disciplinary perspectives, drawing insights from humanities, qualitative and quantitative social sciences. She has published on the concept of the human person implicated in patents related to human genetic material and information; the organisation of legal and scientific information in patent law; material media and bureaucracy of intellectual property law. She is working on a book which examines the value and valuation practices of intellectual property, focusing on patents. Other current projects include an analysis of the creative process of composing and the figure of the composer in music copyright law, a European Research Council-sponsored project on the relationship between the patent text and scientific information (part of PASSIM Patents as Scientific Information), as well as co-convening an Arts and Humanities Research Council Legal Materialities Research Network, which explores how certain things come to matter to law and acquire legal meaning.

International Commercial Law
Co-ordinator: Dr Gbenga Oduntan
Gbenga has research interests in public and private international law particularly international courts and tribunals; arbitration; international commercial law, anti-corruption law, international economic law and oil and gas law. He is a recognised expert in sovereignty and boundary issues, as well as in air and space law. He is the author of several books including International Law and Boundary Disputes in Africa (2015) and Sovereignty and Jurisdiction in Airspace and Outer Space (2012). He is also a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and of the Nigerian Bar Association (Barrister and Solicitor).

International Criminal Justice
Co-ordinator: Dr Emily Haslam
Emily Haslam’s current research
Yutaki Arai, Professor of Law

Yutaki’s research interests include: international humanitarian law; international human rights law; international criminal law; European human rights law (especially European Convention on Human Rights); theories of public international law. Yutaka’s working languages are English, French and Japanese, and he enjoys reading knowledge of Spanish, Italian and Chinese. He has published widely, including in the Yearbook of International Humanitarian Law; International Review of the Red Cross; Yearbook of European Law. He is currently undertaking research for the purpose of writing a book on the drafting records of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.

Harm Schepel, Professor of Economic Law and Director of Law Programmes at BSIS

Harm’s research interests lie in the broad fields of European and international economic law, law and development, legal sociology, social theory and political economy. Harm recently completed two major projects: one on the public/private distinction in European economic law, the other on the role of private governance regimes in market integration. He is starting work on a major project on the spread of legal neo-liberalism from a sociological perspective. The first instalments of this are in the areas of investment treaty arbitration law and European corporate governance.

International Environmental Law and Policy
Co-ordinator: Professor Bill Howarth

Bill’s main research interests are in environmental and ecological law, at European Union and national levels. He is particularly interested in laws relating to the protection and conservation of the water environment and aquatic ecosystems. He is a prolific author and has acted in an advisory or consultancy role for various government departments and public bodies. He is a member of the Committee of Fish Legal and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and the Institute of Water and Environmental Management.

Medical Law and Ethics
Co-ordinator: Dr Karen Devine

Karen’s interests lie primarily in the area of medical law and ethics, particularly in the removal, use and storage of bodily materials and the legal obligations that this may generate. Other interests lie within clinical negligence, the law of consent and the law of tort more generally. Karen’s PhD entitled, ‘Unravelling the (dis)cord: the social, legal and ethical implications of umbilical cord blood collection’ (2009) highlighted the possible health risks to pregnant women and babies associated with the collection process and examined a previously unconsidered area of law – the legal risks faced by the health professionals that facilitate the collection process, in particular for the non-disclosure of risk.

Brussels programmes

Yutaki Arai, Professor of Law

Yutaka’s research interests include: international humanitarian law; international human rights law; international criminal law; European human rights law (especially European Convention on Human Rights); theories of public international law. Yutaka’s working languages are English, French and Japanese, and he enjoys reading knowledge of Spanish, Italian and Chinese. He has published widely, including in the Yearbook of International Humanitarian Law; International Review of the Red Cross; Yearbook of European Law. He is currently undertaking research for the purpose of writing a book on the drafting records of the Geneva Conventions of 1949.

Harm Schepel, Professor of Economic Law and Director of Law Programmes at BSIS

Harm’s research interests lie in the broad fields of European and international economic law, law and development, legal sociology, social theory and political economy. Harm recently completed two major projects: one on the public/private distinction in European economic law, the other on the role of private governance regimes in market integration. He is starting work on a major project on the spread of legal neo-liberalism from a sociological perspective. The first instalments of this are in the areas of investment treaty arbitration law and European corporate governance.
We welcome applications from law graduates and from graduates outside of law who have an appropriate academic or professional background.

**General entry requirements**

A first or good second class honours degree in law or a related subject. In some cases, students who achieve a high 2:2 may be considered and the School may take account of relevant work experience when considering applications.

For information on requirements for international qualifications, visit www.kent.ac.uk/internationalstudent/country)

**English language requirements**

The University requires all non-native speakers of English to reach a minimum standard of proficiency in written and spoken English before beginning a postgraduate degree.

Minimum standards:

- IELTS – 7.0, including 6.5 in each component
- Internet-based TOEFL – 95 including 25 reading, 24 writing, 22 listening and 24 speaking
- Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE Academic) – 68 including 65 in each subtest
- Cambridge English: Advanced and Proficiency – 185 including minimum 176 in each component.

If you do not reach the required standard, you can apply for one of our pre-sessional courses. For details, see www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways

Only English language tests taken up to a maximum of two years prior to the date of registration are accepted for admission into the University. Please note that if your university studies have been completed entirely in English, you may be exempt from providing an English test certificate. Email International Recruitment (international@kent.ac.uk) for clarification.

**How to apply**

Applications are made electronically via our website at www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply

If you do not have access to the web, please contact the Recruitment and Admissions Office at the address on p36.

**Application deadline**

There is no fixed deadline for applications from Home and EU students. The deadline for applications from international students is 31 July. We recommend that you apply as soon as possible and no later than three months before the start of term. If you wish to apply for on-campus accommodation, you must do so online by the end of July.

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Scholarships from Kent Law School

Home/EU students
- Taught Master’s Scholarships
  These cover full tuition fees on the LLM programme.
- Kent LLM First Class Honours Scholarships
  This scholarship offers a tuition fee discount of 50% for students with a First Class Honours degree awarded by a UK university

International (non-EU) students
- Taught Master’s Overseas Scholarships
  We offer two taught Master’s scholarships: one covers full tuition fees payable by international students on the LLM programme and living expenses, the other covers full tuition fees.
- International Student Award
  A tuition fee discount of £2,500 available to students from Kenya, Nigeria and Thailand.

University scholarships for postgraduate students
- Graduate School Scholarship
  A reduction in fees for University of Kent undergraduate students who opt to go straight on to a Master’s programme. For details see www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/postgraduate

Scholarship application deadlines
The deadlines for applying for Kent Law School and University scholarships can vary, so please check the School and University websites for up-to-date information.

Contact us
For further information, contact our Postgraduate Admissions Officer (see p36).

Postgraduate Loan Scheme
Loans of up to £10,609 (2018/19 entrants) are available for eligible students taking a taught or research-based programme. See www.gov.uk/postgraduate-loan for further information.
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Strong academic community
Kent’s postgraduate students are part of a thriving intellectual community. In addition to lectures and seminars, you benefit from a rich and stimulating research culture.

A global outlook
Kent has a great international reputation, attracting academic staff and students from around the world. Our academic schools are engaged in collaborative research with universities worldwide and we offer a range of opportunities to study abroad and an approach that is truly global.

European connections
The University has two main UK campuses, Canterbury and Medway, located in the south-east of England, close to London. We also have study locations in Brussels, Paris, Athens and Rome. We have a diverse, cosmopolitan population with 157 nationalities represented. We also have strong links with universities in Europe. From Kent, you are two hours away from Paris and Brussels by train.

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Come to one of our Open Days to find out more about postgraduate study at Kent. Our postgraduate Open Days are an opportunity to talk to academic staff and find out about accommodation and current funding opportunities. To find out more, see www.kent.ac.uk/courses/visit

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