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The Centre for Medieval and Early Modern Studies (MEMS) is a network of University of Kent academics, affiliated organisations, students and alumni based within the Faculty of Humanities. We provide a unique interdisciplinary MA programme and supervision for research students within Canterbury's historic setting.

The Centre enjoys a close relationship with Canterbury Cathedral Archives, the Cathedral Library and the Archaeological Trust, allowing you access to a wide range of unique historical, literary and material evidence. We are within easy reach of London and the continent, and have excellent links to national museums, archives, libraries and galleries.

At the heart of our research culture is a weekly seminar, at which visiting scholars, MEMS faculty, and advanced research students give papers. Our students are encouraged to develop the intellectual and practical tools they need to embark on original research, from languages and palaeography to critical theory.



Taught programme **Medieval and Early Modern Studies MA**

Attendance: One year full-time, two years part-time

Start: September

Entry requirements: A first or upper-second class honours degree in an appropriate subject or equivalent.

The MA provides a thorough grounding in essential skills required for advanced study in the medieval and early modern periods, including Latin, palaeography (the study of old handwriting) and research methods. In addition, there is an exciting range of optional modules shaped by our cutting-edge research. Some of the optional modules we offer include:

- Anglo-Saxon Churches: Archaeology, Architecture, History (Helen Gittos)
- Before Shakespeare: Early English commercial storytelling on stage and in books (Andy Kesson)
- The Gothic Imagination: English Art and Literature in the Later Middle Ages (Alixé Bovey and Sarah James)
- Grand Designs and Intimate Liaisons: Life at Home in Early Modern England (Catherine Richardson)

“MEMS is an essential and vibrant hub where we can come together to share, to explore, to support and learn from each other.”

Julia Cruse
PhD student

- Making the News: Pamphlets, Print and Current Affairs in Early Modern Britain (Rosanna Cox)
- Parliament, Representation and Political Culture in England c1300-1601 (David Grummitt)
- Reading the Medieval Town: Canterbury, an International City (Shelia Sweetinburgh and Paul Bennett)
- Word and Image in Tudor England (Marion O'Connor)

Extracurricular field trips, masterclasses and special events enrich the programme, helping you define topics for your final dissertation. We also provide opportunities for hands-on work experience wherever possible.

Research programmes

Our vibrant community of faculty, postgraduates and affiliated organisations offers you an inspiring and supportive environment for postgraduate research. We are

interested in hearing from prospective research students with interests in the medieval and early modern periods.

We provide training in Latin and modern languages, access to a programme of short courses in technical and research skills, and workshops led by members of our faculty. Our students are encouraged to organise conferences and workshops, and to develop their professional profile through work placements.

MEMS is a partner in the Erasmus Mundus doctoral programme Text and Event in Early Modern Europe. This programme is structured around a unique collaboration between university researchers in the humanities and the cultural and creative sector in four EU countries. For more information visit www.teemeurope.eu

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Kent is one of the UK's leading universities. All of our academic schools produce world-class research, and Kent is rated as internationally excellent, leading the way in many fields of study. We have four exceptional study locations: our two UK campuses, Canterbury and Medway, are in the south-east of England, close to London, and we have specialist postgraduate centres in Brussels and Paris.

How to apply

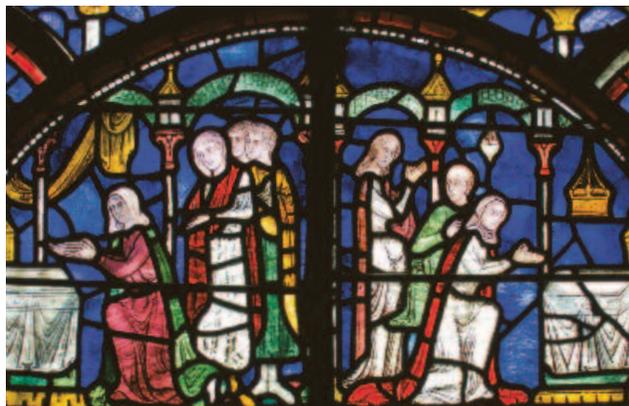
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Data protection: for administrative, academic and health and safety reasons, the University needs to process information about its students. Full registration as a student of the University is subject to your consent to process such information.



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For more information, see:
www.kent.ac.uk/opendays