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This flexible part-time programme builds on your existing work experience and qualifications to further your professional development, allowing you to broaden your expertise while gaining a recognised qualification to help progress your career.

About the programme
The Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice is delivered by expert academics and practitioners from the Centre for Professional Practice through a series of four taught weekends, which consist of tutorials and seminars held at the University of Kent’s Tonbridge Centre, plus study at home.

Over the course of the sessions, you explore your existing work practice, with modules designed to help you review and analyse the current debates relevant to the professional context in which you work.

The programme is designed for professionals who wish to develop their careers across a wide range of areas, including the public and private sectors, administration, construction, education, hospitality, retail, financial services, legal services and transport.

Benefits of the programme include improved potential for career progression, increased professional effectiveness, developing expertise within your chosen professional area and flexible study that builds on your current work experience.

Entry requirements
A professional qualification or appropriate degree-level qualification and/or equivalent work experience at the appropriate level. Students entering the programme will be expected to demonstrate professional experience in a role that involves responsibility, which they have held for at least two years.

Applicants without traditional qualifications are encouraged to apply and will be asked to demonstrate potential to study at postgraduate level.

The University requires all non-native speakers of English to produce evidence of proficiency in written and spoken English.

Inspirational teaching
Kent is renowned for its teaching style; our academics have an outstanding ability to pass on their passion for study and debate. Staff are approachable and accessible; through direct contact with them, you are intellectually challenged and encouraged to broaden your horizons.

University of Kent’s Tonbridge Centre
The University’s Tonbridge Centre is a small and friendly centre dedicated to part-time study, located just five minutes’ walk from Tonbridge railway station. The Centre provides high-quality teaching in a supportive environment to students of all ages and from a variety of backgrounds.

“Studying at the Centre for Professional Practice has allowed me to demonstrate my knowledge and skills, and has led me to get the job of my dreams. Without exception, the teaching has been excellent. Nothing is ever too much trouble for the tutors, and they often share their own time to ensure that you don’t leave until you are clear about what is expected of you with regard to the assignments.”

James Devine  
Human resources professional
It also focuses on supporting the continuing professional development needs of the business community in the region.

Facilities, including the University Library at the Tonbridge Centre, are open to all students and our seminar rooms are equipped to a high standard. Our students also have full access to all the resources available at Kent’s campuses at Canterbury and Medway.

**Centre for Professional Practice**

The Centre for Professional Practice (CPP) is a trans-disciplinary academic department focused on flexible work-related learning within higher education. We work with a wide range of external partners and employers to create distinct and original work-based and work-related developmental and educational solutions, which respond to the unique workforce challenges experienced by employees and organisations across the region and beyond.

Our programmes are designed to enhance career progression and foster intellectual and professional development and practice.

Many of the staff within CPP have experience of working in business and industry and/or have a clinical commitment to the health, social care or dental sectors, and therefore provide a valuable contribution to our programmes.

In addition, we have a wealth of knowledge and experience in professional practice and development, enabling us to support you to realise your potential in your working life.

**University of Kent**

Kent is ranked among the top 20 universities in the UK (*The Guardian University Guide 2014*). All of our academic schools produce world-class research, and Kent is rated as internationally excellent, leading the way in many fields of study.

**Fees and funding**

For the most up-to-date information on tuition fees and funding, see [www.kent.ac.uk/courses/funding/postgraduate/index.html](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/funding/postgraduate/index.html)

**How to apply**

[www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/apply](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/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