MA SOCIOLOGY

Canterbury
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This programme provides a comprehensive overview of the foundational concerns and current debates in the discipline.

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.
- The programme focus is empirical, analytical and comparative in nature, drawing on research into European, Asian and North American societies.
- You gain knowledge in current theoretical tools, learning to think critically about the social world and developing skills in research and data analysis.
- The programme gives you a thorough grounding in sociological research on modern societies and contemporary culture alongside contemporary social theory.
- You develop your ability to formulate arguments and confidently present your findings in a range of situations.
- SSPSSR is a large and vibrant academic centre of expertise where you are taught by research active academics.
- It is based in an excellent location in the historic city of Canterbury, with easy access by train to London, Paris and Brussels.

Compulsory modules

Foundations of Sociology
This module explores the most influential traditions in the history, philosophy and theology of sociology, providing critical insight into the ways in which the discipline has been configured in response to key junctures in its history.

Contemporary Social Theory
In this module, you learn to critically analyse and evaluate contemporary social theory using selected 20th and 21st-century texts.

Programme director
Dr Iain Wilkinson
Dr Wilkinson’s research interests are in the sociology of health and illness; humanitarianism and emotions; risk and anxiety; and the use and development of mass media.

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“The course expanded my faculties and critical thinking and challenged the way that I approached social thought and research. Learning from, and engaging with, leading academics proved invaluable and the weekly staff-student seminars kept you in touch with a wide range of cutting-edge research.”

Daniel Wood
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