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# BA (HONS) POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS WITH QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH

**On this degree, you can boost your employability by developing a valuable quantitative research skill set alongside your studies in politics and international relations.**

## What is quantitative research?

Quantitative research involves working with numbers and other data to provide clues to answer questions such as: why do people support extreme right wing parties? Why do peace negotiations fail?

## Reasons to choose this programme

- In today's data-driven world, graduates with quantitative research skills are in high demand by employers.
- The placement opportunity in Stage 3 offers you the chance to gain vital workplace experience.
- Quantitative research skills are a valuable tool in political science, and there is currently a shortage of quantitatively skilled UK social scientists.

*"I'm not great at maths, so I was really nervous about the numbers part of the course – but it's nothing like the maths at school. I also found the lectures and seminars enjoyable and easy to follow."*

**Dorcas Yeboah**

Quantitative Research Summer School

- Political parties, government departments and NGOs value quantitative skills – they are used for everything from gauging public opinion to analysing policy.
- You will become a multi-skilled graduate, developing quantitative research skills while enjoying all the benefits of a social sciences programme.

## Programme structure

On this programme, you spend approximately 25% of your time studying quantitative research, with the rest devoted to politics and international relations.

Below we outline the quantitative elements of your degree. For more information on politics and international relations modules, see [www.kent.ac.uk/ug](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ug)

### Stage 1

You learn foundation quantitative research techniques, develop proficiency in statistical software packages and learn how to plan and deliver a quantitative research project.

### Stage 2

You further develop your quantitative research skills and learn how to communicate your results to a range of audiences.

### Stage 3

You complete a quantitative work placement or quantitative dissertation, putting your skills into practice and getting valuable real-world experience.

### Location

Canterbury

### Award

BA (Hons)

### Degree programme

- Politics and International Relations with Quantitative Research

### Typical offer levels

BBB at A level; IB 34 points overall or 15 at HL

**Entry requirements and offer levels are subject to change. For the latest information, see [www.kent.ac.uk/ug](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ug)**

## Q-Step Centre

This degree is run by the University of Kent's Q-Step Centre, part of a multimillion-pound national initiative to boost quantitative skills among social sciences graduates. The Q-Step Centre offers innovative teaching, a critical approach to research and hosts regular events attended by both students and staff.

See [www.kent.ac.uk/qstep](http://www.kent.ac.uk/qstep) for details or email us: [qstepinfo@kent.ac.uk](mailto:qstepinfo@kent.ac.uk)

## Further information

See [www.kent.ac.uk/ug](http://www.kent.ac.uk/ug) or visit [www.kent.ac.uk/qstep](http://www.kent.ac.uk/qstep)

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