UNIVERSITY OF KENT MEDWAY
SELF-GUIDED TOUR

A guide for visitors
Welcome to the University of Kent and our Medway campus. Formerly a naval base, and with specialist facilities at The Historic Dockyard Chatham, it is an inspiring and unique place to study.

About the University of Kent

Established in 1965 with one site and 500 students, the University has grown significantly – we now have over 20,000 students and have campuses and centres in both the UK and Europe.

Kent’s collegiate structure

Kent is a collegiate university: a university composed of different colleges. All Medway students become a member of Medway college on registration and retain their affiliation throughout their studies.

The college provides a ready-made, friendly community, easing the transition from home to university life. The College Master can offer advice, help and support, and is the first port of call when students need assistance of any kind. All matters are dealt with in the strictest confidence.

The UK’s European university

- There are 20,125 total students at Kent, with 158 nationalities represented
- There are 3,051 students at the Medway campus
- Multiple locations across Kent, and a strong European presence
  - The University of Kent, Medway
  - The University of Kent, Canterbury
  - The University of Kent, Tonbridge – a centre for part-time study
  - The University of Kent, Brussels School of International Studies – a postgraduate centre specialising in international studies
  - The University of Kent, Paris School of Arts and Culture – innovative cross-disciplinary postgraduate programmes in the Humanities
  - The University of Kent, Athens – our unique Master’s programme in Heritage Management combines the worlds of business and archaeology
  - The University of Kent, Rome – the study of the ancient world and art history is offered at our newest European centre.

About the Medway campus

The Medway campus comprises two sites: Pembroke and The Historic Dockyard Chatham. The University of Kent has teaching and social facilities at both sites.

Kent is part of a distinctive partnership that includes the University of Greenwich and Canterbury Christ Church University, known collectively as the Universities at Medway. The three universities share the Pembroke site – Kent’s buildings are the Medway, Rochester and Gillingham buildings.

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Liberty Living

Liberty Quays accommodation is provided by Liberty Living and applicants should note that their contact and other details will be passed to Liberty Living for administration purposes. Liberty Living is a member of the National Code of Assured Accommodation for student accommodation.

Applying for accommodation (for University of Kent and Medway School of Pharmacy students)

- New full-time students who select the University of Kent and Medway School of Pharmacy as their first choice and who apply before 31 July in the year of entry, will be offered University accommodation
- Insurance, Late, Adjustment and Clearing applicants will be offered accommodation
- New postgraduate students who are holding an unconditional offer from Kent and who apply before 31 July in the year of entry, will be offered University accommodation
- New postgraduate students who apply after 31 July will be offered accommodation.

For current prices and other information, see www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation

Medway Park

Medway Park is a centre of sporting excellence, used as a pre-games training camp for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Kent students receive discounted membership rates and have full use of the facilities, which include a pool, fitness suite, multi-purpose sports halls, athletics track, dance studio, plus judo and trampolining centres.

The School of Sport and Exercise Sciences has extensive facilities at Medway Park, including physiology labs and sports therapy and rehabilitation clinics.

Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

We have been in partnership with leading employers to deliver apprenticeships since 2011. In 2016 we launched the Centre for Higher and Degree Apprenticeships to build on our experience and develop a wider range of opportunities.

Higher and degree apprenticeships are a partnership between the University and employers. The apprentice is paired with experienced staff to learn relevant skills, and we work with employers to develop tailored programmes, equipping apprentices with the theoretical and practical knowledge most useful to their organisation.

Apprenticeships offer the opportunity to help fill higher-level skills gaps, and the chance to employ both new and existing staff as apprentices. Apprentices develop up-to-date skills by combining university study with work experience, putting them ahead in the job market. See www.kent.ac.uk/apprenticeships for further details.
GETTING TO THE UNIVERSITY

We recommend you take your tour during the week as you will not be able to access any buildings at weekends. An all-day parking fee applies at both the Drill Hall Library car park at Pembroke and the Mast Pond car park at The Historic Dockyard Chatham.

You will be expected to pay the parking fee unless you display a parking permit for your vehicle. You can request a free parking permit in advance by emailing medwaycampusparking@kent.ac.uk

Please include your name, date of visit, vehicle registration number and whether you intend to park in the Drill Hall Library car park or the Mast Pond car park. The permit must be displayed clearly in your vehicle.

Pembroke (Drill Hall Library car park)
The postcode for Drill Hall Library car park is ME4 4EU.

The Pembroke site is split into upper and lower levels. On entering the main gate, you will see the road branches off to your left. This is North Road. Follow the road (be careful of the speed bumps), passing the Compass Centre on your left.

As you continue along North Road, you will pass the back of the Drill Hall Library, which is on your right. At the far end of the road is a right turn, which leads into the Drill Hall Library car park.

Access to the car park is through a barrier; you need to press the button and speak to the reception staff to gain access. Once you have parked your car, please make your way to the Medway Building, which is the start of the tour.

To find the Medway Building
You will see the new Student Hub on your left as you enter through the barrier and into the Drill Hall Library car park. Just beyond the Student Hub is a large covered archway. Go through this archway and you will see a brass-coloured building to your left. This is the Medway Building. There are toilet facilities available in the building.

For those with restricted mobility: these are steps leading to the Medway Building. Those with restricted mobility are able to gain access through a set of doors to the left of the steps. Press the buzzer on the doors to alert reception staff.

The Historic Dockyard Chatham (Historic Dockyard/Mast Pond car park)
The postcode for the Historic Dockyard/Mast Pond car park is ME4 4TY.

The Historic Dockyard Chatham is across the roundabout outside the entrance to the Pembroke site. From this roundabout (at the junction of Maritime Way and Dock Road), take the exit signposted for The Historic Dockyard.

Continue up Western Avenue, passing the Travelodge on your left, and take the first exit at the next roundabout. This will lead you into the Historic Dockyard. Follow the signs to the Overflow car park, which is the central gravelled area (this is the Mast Pond car park). Once you have parked your car, please make your way to the main University reception at the Galvanising Shop (opposite security), which is the start of the tour.

Liberty Quays student accommodation
The full address is Liberty Quays, Blake Avenue, Gillingham, Kent ME7 1FL.

Please refer to p5 for details of how to arrange to view student accommodation.

Exit the Pembroke site through the main entrance. At the roundabout, take the third exit onto Maritime Way. At the next roundabout, take the third exit onto the A289/Pier Road ramp. Merge onto A289/Pier Road and continue to follow the A289. Liberty Quays is the third turning on the left.

Parking at Liberty Quays
There is two hours’ free parking at the retail outlets on the Liberty Quays site. On arrival, go to the main entrance (the building opposite Tesco, on the dual carriageway side). You will need to press the buzzer and speak to reception staff to gain access.

Medway Park sports facilities
The full address is Medway Park, Mill Road, Gillingham, Kent ME7 1HF

Exit the Pembroke site through the main gate. At the roundabout, take the first exit onto Dock Road. Continue up the hill. At the next roundabout, take the first exit (signposted A231 Gillingham). Continue to follow the A231 Wood Street/Brompton Road. Go past the Royal Engineers Museum and the King Charles Hotel on your left. Turn left into Mill Road (signposted Medway Park). Turn left into the car park.

Parking at Medway Park
There is a pay-and-display car park available for visitors, and parking charges apply. Please see www.medwaypark.org.uk for full parking information or call +44 (0)1634 336655 (general enquiries).

Accessible parking
You can request a free parking permit for Pembroke or The Historic Dockyard Chatham in advance by emailing medwaycampusparking@kent.ac.uk or calling +44 (0)1634 888801.

Please include your name, date of visit, vehicle registration number and whether you intend to park in the Drill Hall Library car park or the Mast Pond car park. The permit must be displayed clearly in your vehicle, along with your blue badge.

For the Medway, Gillingham and Rochester buildings (Pembroke)
Arrive at Pembroke through the main entrance on Dock Road and proceed to the gatehouse. Staff will direct you along Central Avenue (upper level) to the accessible parking bays, situated near the Medway Building.

For the Pilkington Building (Pembroke)
Use the Drill Hall Library car park. As you drive through, the Library is on your right. The Pilkington Building is the building you can see at the far end of the car park. You will see some barriers ahead and the accessible bays are located just beyond these barriers.

For The Historic Dockyard Chatham
There are accessible parking bays in front of the Admiral Offices, near to the Clock Tower Building. There are also two accessible parking bays outside the Sail and Colour Loft. On arrival, please give your name to security staff, who will direct you to the accessible bays.

For Liberty Quays student accommodation
There are allocated accessible parking bays at Liberty Quays.
WHERE TO BEGIN YOUR TOUR

To make the most of your visit, we would recommend you begin your tour at the location where the facilities for your subject of interest are based.

Our facilities at Pembroke, The Historic Dockyard Chatham, Liberty Quays and Medway Park are all within walking distance of each other, but you may prefer to drive. We have included approximate walking times and postcodes for satellite navigation if you are driving.

Tours of Pembroke
If you are interested in courses in Computing, Criminal Justice and Criminology, Journalism, Pharmacy, Social Work, Social Science, Sport and Exercise Sciences, we recommend you tour the Pembroke site first. This takes approximately 35 minutes. If you wish to include a visit to Liberty Quays, please allow a further 45 minutes to view a study bedroom and the facilities.

Walking distances from Pembroke to:
- Liberty Quays: ten to 15 minutes
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Visiting the School of Music and Fine Art and the Centre for Music and Audio Technology
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Visiting Kent Business School
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Walking distances from The Historic Dockyard Chatham to:
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Tours of student accommodation at Liberty Quays
Visitors are able to view a show flat and kitchen at Liberty Quays. Please call +44 (0)1634 853285 at least 24 hours prior to your visit so we can ensure a member of staff is available to meet you (Monday – Friday only).

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The buildings belong to, or are shared between, the different universities. The University of Kent buildings are Medway, Gillingham and Rochester, which are labelled on the map on p10.

Allow 35 minutes to tour the Pembroke site. If you plan to include a visit to Liberty Quays accommodation, allow a further 30 minutes.

Start outside the Medway Building entrance by the top of the steps. You are now on the upper level.

The Medway building is a University of Kent building, nominated for a number of prestigious industry awards for its renovation, including a Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) award. The building has a unique brass façade, reflecting the maritime history of the local area. In this building, you will find:

- Main reception
- Campus Security Office – open 24/7
- Student Finance
- Student Activities Team – second floor
- School of Sport and Exercise Sciences including a sports and human performance testing laboratory, therapy teaching clinics and a rehabilitation gym – ground, first and second floors
- School of Computing
- Centre for Professional Practice
- KMV’s live TV studio, control room and production suite – basement. KMTV is a commercial IPTV station run as a partnership between the University and the Kent Messenger (KM) Group.

The remainder of the Medway Building encompasses teaching and seminar rooms, computer rooms and administrative offices.

Leave the Medway Building via the main reception and continue forward. The red brick building in front of you is the Rochester Building, where students enjoy breakfast or lunch in No1 Bistro. The Rochester Building also houses a common room for postgraduate students.

Look to the left of the Rochester Building. You will see Rochester Terrace, which features reclaimed materials and is used as a social, teaching and performance space. While facing the Rochester Building, turn to your right and walk across to the next building on your left. This building, with the glass reception doors and three tall concrete columns is the Gillingham Building.

The Gillingham Building houses teaching spaces and departmental offices including:

- Student Administration Office – based behind the Gillingham Building Reception. Students can access any help they may require, whether it is regarding their student record, marks, coursework, or examination enquiries.
- University of Kent Student Services, including the Careers and Employability Service, Student Support and Wellbeing Service, Volunteering and Employability Skills and the Student Learning Advisory Service (SLAS) – ground floor. SLAS offers information and advice on effective learning at university, with advice on topics such as essay writing, revision and exam techniques, through one-to-one appointments or workshops. Further information available at www.kent.ac.uk/learning
- Centre for Journalism – including three state-of-the-art newsrooms, complete with radio and television studios – first floor
- Faculty of Social Sciences – second and third floors
- Student Resources Room – containing careers information, counselling and student support. There is also a lounge area and computers for research use – ground floor.

All the teaching rooms in the Medway and Gillingham buildings are fitted with state-of-the-art audiovisual technology. From the top floors, students have a wonderful view across the Pembroke site and onto the docks and waterfront beyond. Pass in front of the Gillingham Building and diagonally across the road, stopping on the opposite corner, next to the road barrier. Facing the road barrier, look across the road (Central Avenue). You are looking at the University of Greenwich student residences, which include the Merlin Building. Behind this, out of your sight, is the Wolfe Building and other accommodation blocks.

With the Merlin Building across the road to your left, continue along the pavement away from the Medway Building. You are now passing down Central Avenue. Look to your right. You will see a fantastic view of the Parade Ground, originally used by the naval recruits for drill practice. The first red brick building nearest the bridge is the University of Greenwich Sports Hall, for use by all students. It includes a fully equipped weights and cardio room with courts for a range of sporting activities including basketball, five-a-side football and netball. The second building you can see used to house the barracks swimming pool and bowling alley.

The Drill Hall Library is reportedly the longest single–site library in Europe at 184ft. The main entrance to the Library is opposite the Circulation Building.

Make your way into the Library: You will see a plaque to the left of the entrance, which refers to the history of this impressive building. If you would like a tour of the facilities, please ask a member of staff at the Reception Desk, located in the main foyer.

The Drill Hall Library was completed in 1902 and is a Grade II listed building. Originally constructed to provide an indoor space where navy personnel could exercise and train during bad weather, it was also used as an overflow barracks, exhibition centre and naval store, as well as a building materials warehouse. After the completion of a £16 million rejuvenation project, the building won a number of awards for its renovations.

The Library has over 100,000 items, including books, periodicals and a wide range of electronic resources, as well as a laptop and netbook loan scheme.

New Student Hub

The Student Hub opened in January 2017 and is a stunning refurbishment of the original swimming pool and bowling alley. It features social/study space, student activity space, a new bar and café serving fresh, quality and flavoursome food, and Starbucks coffee. The Hub is home to GK Unions, the students’ union partnership at Medway between the University of Kent and the University of Greenwich.
There are over 400 PCs and netbooks/laptops running the latest software and presentation practice equipment. The Library houses three different zones for different types of study: the group zone, the quiet zone and the silent zone. There is also a café, the Archibald Hay Mess, where students can grab a coffee and work together with friends in a relaxed and informal environment. There are four ‘diner’ style booths located in the café, designed to enable group working in an informal environment. Each booth seats between four and six students and is equipped with a 40” LCD screen connected to a networked PC.

Pass through the glass doors directly in front of you into the large atrium. On your right is the Pilkington Lecture Theatre, which has a capacity of 176. Additionally, there are a number of spacious teaching and seminar rooms on the first floor. All teaching spaces are equipped with state-of-the-art audio-visual equipment.

When the site was occupied by the Royal Navy, the Pilkington Building was used as a canteen. This use has been maintained through the development of the Venue Café, a popular meeting place for staff and students situated further down the atrium to the left. Opposite the Venue Café is a large area, which is designed to be a flexible space. This is used for teaching, exhibitions, conferences and social events.

There is a range of support services available to a networked PC. an IT helpdesk and the Student Learning Advisory Service (SLAS). Further information on SLAS can be found at www.campus.medway.ac.uk/learning For further information on the Drill Hall’s extensive resources, University of Kent students also have access to the Templeman Library on the Canterbury campus and can request books to be sent from Canterbury to the Drill Hall Library to borrow (a 24-hour turnaround service).

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Exit the Pilkington Building. There is a cash machine outside the back entrance to the Pilkington Building on North Road. Across the road and to your left is a glass and terracotta building. This is Rowan Williams Court, belonging to Canterbury Christ Church University. Inside this building, on the ground floor, is Touchdown Café, open to all students for light snacks and refreshments.

You have reached the end of your tour of Pembroke
To visit The Historic Dockyard Chatham: Continue forward to reach the upper level. To walk from the Pembroke site to the Dockyard takes between 15 and 20 minutes. Please follow the walking directions and allow 35 mins for the actual tour (add on an additional 45 minutes if you plan to view student accommodation at Liberty Quays).

To visit the student accommodation at Liberty Quays and/or the sports facilities at Medway Park: Continue forward to reach the upper level. Turn left and continue back along the upper level towards the Gillingham Building and follow the directions. If you would prefer to drive, postcodes for satellite navigation are included.

Walking directions to The Historic Dockyard Chatham
Exit through the main entrance and turn left. Walk to the bus stop on Dock Road and cross the road at the pedestrian crossing. Once on the other side of the road, turn right and continue down Western Avenue, passing the Chatham Maritime Trust and the Travelodge, which are both on your left.

As you approach Regal Car, Van and Truck rental, turn left and join East Road (the Travelodge is on your left). Continue down East Road. You will come to the Galvanising Shop, which is the brown brick building with three arched windows, a blue sign above the door and a tall thin chimney. You need to make your way to the main University reception in the Galvanising Shop and inform staff that you are visiting the University of Kent facilities. If the reception is closed, please go to the security building opposite the Galvanising Shop and speak to the security staff.

To drive: Enter ME4 4TY into your satellite navigation. Once at the Dockyard, follow the signs to the Overflow car park, which is the central gravelled area (this is the Mast Pond car park).

Walking directions to Liberty Quays*
Start at the Gillingham Building. Take the road to the right of the Gillingham Building – New Kent Road. Follow the road past the University of Greenwich accommodation on your right. At the end of the road, turn left onto Johnson Avenue.

Continue onto Purser Way (Kent Police headquarters will be on your left). Continue ahead, towards Asda supermarket, which is ahead in front of you. Continue forward, passing under the bridge. Walk past the first set of traffic lights and continue forward. At the second set of traffic lights, near the Premier Inn, cross over the road. Liberty Quays is the large red, grey and white building on your right-hand side.

To drive: Enter ME7 1FP into your satellite navigation. Parking is free, but limited to two hours only.

*Please refer to p5 for details of how to view student accommodation

Walking directions to Medway Park
Start at the Gillingham Building (upper level of campus). Take the road to the right of the Gillingham Building – New Kent Road. Follow the road past the University of Greenwich accommodation on your right. At the end of the road, turn left onto Johnson Avenue.

Where the road branches left onto Purser Way, bear right. Walk through the iron gates and continue forward along the path. After you pass through the second set of gates, turn right onto Medway Road. Continue along Medway Road until you reach Mill Road on your left (MidKent College is opposite Mill Road). Turn left onto Mill Road. Continue ahead, passing the allotments and the park on your right-hand side. The entrance to Medway Park is up ahead on your right-hand side.

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TOUR OF THE HISTORIC DOCKYARD CHATHAM

Following a multimillion-pound investment, the University of Kent has teaching spaces in prominent buildings at The Historic Dockyard Chatham. The facilities are used by Kent Business School, the School of Music and Fine Art, the Centre for Music and Audio Technology and the School of Computing.

They include new studio spaces, multi-purpose workshops and a 316-seat lecture theatre. The Dockyard has a rich and fascinating history, and provides a unique and inspirational place in which to study. It is home to a submarine, three historic warships, museums and galleries.

Allow 35 minutes to tour the Dockyard. If you plan to include a visit to Liberty Quays accommodation, allow a further 45 minutes.

About the Dockyard

The Historic Dockyard Chatham supported the Royal Navy for over 400 years. HMS Victory, Nelson’s flagship at Trafalgar was built here and it is home to three historic warships (HMS Cavalier, HMS Gannet and HM Submarine Ocelot), the RNLI Historic Lifeboat Collection, Railway workshop, museums, galleries and a Victorian ropery.

With its atmospheric, 19th-century buildings and naval heritage, the Dockyard is also a popular film set. Les Miserables (2012), Sherlock Holmes (2011) and scenes from two Bond films have been filmed here, as well as TV shows including Call the Midwife, Mr Selfridge and Downton Abbey.

The University has regenerated seven historic buildings within the Dockyard to create bespoke teaching spaces, plus professional standard workshops, studios, galleries and rehearsal and performance spaces. There is a map on p10, which highlights their location.

On arrival

Please follow the signs to the Overflow car park, which is the central gravelled area (this is the Mast Pond car park). Once you have parked your car, you should make your way to the main University reception in the Galvanising Shop and inform staff that you are visiting the University of Kent facilities for either the School of Music and Fine Art, the Centre for Music and Audio Technology or Kent Business School. If the reception is closed, please go to the security building opposite the Galvanising Shop and speak to the security staff.

Please note: most buildings are card access only so it may not be possible to go into the buildings, unless by prior arrangement (see p5 for how to arrange appointments to visit specific academic schools).

Facilities at the Dockyard

The first building you come to is the Galvanising Shop – the University reception for the Dockyard. It also features a new café, which offers a choice of eat-in or grab-and-go food, along with wonderful coffee. The nautical and industrial style of the venue is coupled with a performance space for students.

Just behind the Galvanising Shop are six soundproofed practice rooms/acoustic booths (both individual and group) housed in the refurbished Smitheries. The Smitheries building also contains a music specialist iMac suite and stereo production room.

Continue past the Smitheries to the end of the road, turn right and you will see a building with a clock tower.

Go round to the entrance at the front of the building (opposite HMS Cavalier and the submarine) and you will have arrived at The Clock Tower Building, which houses an IT Hub, lecture theatre, seminar rooms and studio spaces. The Centre for Higher and Degree Apprenticeships (see p2) is also based here. Continue past The Clock Tower Building and turn left. The Old Surgery, the reception for the School of Music and Fine Art and the Centre for Music and Audio Technology, is ahead of you.

Past The Clock Tower and Old Surgery Buildings and to the right is a row of buildings (including Nelson’s Brewery). The last building, adjacent to the waterfront, is the Boiler House Workshop. Newly renovated, it has been designed and equipped to cover a wide range of making processes. Features include a woodworking area with a variety of machine tools, a laser cutter, a kiln room, a walk-in spray booth and a metal workshop complete with a welding bay.

There is also an outside sculpture yard with a covered work area supplied with compressed air, light, power and lifting equipment. The printmaking studio houses a silkscreen exposure unit, drying cabinet and vacuum table, as well as non-acid etching facilities.

Retrace your steps back to The Clock Tower Building (with the submarine on your left). You will now be facing the Fire Station and The Drilling Shed, both of which house state-of-the-art music and audio facilities. The Drilling Shed houses our flagship music industry-standard studio and a 5.1 control room with a collection of outboard gear, a live room and vocal booth.

The Fire Station provides three professional recording studios, including an Avid High Definition post-production studio containing a 5.1 speaker control room and a live room. It also has an audio post-production studio, a Euphonix studio and a multi-speaker ambisonics studio.

Across from these buildings to the right is The Engineering Workshop, an impressive space, which is open to all Music and Fine Art students on a daily basis, assisted by a team of highly experienced technicians, whose specialisms include printmaking, metal work and sculpture.

The provision is fully equipped to allow working with a variety of materials, and also houses our printmaking studio. The workshop functions as an extension of the studios, offering a flexible space that is used for a range of practical making and teaching activities. Large glazed access doors ensure natural light to a spacious interior that enables the creation of ambitious work.
Students benefit from access to a wide range of specialist and professional grade audio-visual equipment and facilities, including: high-end HD video and digital suites; mini DV video cameras; HD hands-free video cameras; Final Cut Pro editing suites and audio recording devices.

The University of Kent has made a significant investment in a newly developed, fully kitted photography production laboratory, comprising both analogue and digital processing facilities, including: a dark room stationed with 35mm and medium format enlargers; temperature-controlled developing facilities and high-speed automatic Ilford processor/dryers. In our new digital suite, it is possible to produce very large-scale prints on a range of materials using our state-of-the-art specialist large-format printer.

Walking directions from Mast Pond car park to the Sail and Colour Loft

This will take approximately ten minutes. After exiting your car, make your way to the security barriers to the left of the Galvanising Shop and let the staff know you are here to visit Kent Business School.

Upon entry through the gate, continue straight along the road, passing the Timber Seasoning sheds on your left. Continue forward (the Smitheries will be on your right) and onto a tree-lined path that heads past the back of The Clock Tower Building, which is on your right. At the end of this path, when you can go no further, turn left and continue up the two small flights of steps.

Turn right and continue forward with the Sail and Colour Loft on your left. The entrance to Kent Business School is approximately halfway down. Enter through the main door and the internal doors to the reception.

For visitors with restricted mobility: before you get to the tree-lined path, turn right and continue ahead. Take the next turning on your left. You will pass by the Old Surgery and Commissioner’s House, and the navy ships will be on your right. Take the second turning on your left and continue ahead. The Sail and Colour Loft is the building in front of you.

Kent Business School facilities

The Sail and Colour Loft, originally built in 1723, is a Scheduled Ancient Monument and Grade II listed. It is the new home of Kent Business School at Medway.

One of the Historic Dockyard’s earliest surviving buildings, it was erected for the sailmakers and used to make and repair sails of ships built and repaired at Chatham. The sails for HMS Victory were almost certainly made here – as were the flags flown to send Nelson’s famous signal at Trafalgar ‘England Expects Every Man Will Do His Duty’.

Fully refurbished, the building features six seminar rooms, a group learning room, a computer suite, quiet study areas and student social spaces. The building still retains some original features, and items from when it was used to make sails and flags for the warships.

Adjacent to the Sail and Colour Loft is the Royal Dockyard Church. Built between 1808 and 1811, this magnificent Georgian, Grade II listed building was designed by naval architect Edward Holl and constructed by Dockyard employees. In partnership with Chatham Historic Dockyard Trust, the University has recently transformed the Church into a magnificent 21st-century flexible space. As a traditional lecture theatre, it has retractable seating and features embedded technology for lecture recording, interactivity and in-class voting.

As a performance space, it features a sprung floor, excellent acoustics and hosts a number of concerts by students and guest musicians. The building retains many of its original features, including a grand piano, the pulpit, a font and even the church organ. The ceiling features a stunning relief, which was hand-painted as part of the restoration work.

You have now completed your tour of the Historic Dockyard

You can now visit the Pembroke site, Liberty Quays student accommodation and the sports facilities at Medway Park.

Walking directions to Pembroke

Make your way back to the Galvanising Shop. From there, continue forwards down East Road, passing the Travelodge on your right. When you reach Western Avenue, turn right and head towards the roundabout. At the roundabout, turn right onto Dock Road and cross the road using the pedestrian crossing. Turn left and into the main entrance of the Pembroke site.

To drive: Enter ME4 4EU into your satellite navigation. Once on the Pembroke site, make your way to the Drill Hall Library car park.

Getting to Liberty Quays

We would recommend driving to Liberty Quays. Please enter ME7 1FL into your satellite navigation. Parking is free, but limited to two hours only. Please see p5 for details of how to arrange to view student accommodation.

Getting to Medway Park

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We hope you have enjoyed your tour. If you have any further questions about the University you can contact us on +44 (0)1227 768896.

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