YEAR ABROAD OPTIONS
2018-19 / HUMANITIES
Stage 2

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International Partnerships
Appropriate for…

Students following Single or Joint Honours degrees in the:

- Centre for American Studies
- School of Arts
- School of English
- School of European Culture and Languages
  - excluding SH or JH Language degrees
- School of History
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Why study or work abroad?

“Graduates who were mobile during their degree were less likely to be unemployed…more likely to have earned a first class or upper second class degree…and be in further study…Those in work were more likely to be in a graduate-level job…and [on average earned] 5% more than their non-mobile peers”.

Universities UK International, ‘Gone International: mobility works’

https://globalgraduates.com/articles/100-reasons-to-study-abroad
In the job market

“The UK needs graduates who have the skills and confidence to compete globally, and can compete against foreign talent that may speak more languages and have wider international experience.”

British Council ‘Broadening Horizons’ report 2015

“…university students who spend a longer period of time abroad (i.e. 9 – 12 months) either on study or work placements have a real advantage over students who stay in the UK for the whole of their degree when it comes to the UK job market.”

Klaus, A. and S. Mentchen, ‘Why we cannot afford to lose Erasmus+’ 2016
“…alongside widely-valued international competences such as language skills, cultural knowledge and tolerance, employers increasingly valued productivity, resilience and curiosity from candidates. All of these desirable skills can be developed during periods abroad on an outward mobility programme.”

Centre for International Mobility, Finland ‘Hidden Competencies’ (2014), quoted in UUKi ‘Gone International: mobility works’
Eligibility

To add a Term/Year Abroad or Year in Industry to your degree, contact the Director of Studies for your degree programme.

Study Abroad:

- Stage 1 average mark
  - Minimum 60% Stage 1 average, maintained in Stage 2
  - University of California: minimum 70% Stage 1 average

- Attendance

- Good academic standing
Year Abroad

- Excellent host universities: [www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad](http://www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad)
- Different academic systems
  - Teaching styles
  - Work and assessment
- Modules
  - Chance to take modules not studied/offered at Kent
  - Normally 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> year of Bachelors degree
    - e.g. 300-400 level at non-EU universities
  - 60 ECTS or equivalent
- Accommodation
- Support
- Kent’s expectations
  - Participation
  - Pass/fail mark
Year in Industry

• Opportunities abroad
• Research and preparation needed
  • Start as early as you can!
  • What type of work? Why? Where? With whom?
• Accommodation
• Support
• Contact your School’s Placement Officer
• Visit Careers and Employability Service: www.kent.ac.uk/ces
• Notify Erasmus Team if internship is confirmed in an Erasmus+ eligible country
Work Abroad – where to start?

Title: Working abroad – where do I start?

Date: Thursday 19 October 2017

Time: 1-2.30pm (1 hr presentation followed by Q&A)

Room: KLT6, Canterbury campus
Language

Study:

- See [www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad](http://www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad) for universities’ teaching languages
  - Some partner universities offer teaching in English in all subjects
  - Others offer teaching in English for some subjects
    - A basic understanding of the host language may be required.
  - Others teach all subjects in the host language
    - A good prior knowledge of the language will be required

Work:

- Check what requirements potential employers have
- Will you need to meet language requirements for a work permit or visa?

Consider Language Express
Finance

• No tuition fees payable to host universities
• Tuition fees payable to Kent (2017/18 figures)
  • Full year placements: £1,350 (15% of standard fee)
  • One term study placement: normal fees apply
• Student Finance
• Plan your budget
  • Cost of living
    – Student questionnaires, host university websites
  • Discuss your plans with whoever supports you financially
Erasmus+ and SEMP

- **Erasmus+**
  - Eligible countries:
    - EU member states plus Norway, Iceland, Lichtenstein, FYR Macedonia and Turkey
  - Study or Work placements
  - Grant rate
    - Top-up grant, **not** your main source of funding
  - Brexit

- **Swiss-European Mobility Programme**
  - Grant paid by the Swiss Government
  - Study placements at Swiss universities
  - Amount similar to Erasmus+ grant

*The University of Kent is pleased to acknowledge the support of the European Commission within the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme.*
Financial guarantee

- Non-European destinations
- Requirement for visa
- Students have to show they have access to required amounts
- Amounts vary according to country/university
- As a rough guide, 2017/18 figures are:
  - Canada: full year = $10,000 CAD; one term = no guarantee needed
  - Hong Kong: £8,000
  - Japan: ¥1,000,000 (currently about £6,600)
  - Singapore: no or minimal guarantee
  - South Africa: no or minimal guarantee
  - South Korea: no or minimal guarantee
  - US: full year = $10,000- $20,000; one term = $6,000-10,000
Visas

- Non-EU destinations
- Non-EU nationals travelling to EU
- Consider costs for obtaining the visa
  - Travel to interview
  - Cost of visa
  - Medical if required
- Ensure your passport is valid for the necessary period (six months after travel)
- Students on a Tier 4 visa, make yourselves known
Considering Study Abroad

• Choose from the list of partner universities for your subject: www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad

• Research the university/those universities carefully
  • If you are taking two Humanities subjects (excluding Joint Honours Language degrees), you may choose between the destinations for each subject.
  • Contact Erasmus Team, if you have a good level in a European language not currently offered for your degree and wish to study in that language.

• Be pragmatic and consider all aspects: budget, modules, health, language, environment

• Use our Moodle module: DP6100 Essential Study and Work Abroad Preparation

• If the Year Abroad is not yet part of your degree, contact your School now!
  • Tier 4 visa holders: you might have to re-apply for your visa if a Year Abroad is not already included in your degree

If in doubt, contact us
Apply through Moodle

DP6100

‘Essential Study and Work Abroad Preparation’

Deadline: **Friday 3 November**

Applications received after this date will not be considered.
How the allocations are made

• If you have a choice of destination:
  • Stage 1 average marks
  • Attendance/academic standing
  • Suitability of exchange, e.g. subject area, language, provision of support
  • Availability of places at partner universities

While every effort will be make to allocate students to their first or second choices, the University reserves the right to decide otherwise based on the suitability of the exchange or the availability of places.

• If you don’t have a choice of destination…
  • Europe: the Erasmus Team will make sure that there is a place for you at the appropriate university.
  • If there are any difficulties, we will notify those affected.

• You will be emailed the allocation in January 2018
American Studies

Canada
- Brock University
- University of Calgary
- Concordia University
- Mount Allison University
- Ottawa University
- Trent University

Germany
- Freie Universitat Berlin (some prior knowledge of German is beneficial)

USA
- California State University, Long Beach
- University of California (limited places)
- George Mason University
- Indiana University
- Marquette University
- Mount Holyoke College
- New Mexico State University
- Purdue University
- Rhodes College
- San Diego State University
- State University of New York at Buffalo
- Towson University
- University of Iowa
- University of Kansas
- University Maryland at College Park
- University of Massachusetts at Amherst
- University of North Carolina Charlotte
- University of South Carolina
- University of Tennessee at Knoxville
- University of Virginia
- West Virginia University
- University of Wisconsin La Crosse
- University of Wisconsin Milwaukee
Arts (within Europe)

Exchanges in local language

- **Germany**
  - Freie Universität Berlin *(Film)*
  - Ludwig-Maximilians University Munich *(Drama)*

- **France**
  - Université Sorbonne-Nouvelle Paris 3 *(Film, very good French needed)*

- **Switzerland**
  - Université de Lausanne *(Film)*

- **Italy**
  - University of Bologna *(Film, HPA)*

English-taught exchanges

- **Denmark**
  - University of Aarhus *(Drama)*

- **Netherlands**
  - Universiteit van Amsterdam *(Film, HPA)*
  - Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam *(Film, HPA)*
  - Utrecht Universiteit

- **Hungary**
  - University of Theatre and Film Arts in Budapest *(Film)*

- **Ireland**
  - University College Cork
  - NUI Galway *(Film)*
Arts (outside Europe)

- **Canada**
  - Brock University (HPA)
  - University of Calgary
  - Concordia University
  - Ottawa University
  - Trent University (HPA)

- **Hong Kong**
  - Chinese University of Hong Kong (HPA)
  - University of Hong Kong (HPA, Film)

- **Japan**
  - Musashi University, Japan (Film)
  - Waseda University, Japan (Film)

- **Singapore**
  - NTU Singapore (Drama)

- **South Africa**
  - Stellenbosch University (Drama)

- **South Korea**
  - Dongguk University, Seoul (Film)

- **USA**
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Asian Studies

- **Canada**
  - Mount Allison University

- **Ireland**
  - University College Cork

- **Japan**
  - Aoyama Gakuin University
  - Kobe University
  - Kyoto Sangyo University
  - Musashi University
  - Okayama University
  - Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University

- **USA**
  - Rhodes College
  - Towson University
  - University of Iowa
  - West Virginia University
Classics and Archaeology

- **Canada**
  - Brock University
  - University of Calgary
  - Concordia University
  - Trent University

- **Hong Kong**
  - Chinese University of Hong Kong
  - University of Hong Kong

- **Ireland**
  - University College Cork
  - Maynooth University

- **Turkey**
  - Bogazici University, Istanbul

- **USA**
  - See [www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad](http://www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad)
Comparative Literature; English and American Literature (within Europe)

- **Czech Republic:**
  - Charles University, Prague

- **Denmark**
  - Roskilde University
  - University of Aarhus
  - University of Copenhagen

- **France:**
  - Université Paul Valery, Montpellier 3
  - *B1 level French required*

- **Germany:**
  - FU Berlin
  - *Basic German beneficial*

- **Ireland**
  - University College Cork
  - Maynooth University

- **Italy**
  - Ca’ Foscari Venice
  - *Basic Italian beneficial*

- **Netherlands:**
  - Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen

- **Portugal:**
  - Universidade do Porto
  - *English taught modules at MA level*

- **Spain:**
  - Universidad Autonoma de Madrid
  - *Basic Spanish beneficial*

- **Switzerland:**
  - Université de Génève
  - *Basic French beneficial*
Comparative Literature; English and American Literature (outside Europe)

- **Canada**
  - Brock University  (*EAMLIT only*)
  - University of Calgary  (*EAMLIT only*)
  - Ottawa University  (*EAMLIT only*)
  - Trent University  (*EAMLIT only*)
  - Concordia University  (*COMPLIT only*)

- **Hong Kong**
  - Chinese University of Hong Kong
  - University of Hong Kong

- **Singapore**: National Technical University

- **South Africa**: Stellenbosch University

- **South Korea**
  - Dongguk University  (*EAMLIT only*)
  - Korea University  (*EAMLIT only*)

- **USA**: See list at [www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad](http://www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad)
English Language and Linguistics

- **Canada:**
  - Concordia University

- **China:**
  - United International College

- **Finland:**
  - Oulu University

- **Germany:**
  - Philipps-Universitat Marburg
  - Universitat Trier

- **Japan**
  - Aoyama Gakuin University
  - Okayama University
  - Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University
  - Waseda University

- **Netherlands:**
  - Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen

- **South Korea**
  - Dongguk University
  - Korea University

- **Singapore:**
  - National Technical University

- **Spain:**
  - Universidad Autonoma de Madrid

- **USA**
  - Towson University
  - University of Iowa
  - University of Virginia
  - West Virginia University
History

Exchanges taught in host language

- **France**
  - Université de Poitiers

- **Germany**
  - Universität Regensburg

English-taught exchanges

- **Finland**
  - Jyvaskyla University

- **Ireland**
  - Maynooth University
  - University College Cork

- **Netherlands**
  - Maastricht University

- **South Africa**
  - Stellenbosch University

- **Hong Kong**
  - Chinese University of Hong Kong
  - University of Hong Kong

- **South Korea**
  - Korea University, Seoul

- **Japan**
  - Waseda University

- **Canada**
  - Brock University
  - University of Calgary
  - Concordia University
  - Ottawa University
  - Trent University

- **USA**
  - See list: [www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad](http://www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad)
Philosophy

- **France**
  - Université Sorbonne, Paris IV (*taught in French*)

- **Ireland**
  - Maynooth University
  - University College Cork

- **Turkey**
  - Bogazici University, Istanbul

- **Canada**
  - Brock University
  - University of Calgary (*limited places*)
  - Concordia University
  - Ottawa University
  - Trent University

- **Hong Kong**
  - University of Hong Kong

- **USA:** see list at [www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad](http://www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad)
Religious Studies

- **Canada:**
  - University of Calgary
  - Concordia University
  - Mount Allison University
  - Ottawa University

- **Hong Kong:**
  - Chinese University of Hong Kong
  - University of Hong Kong

- **Ireland**
  - Maynooth University

- **USA:** see list at [www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad](http://www.kent.ac.uk/goabroad)
Any questions?