Why Choose Us? – School of Physical Sciences league tables, National Student Survey (NSS) and Unistats

Physics

- Kent was ranked 4th in the UK for overall course satisfaction for Physics in the 2014 Guardian University Guide
- Kent was ranked 16th in the UK for Physics & Astronomy in the 2011 Times Good University Guide
- 100% of Kent Physics students found employment or went onto further study within 6 months of graduating in 2012

1. Student Satisfaction
- 4th in the UK for Physics for Student satisfaction (Overall) – 2014 Guardian University Guide
- 11th in the UK for Physics & Astronomy for Student Satisfaction – 2013 Complete University Guide
- 11th in the UK for Physics for Student satisfaction (Assessment) – 2012 Guardian University Guide
- 14th in the UK for Physics & Astronomy for Student Satisfaction – 2013 Times Good University Guide
- 18th in the UK for Physics & Astronomy for Personal Development in the NSS 2013
- 19th in the UK for Physics for Student satisfaction (Teaching) – 2013 Guardian University Guide

2. Inspirational Teaching
- High-quality teaching from expert staff
- The School's Functional Materials Group came second nationally in the latest RAE
- Institute of Physics professional accreditation
- Strong industrial links

3. Research opportunities
- A number of cutting-edge research opportunities leading to MSc or PhD degrees in Physics

4. Modern Facilities
- New £2.5 million refurbished teaching laboratories
- Well equipped research laboratories

5. Attractive Campus and Location
- 300 acre parkland site overlooking Canterbury city and Cathedral
- One-hour by train to London
- Excellent links to mainland Europe
- Canterbury was rated as the safest University city in England in the 2012 Complete University Guide

6. Excellent Sports and Social Life
- Active student union events
- On-campus cinema, theatre and night-club
- Vibrant amateur music scene
- Outstanding sports facilities and inclusive ‘sport-for-all’ policy

7. Excellent opportunities
- Opportunities to study abroad available
- Foundation years available offering flexible entry routes for those who require additional preparation in Mathematics, Science or English Language
8. Excellent graduation experience
   • Graduation in Canterbury Cathedral

9. Excellent Job Prospects
   • 1st in the UK for Physics & Astronomy students who found employment or went on to further study within 6 months of graduating in 2012
   • 80% of Kent Physical Science students were employed in graduate level jobs within 6 months of graduating in 2010

10. Good League table performance
   • 10th or 7/10 on "Value Added" for Physics - 2014 Guardian University Guide
   • 15th in the UK for Physics for Student: Staff ratio – 2012 Guardian University Guide

Institutional performance
• Kent was ranked 3rd in London and South East and 10th in the UK for overall student satisfaction in NSS 2013
• Kent was ranked 20th in the UK in the 2014 Guardian University Guide
• Kent was ranked 28th in the UK in the 2014 Complete University Guide
• Kent was ranked 33rd in the UK in the 2014 Times/Sunday Times Good University Guide
• Kent is a top 30 institution in the annual ‘Table of tables’, published by the Times Higher Education in 2011
• Kent was ranked in the top 100 worldwide institutions less than 50 years old in the 2013 THE ranking
• Kent was ranked in the top 420 worldwide institutions in the 2013 QS World League Table