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Whether you are a recent graduate or returning to study after a break, at Kent we help you to reach your goals. Our stimulating study environment combined with a range of funding opportunities makes Kent a great place to study.

We are renowned for the quality of our research: in the most recent Research Excellence Framework, 97% of our research was judged to be of international quality. We are also ranked in the top 10 in *The Complete University Guide 2021* for research intensity, a category that reflects the work of our entire research community.

As part of our diverse community of postgrads, you'll develop the skills you need to excel in our interconnected world. You'll be working with outstanding supervisors, researchers and lecturers, and have access to excellent facilities, networking opportunities and lots of extra-curricular activities.

We know though, that funding your postgraduate study is a really important part of your decision making. Our multimillion-pound dedicated scholarship fund includes:

- full awards to support doctoral researchers
- over 100 awards for students with a First or 2.1 degree undertaking a taught Master's at our locations in the UK and Europe
- funding for Kent's alumni and 2021 graduates

- scholarships specifically for overseas students
- scholarships for those who excel in music or sport.

Visit www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships to discover which scholarships you are eligible for.

In addition, we attract external funding that regularly exceeds £18 million per annum, while our membership of the consortia listed below gives you access to a range of funded doctoral training partnerships.

Advanced Research and Innovation in the Environmental Sciences (ARIES)

Kent has been successful in being awarded ARIES PhD scholarships through its membership of the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC).

South East Network for Social Sciences (SeNSS)

The University is a member of SeNSS, which offers PhD studentships across a range of social science disciplines. The collaboration unites an academic community of over 100 social science units and provides significant expertise in both quantitative and qualitative research methods.

Consortium for the Humanities and the Arts South-East England (CHASE)

We are also a partner within CHASE, which is at the forefront of arts and humanities research.



CHASE's doctoral programme offers over 50 PhD studentships across the Consortium, including at Kent.

Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC)

Kent receives an EPSRC Doctoral Training grant which provides PhD studentships in engineering, maths and the physical sciences.

University of Kent Global Challenges Doctoral Centre (GCDC)

Kent has established a Global Challenges Doctoral Centre (GCDC) dedicated to research addressing the challenges of economic development and wellbeing faced by developing

countries on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Development Assistance Committee (DAC) list. The GCDC offers PhD scholarships annually and provides a virtual and physical 'location' to discuss and undertake research that identifies solutions to global challenges.

South Coast Biosciences (SoCoBio)

Kent is part of the BBSRC-funded SoCoBio Doctoral Training Partnership, with the Universities of Southampton, Sussex and Portsmouth and the horticultural and agricultural research institute NIAB EMR. SoCoBio offers fully funded PhD studentships in bioscience research.

Research council funding at Kent

- Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)
- Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC).

Other sources of funding

- Postgraduate loans for Master's and PhD students are available to eligible UK students

Work opportunities

In addition to Kent's generous postgraduate scholarship fund, there are employment opportunities for our postgraduate students, both at the University and in the local area.

Kent Union Jobshop

Jobshop is a service run by the students' union to help you find part-time or temporary work. Thousands of vacancies are advertised each year, including positions for IT workers, marketing and administrative assistants, web developers, project managers, market researchers, bar and waiting staff, personal tutors, models, child carers and retail assistants. The University also employs students to help at large events, and with individual and small group visits. See www.kentunion.co.uk/jobshop

Postgraduate Student Ambassador Scheme

The Scheme offers experience in teaching and working with children and young adults, giving you the chance to practise your communication, interpersonal and problem-solving skills in the community. See www.kent.ac.uk/ambassadors

AT A GLANCE: KENT'S POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS 2021/22

The University continually seeks to expand its range of funding and additional opportunities are regularly posted on www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/postgraduate

| Scholarship/award | Programme type | Attendance | Value/benefits | Who can apply? |
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| "Tomorrow's World" Excellence Scholarship | Taught only | Full or part-time | Tuition fee discount of £3,000 | Kent undergraduates with a First continuing to Master's study at any of Kent's locations |
| "Tomorrow's World" Civic Mission Scholarship | Taught only | Full or part-time | Tuition fee discount of £3,000 | Kent undergraduates with a First who can demonstrate how their Master's will enable them to contribute to communities in Kent and Medway in the future. |
| Research Councils UK awards: AHRC, EPSRC, ESRC, BBSRC, NERC, STFC | Research only | Full or part-time | Tuition fees at the Home/EU rate and a maintenance grant equivalent to the Research Councils UK stipend. | Home/EU applicants (details vary by award). |
| Alumni Postgraduate Research Scholarship | Research only | Full-time only | Tuition fees at the Home/EU rate and a maintenance grant equivalent to the Research Councils UK stipend. | Alumni of the University of Kent with at least a 2.1 honours degree or a Master's degree at merit or distinction. |
| Christine and Ian Bolt Scholarships | Research only | Full-time only | Up to £10,000 to support a research trip to the USA and fees at the Home rate for one year only. | Applicants in the humanities and social sciences whose research material is located in the USA. |
| School and subject-specific awards | Varies | Varies | Varies. Please refer to the relevant school website or the scholarships finder for full details. | Varies. Please refer to the relevant school website or the scholarships finder for full details. |
| Brussels School of International Studies | Taught only | Full-time only | Part tuition fee waiver. | Applicants to Brussels programmes holding at least a 2.1 honours degree. |
| Paris School of Arts and Culture | Taught only | Full-time only | Part tuition fee waiver. | Applicants to programmes at either of these locations holding at least a 2.1 honours degree. |
| Kent Alumni Tuition Fee Discount | Taught only | Full or part-time | Tuition fee discount of £1,500 | Finalists who achieve at least a 2.1 progressing to Master's study |
| Postgraduate Loyalty Award | Taught only | Full or part-time | Fixed award of £1,500 for Home students and £3,000 for overseas students | Kent UG alumni who are not direct entrants from the prior year |
| Postgraduate Loyalty Award | MArch | Full or part-time | Fixed award of £1,000 for Home students and £3,000 for overseas students | Kent UG Architecture alumni who did not directly progress on to study the MArch |
| Commonwealth Shared Scholarship, Department for International Development (DFID) | Taught only | Full-time only | Tuition fees, return airfares and living costs for one year. | Candidates from an eligible Commonwealth nation. |
| International Scholarships for Taught Master's | Taught only | Full-time only | £3,000 towards the cost of tuition fees. | International fee-paying students. |
| British Council GREAT Scholarship | Taught only | Full-time only | £10,000 towards the cost of tuition fees | Citizens of China, Egypt, Ghana, India, Kenya, Malaysia, or Thailand |
| Chevening/Kent Scholarships | Taught only | Full-time only | Full tuition fee waiver plus a monthly stipend, an allowances package and a return airfare. | Eligible international fee-paying students. |
| Music Performance Scholarships | Taught or research | Full or part-time | Between £1,000 and £2,000 per year, together with up to £500 worth of music lessons per year. | New students who are talented instrumentalists and singers. The scholarships are intended to encourage excellence and reward involvement in University extra-curricular music. |
| Sports Scholarships | Taught or research | Full or part-time | Between £300 and £5,000 per year, plus other benefits, including free sports membership. | Elite sportsmen and women from any sport, who compete (at least) at county level or equivalent. |

Students may also be able to access loans for postgraduate study, including:

| Loan type | Programme type | Attendance | Value/benefits | Who can apply? |
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| Postgraduate Loans for Master's programmes | Taught or research | Full or part-time | Students can borrow up to £11,222. | UK nationals or individuals with 'settled status' in England, who are under 60 at the time of registration for a Master's or research-based programme. EU nationals may be eligible. |
| US William D Ford Federal Direct Student Loans | Taught or research | Full or part-time | Low-interest loans to help pay for the cost of a student's education after high school. The lender is the US Department of Education. | US citizens or permanent residents of the United States, who have a valid US social security number. |
| Canada Student Loans Program | Taught or research | Full or part-time | Financial assistance in the form of loans and grants to post-secondary students who demonstrate financial need. | Canadian citizens. |
| UK Government Doctoral Loans Scheme | Research only | Full or part-time | Loans of up to £26,445 as a contribution towards the cost of study, for programmes with a maximum length of six years. | Eligible students studying for a PhD or other Level 8 doctoral qualification. |

All awards listed here are subject to specific eligibility criteria; full details are available at www.kent.ac.uk/scholarships/postgraduate
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KENT: THE UK'S EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

A leading university, the University of Kent offers an intellectually challenging academic experience in a diverse and supportive environment. With exceptional campuses in the UK, Kent also has centres in Paris and Brussels, where study and research are underpinned by the specialist facilities and resources of these locations.

Canterbury

A wide range of subjects for study and research at a beautiful, cosmopolitan campus overlooking the historic city.

Medway

Professionally focused programmes delivered at a historic waterfront location with state-of-the-art facilities.

Brussels

Advanced international studies in the political capital of Europe, taught by expert academics and practitioners.

Paris

Postgraduate programmes in the humanities, enhanced by immersion in the capital of European culture.