



Hadlow College

Key Facts

- Hadlow College is Kent's premier land-based college and one of the top three land-based colleges in the United Kingdom. (in terms of Ofsted results)
- The College comprises of three campuses: Hadlow, Canterbury and Mottingham.
- Years of experience and unmatched facilities support students undertaking land-based courses in preparation for careers in the rural industries.
- In December 2005, OFSTED graded Hadlow College as a "Good" College. According to OFSTED the College is good value for money and is above national averages for all levels and ages.

Location and facilities

Hadlow College provides the following facilities:

- Broadview Gardens- 4 hectares of gardens and holder of 2 national collections of plants
- 180-hectare commercial farm- dairy and beef cattle as well as sheep plus machinery workshops
- Garden Design studio with gallery
- One of the largest glasshouse facilities in Europe
- Dedicated laboratories for plant, soil and animal science
- Countryside Stewardship Scheme
- Animal Unit- housing over 120 species of reptiles, mammals, birds and aquatics
- Equine Centre- stabling over 80 horses equipped to a professional standard
- State-of-the-art fish hatchery
- Commercial standard floristry studios
- Fruit, nursery stock and container production units
- Semi-commercial Dog-grooming parlour
- Garden Centre



Hadlow Campus

The main campus of Hadlow College is situated in the heart of Kent and is a tranquil countryside retreat, an ideal base to explore Kent, the UK and Europe. This 256 hectare site boasts an enviable array of facilities to enable students to maximise learning and gain realistic experience of the workplace for their future careers. Hadlow is a vibrant small village largely surrounded by farms and agricultural enterprises. The village has several pubs, bars and restaurants within walking distance of the College.



Canterbury Campus

The campus extends over two hectares and is fully equipped to deliver high-quality training with open access to all. The site encompasses gardens, orchards and woodland, which provide facilities for garden design, countryside and horticulture teaching and practical training. A brand new, purpose-built animal unit will house reptiles, small mammals, rabbits and guinea pigs as well as aviaries and paddocks for goats and pigs.

Mottingham Campus

Situated in the green-belt area of Bromley, the Mottingham campus provides easy access to land-based training for London and North West Kent. The Mottingham campus offers courses in animal management, garden design, horticulture and floristry. The purpose-built animal centre includes specialist rooms for aquatics, reptiles and small mammals, an aviary and paddocks which hold a range of grazing animals including goats, pigs and a miniature Shetland pony. The grounds provide garden design and horticulture students with numerous and varied opportunities for practical training.



Student Numbers

| Course | Students |
|------------------------|----------|
| Agriculture | 52 |
| Animal Management | 384 |
| Countryside Management | 64 |
| Equine | 180 |
| Fisheries | 79 |
| Floristry | 66 |
| Horticulture | 463 |
| Rural Business | 19 |
| Garden Design | 90 |
| Landscape Management | 68 |
| Sustainability | 12 |

Country of origin

Mainly UK, also some from Africa and Europe

Employment

The college estimates that 80% of its students become employed in their area of study. They have ex animal management students working for the RSPCA, RSPB, Cats Protection League and Battersea Dogs Home. Likewise garden design students usually set up their own landscaping/garden design business or work for a large garden design company.

Links with Business

The College has numerous links with both other educational institutions as well as individual and corporate companies. These include: The Royal Horticultural Society, Brogdale Horticultural Trust, Kent County Agricultural Society, Coalgrave Trust, Bell Equine and Cozenton Nursery. Cozenton Nursery produce crops for Medway Council and they offer a real environment for students who are looking for real work experience.



Links with other institutions

The 15 year partnership between Hadlow College and the University of Greenwich has been highly successful, with a wide range of HNC, HND, foundation degree and degree courses available at the College. Hadlow also works with schools in the local area including Swanley School, Oldborough Manor, Oakley School and Angley School.

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