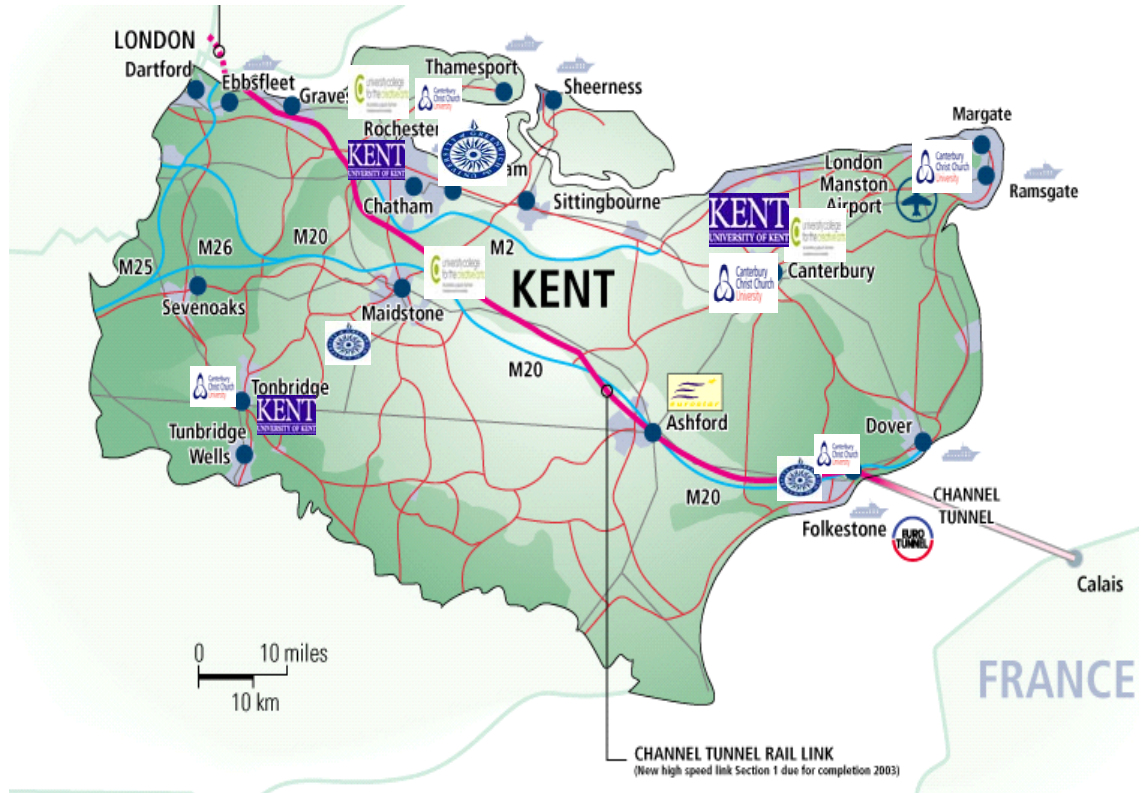


OVERVIEW OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN KENT & MEDWAY

Student Population of Kent & Medway

The four university institutions of Kent & Medway have a total of approximately 40,895 students and contribute more than 9,656 graduates across all subjects each year to the workforce.

Location of Kent's Universities



Kent and Medway's universities have a combined student population of almost 40,895 students, broken down as follows:

<p>University of Kent</p>  <p>www.kent.ac.uk</p> <p>18,165 students 500 academic staff 4,510 graduates</p> <p>Strengths Biosciences Medicine and Healthcare Business Law Electronics Computing European Culture and Languages Social policy Film Visual Arts</p>	<p>The University of Kent (UK) was granted its Royal Charter in 1965. Its main campus occupies 300 acres, just over a mile from Canterbury City Centre, but the university also has centres in Medway (University of Kent at Medway), Tonbridge, London and Brussels.</p> <p>The largest department at UK is the Social Sciences (7,260) which includes the Canterbury Business School, the Department of Economics, Kent Law School; Department of Politics and International Relations and other socio-economic subject areas. The second largest faculty is Humanities (5,255) which includes languages and English and the Arts. The university has a significant scientific teaching and research base with 3,005 students in the Science, Technology and Medical Studies faculty and among other smaller departments there are 2,650 students.</p> <p>The Kent Enterprise Unit was founded by the University of Kent to manage the interaction with businesses to make the university's offerings as clear as possible. This initiative will help to enable local businesses to benefit from the research and knowledge that the university has.</p> <p>There are over 18,000 students including over 7,000 full time undergraduates, just under 1,000 full time postgraduates and nearly 4,000 other students and 10% of students are from overseas.</p> <p>UK has 221 academic schools divided into 3 main faculties - Humanities, Science, Technology and Medical Studies and Social Sciences. UK also provides a wide range of Continuing Professional Development, especially through the Business School and schools of Computer Science, Electronics and Communications Technology, Healthcare and Social Care. A SEEDA-sponsored Enterprise Hub and Innovation Centre will soon be set up at the University. The Enterprise Hub will provide business support and cost-effective flexible workspace and access to the University's intellectual property with commercial potential. It is expected that the first phase will be complete in 2007, with all facilities and support fully operational by 2010.</p> <p>Accreditations</p> <p>The Government's top scores for university research are 5 and 5*. In 2001 the former was awarded to Anthropology, Applied Mathematics, Law, English and Drama, Dance and Performing Arts Units. The highest score, 5* was awarded to Statistics and operational research and Social policy and administration Units.</p>
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Canterbury Christ Church University



www.canterbury.ac.uk

15,563 students
515 academic staff
3,146 UG/PG graduates
1,498 undergraduate qualifiers

Strengths

Teacher training
Nursing
Policing
Social care
Media
Music
History
Theology

Adding to the large and multicultural student population in the county, Canterbury Christ Church University is spread over four campuses throughout Kent. The main campus is in Canterbury. There is also an associate faculty (campus), called Salomons, outside Tunbridge Wells, a campus in Broadstairs and a new facility in Chatham. It is one of the largest institutions of its kind, offering a wide range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses and professional qualifications.

The largest faculty is Education with 5,273 students in 2007-08, followed by Health and Social Care with 4,355 students. The faculty of Business and Management had 1,247 students in 2007-08, Arts and Humanities had 2,364 students and Social and Applied Sciences had 2,324.

Canterbury Christ Church University is predominant University of choice for the public sector it also has a well respected media department which offers practical courses in television, film and radio courses and its music department attracts students from all over the world. Its teaching and research work is grouped within the five major Faculties: Arts and Humanities, Business and Management, Education, Health and Social Care and Social and Applied Sciences.

Accreditations

External teaching assessments has resulted fifteen subjects being awarded a rating equivalent to 'Excellent'. In research, Education, History and Theology were confirmed as fully meeting national and international standards.

University for the Creative Arts



www.ucreative.ac.uk

3,267 students in Kent
700 graduates in Kent

Strengths

Art
Design
Architecture
Industrial Design
Fashion Design
Multimedia
Communication

The University for the Creative Arts was formed through the union of the Surrey Institute of Art & Design and the Kent Institute of Art & Design. With around 6,500 students in the two counties on more than 80 different courses, the University is one of the UK's leading providers of specialist art and design education, offering strengths in art, design architecture, media and communication.

The University is spread over five campuses; Canterbury, Epsom, Farnham, Maidstone and Rochester all offering their own individual specialities. Students have the opportunity to study a wide variety of courses including FE courses, Foundation Degrees, BA Honours Degrees and Graduate Diplomas.

The University has a team of people known as the Knowledge Transfer Team. They act as a first port of call for all the institution's work with business and the local community. The role of the team is to establish long-term relationships with the cultural and creative industries to raise the University's own profile as well as helping to provide a sustainable interface with business and the community.

Accreditations

The Kent Institution received an outstanding rating for its further education (FE) provision in its Ofsted inspection report released in March 2005. The official report placed the Kent Institute as the highest rated institution or university offering further education in art and design in England.

In the 2001 Research Assessment Exercise, the Kent Institute entered 22 research-active staff achieving an overall grade of 3a.

**University of Greenwich
(Medway)**



<http://www.gre.ac.uk>

3,900 students
1,300 graduates in Kent

Strengths

Computer and
Communications

Engineering
Systems engineering
Industrial instrumentation
and control
Electronics and
manufacturing engineering

Biological sciences
Materials sciences
Sport and exercise science
GIS and remote sensing

Natural Resource
Management

Pharmacy

Business and management

The University of Greenwich (UoG) has 3,900 students in Kent, at the Medway Campus at Chatham Maritime.

The university has two other campuses – at Greenwich and Avery Hill, both in south-east London.

The Medway Campus is shared with the universities of Kent and Canterbury, in a partnership known as the Universities at Medway.

Mid-Kent College is also a partner.

All four partners share use of the Drill Hall Library, which opened in 2005.

UoG was founded as Woolwich Polytechnic in 1890, became Thames Polytechnic in 1970, and acquired university status in 1992.

Three of the university's nine schools - Engineering, Science and Pharmacy – are based at Medway.

The University of Greenwich at Medway houses most of the university's science and technology expertise. Based at the former naval barracks, the university is now part of the Chatham Maritime development initiative with commerce, housing, community, retail and leisure facilities. UoG is also represented in Kent by the Kings Hill Conference & Training Centre, at West Malling, near Maidstone.

The university works in partnership with business, industry, government and public bodies. The university offers research expertise, technology transfer, business advice and staff training.

Clients include major multi-nationals and government agencies.

Accreditations

According to Kent Life (Oct 2006) Kent is *'home to one of the most innovative educational partnerships in the country'*

School of Engineering

The BEng Computer Networking degree supports students who wish to take the third-party certification for CISCO CCNA and CCNP. Various other Engineering courses are either currently under review for the renewal of existing accreditations or for the first time.

Medway School of Pharmacy

Medway School of Pharmacy is the only regional school of pharmacy in the UK, a collaboration between the University of Greenwich and the University of Kent.

Chatham is also home to The Medway School of Pharmacy, the first regional school of pharmacy in the UK, established in 2004 as a joint venture between the Universities of Greenwich and Kent. The School obtained professional recognition from the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain (RPSGB) and approval for its first intake to the MPharm Programme in 2004.

Summary of Kent's HE student population

Institution	Total Student population	Overseas students	Language Students
University of Kent	18,165	2,209	1,212
Canterbury Christ Church University	15,563	1,096	158
University of Greenwich (Medway)	3,900	520	n/a
University for the Creative Arts	3,267	600	0
Total	40,895	4,425	1,370

Source: Locate in Kent, gathered from sources directly

There are almost 4,500 students from overseas learning at Kent and Medway's higher education institutions, representing 12% of the total student base. These are particularly present at the University of Kent and Canterbury Christ Church University, both based in Canterbury resulting in the overseas student population of the city representing three quarters of the total in Kent and Medway.

In addition to the potential language skills of overseas students, almost 1,400 students are known to be studying languages at degree level, representing 4% of the total student base.