



EXCHANGES AND SHORT-TERM STUDIES

Information for partner universities

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Autumn term *Leading with Cultural Intelligence (LCI) course Part 1: 21-26 September 2025 (optional course)*

Arrivals: 27-28 September 2025

Welcome and orientation: 29 September to 3 October 2025

Teaching and assessment: 6 October to 12 December 2025

Leading with Cultural Intelligence (LCI) course Part 2: 15-19 December 2025, including assessment

Spring term Arrivals (new students): 7 January 2026 (provisional)

Welcome and orientation: 8-9 January 2026 (provisional)

Teaching and assessment: 12 January to 20 March 2026

Summer term Teaching and assessment: 13 April to 19 June 2026

Important notes Students should only apply for the term/s they wish to study at Kent.
Contracts for campus accommodation are linked to students' registration dates.
Please note that students cannot apply to come for part of a term, e.g. September to February.

Each term is 10 weeks long:

9 weeks' teaching

1 week assessment



OPTIONS

One term only:

Autumn Term

or Autumn Term plus LCI course

or Spring Term

Two terms:

Autumn & Spring

or Spring & Summer

Three terms:

Autumn, Spring and Summer

ADMISSION & APPLICATION

Nomination Please submit the nomination form: <https://forms.office.com/e/b5Gxyf1ady>

Nomination deadlines

September arrival: 15 May

January arrival: 15 October

Application <https://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/short-term/how-to-apply>

Application deadlines:

September arrival: 15 June

January arrival: 15 November

Language requirements Students whose first language is not English must provide evidence of their English language level as part of their application.

Those who will need a Study Visa to enter the UK, e.g. those who will come to Kent for 6 months or longer, must submit a valid Secure English Language Test certificate. The SELT certificate must be less than 2 years old.

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/english-language-requirements>

Other requirements **GPA** 2.5 (where 4.0 is the highest grade), according to the terms of our agreement with an individual partner.

Law: French students on a postgraduate exchange who wish to take LLM modules must have an average of 12/20 for the licence, and an average mark of 7 in IELTS. LLM students from other countries, please see the [entry requirements](#).

Architecture/Planning, Design: students wishing to take modules in these subjects must submit a portfolio as part of their application.

LEADING WITH CULTURAL INTELLIGENCE

The course is designed to help international students settle in and make the most of their studies, by equipping them with the essential skills and knowledge to succeed, using the theme of Cultural Intelligence (CQ).

Credits 20 credits (10 ECTS) for those who complete the assessment

Schedule Part 1: 21-26 September, including arrival dinner on Sunday 21 plus a trip on Saturday 04 October

Term time: There will be check-in points with the tutor to review learning.

Part 2: 15-19 December, including one trip and assessment period.

Fees Tuition fees will be waived for students who take the course for credit.

ACADEMIC SCHOOLS

School of Arts and Architecture <i>Architecture, Planning, Spatial Interior Design, Drama, Film, Graphic Design and Media</i>	School of Social Sciences <i>Criminology, Sociology, Social Policy (Social Work is not open to short-term/exchange)</i>	School of Engineering, Mathematics and Physics <i>Engineering, Mathematical Sciences, Physics & Astronomy</i>	School of Natural Sciences <i>Biosciences, Chemistry, Conservation, Forensic Sciences and Sports & Exercise Science</i>
Kent Law School	School of Psychology	Kent Business School	School of Computing
School of Humanities <i>Classics, English and History</i>	School of Economics and Politics & International Relations	Kent and Medway Medical School <i>Not open to short-term study/exchange</i>	Medway School of Pharmacy <i>Not open to short-term study/exchange</i>

MODULES

Module Catalogue

<http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modules/>

This is due to be updated for 2025/26 in February or March.

The module descriptions include a synopsis, credits, which term it is taught in, short reading list and assessment methods.

Choosing modules

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/short-term/how-it-works/modules>

Please note that it is not possible to guarantee that students will be able to take exact equivalents to modules taught at the home university. If it is essential that a student takes a particular module while at Kent, they may wish to check this with the team prior to application.

Kent does not have an “Add and Drop” period. Only essential changes, e.g. due to timetable clashes, can be made on arrival.

Pre-requisites and prior knowledge

The module catalogue will normally list any pre-requisite. If you choose a module which has a pre-requisite, please provide information of an equivalent module which you have taken at your home university.

Please note that some Schools expects students to have a prior knowledge of a subject to A Level or equivalent standard for some Level 4 modules. This may not be explicit in the module catalogue because the first-year degree students will have been accepted on the basis of an A Level in the appropriate subject. This usually occurs in Biosciences, Chemistry, Maths/Statistics, and Physics.

Credits and workload

One module = 20 credits (10 ECTS) = contact hours: on average 4 hours in class and 16 private study hours per week

Some subjects, such as the Sciences and Architecture, are likely to have more contact hours than other subjects due to laboratory or studio classes.

Workload per term

One Term = 40 credits (20 ECTS)*

Two Terms = 80 credits (40 ECTS)

Full year = 120 credits (60 ECTS)

*Students who come for one term only and who must take 60 credits (30 ECTS) in that term can arrange this with the Study Abroad team.

Module registration

Exchange/short-term students do not go through the Online module registration process.

The Study Abroad team will liaise with the academic schools to get students' modules approved and registered. This will be based on the Provisional module registration form/Learning Agreement which students submit as part of the application.

Official Transcript

The University will issue one official electronic transcript to the student's home institution approximately six weeks after the end of term, after the Boards have confirmed the marks. We can also issue hard copies on request. A copy of the grading system is included in the transcript.

LANGUAGE LEARNING

Fluent Futures

Free tutorials and immersive modules (extra-curricular or for credit) in languages such as: Mandarin, Japanese, Arabic, Spanish, French, Italian, German, Ukrainian or Russian
<https://www.kent.ac.uk/fluent-futures>

English Language

Students can register for free term-time, credit-bearing English Language Skills modules or extra-curricular English and Academic Skills (ELAS) modules. ELAS modules cover topics including grammar and pronunciation, essay writing and seminar discussions.
<https://student.kent.ac.uk/studies/english-and-academic-skills>

ACCOMMODATION & MEALS

Campus accommodation

<http://www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation/>

Application deadline:

September arrivals: 30 June

January arrivals: 30 November

Contracts for campus accommodation are linked to the student's registration period at Kent.

Meals

<http://www.kent.ac.uk/catering/>

Many rooms are self-catering: some residences have a shared kitchen, others a small shared kitchenette. If students wish to cook for themselves, they should check which residences offer suitable facilities.

Virtual tours

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/hospitality/virtual-tours/student/>

Off campus housing

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/accommodation/living-off-campus>



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Immigration Check if you will need a visa or Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) to enter the UK here: <https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa>

If you need a Student Visa to study in the UK, you will receive a CAS (Confirmation of Acceptance for Study) once your application to Kent is approved.

Please note that a Short-term Study Visa is not suitable because this is only for those taking an English Language course at a language school in the UK.

Visas: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas-and-immigration>

ETA: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-an-electronic-travel-authorisation-eta>

The Student Union's Advice Service provides independent advice about visas: <https://kentunion.co.uk/here-for-you/advice>

Tuition fees Exchange students: no tuition fees to pay.

Fee-paying agreements: The Finance department will invoice the student or home university as agreed at the start of term.

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/fees/tuition/index.html#!jy>

Living costs <http://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/livingcosts.html>

Travel insurance Students should obtain travel insurance before coming to the UK.

Health insurance Students may wish to arrange health insurance as well, e.g. if they have a pre-existing medical condition, disability or other support needs.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Student Support and Wellbeing (SSW) The Student Support team has expert staff to support students with disabilities or chronic medical conditions, autism and Specific Learning Difficulties (SpLD). Counselling and wellbeing support is also available.

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/student-support>

Medical facilities Students can get advice and treatment at the University Medical Centre on the Canterbury campus. There is also an on-campus Nursing Service and Pharmacy.
<https://www.umckent.co.uk/>

Study support The Skills for Academic Success team provides help, workshops and resources for study skills, writing, mathematics and good academic practice:
<https://student.kent.ac.uk/studies/skills-for-academic-success>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Pre-arrival Students will receive information about online enrolment and arrival after they have been accepted. <https://www.kent.ac.uk/welcome/>

Library and IT <https://www.kent.ac.uk/library-it>

Sport <https://www.kent.ac.uk/sports>

Music <https://www.kent.ac.uk/music>

Useful links Canterbury campus: <https://www.kent.ac.uk/locations/canterbury>
Virtual experiences: <https://virtualexperience.kent.ac.uk/>
Visit Canterbury: <https://www.canterbury.co.uk/>