

MA in Career Guidance

for international students



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What is MA in Career Guidance?

The MA in Career Guidance (MACG) is a postgraduate programme of academic study and professional training that will prepare you for entry to the guidance profession. It also gives you a good grounding in research methods, which you will put into practice by undertaking a dissertation in an area of your own interest. The programme incorporates the Qualification in Career Guidance (QCG), which is a UK recognised qualification approved by the Institute of Career Guidance.

When and where will I study?

The MACG / QCG is a full-time course which runs over one full calendar year. There are two timetabled teaching days at the University per week, as well as blocks of time on placement. The programme provides a blend of academic study and research, professional placements, and practical days in the University. The MACG is run at the Salomons Campus in Southborough (between Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells). Salomons is set in a beautiful, landscaped parkland estate – the perfect place to reflect and focus on studying.

What will I study?

The programme comprises three stages and you will study the following modules:

Stage 1

- Career Guidance Practice
- Career Guidance Theory
- Reflective Professional Development

Stage 2

- Career Learning and Development
- Equality and Social Justice
- Labour Markets and Partnerships

Stage 3

- Evaluation, Research Methods and Dissertation

Note: The QCG is awarded following the successful completion of Stages 1 and 2. In addition you will take part in a number of Practical Skill Days which involve interview and group work practice with students from local schools (not simulated), using our interview training suite with CCTV.

Placements

Placements are offered in career guidance and Connexions services, in further and higher education establishments and in schools.

In addition, you will spend some time in an organisation that works more informally with individuals such as an adult guidance service or voluntary organisation. Overall you will spend six weeks on placement and will be asked to organise most of your placement activity yourself.

How will I be assessed?

The programme is assessed using a variety of methods including essays, case studies, reports, one to one interviews, group work and presentations. Stage 3 is assessed through a dissertation on a research area of your choice.

Tuition fees

Information on tuition fees for the MA in Career Guidance is available at:

www.canterbury.ac.uk/international/academic-fees.asp

Entry requirements

You should normally have an honours degree in any discipline. If you are not a graduate, you will be asked to submit a piece of work as part of the selection process.

In addition, you will be required to obtain an enhanced disclosure certificate from the Criminal Records Bureau. Your application for this is completed through the University and you will be advised of the process once you have gained a place.

If English is not your first language you will be required to have an IELTS score of 6.5 or the equivalent result from the Canterbury Christ Church University English test. If you would like to take the Canterbury test, please apply via the Canterbury approved representative in your country.

For further advice, please contact the International Office on:

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How do I apply?

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