



Who we are and what we do

Information about Canterbury Christ Church University and its structure, governance, contacts and locations

Legal framework

Our [Articles Of Association](#) set out our legal framework.

Our University started as a teacher training college in the 1960s to respond to a national shortage of teachers. Today, we continue to shape our courses and research around critical social issues nationally and globally. You can read about our [history](#).

Inspired by our Church of England foundation, the University's mission is to pursue excellence in higher education set out in our [mission and values](#).

Office for Students

Canterbury Christ Church University is [registered](#) with the [Office for Students](#) (OfS), and our OfS registration number is 10001143.

We must meet requirements in areas that include the quality and standards of its courses, equality of opportunity for students, financial sustainability and good governance.

We can charge eligible students fees up to the [higher statutory fee limit](#). We can charge fees on undergraduate courses up to the higher statutory fee limit amount, depending on our quality rating and fee limits forming part of our access and participation plan.

We participated in the OfS [Teaching Excellence and Student Outcomes Framework](#) (TEF). A provider participating in the TEF is awarded a gold, silver, bronze or provisional rating. We have a [silver](#) rating.

Since 1995, we have had the right to use 'university' in our name. The use of the word ['university' has protection in law](#). A provider must have OfS approval to use the word 'university' in its name.

Since 2009, we have had research [degree awarding powers](#).

As part of our OfS registration, we publish the following essential documents:

- [Access and Participation Plan](#)
- [Student Protection Plan](#)
- [Student Refunds And Compensation Policy](#)

How the University is organised

Our leadership comprises the Chancellor, the Governing Body, the Vice-Chancellor and the Senior Management Team.

Together, they provide governance and accountability for the University.

You can read about our [Leadership and Governance](#) arrangements.

Canterbury Christ Church University's [Chancellor](#) is the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Reverend and Right Honourable Justin Welby.

Our [Governing Body](#) is ultimately responsible for the affairs of the University. You can read the [membership and terms of reference](#) of the Governing Body.

We have the following policies and procedures relating to the Governing Body:

[Governor Appointment Policy](#)

[Governor Skills and Experience Framework and Self-Assessment Matrix](#)

[Fit and Proper Person Policy](#)

[Governor Roles and Responsibilities](#)

[Schedule of Delegation](#)

[Governor Register of Interests](#)

Our [Vice-Chancellor](#), Professor Rama Thirunamachandran, is the academic lead and chief executive of Canterbury Christ Church University. The Vice-Chancellor publishes his expenses on this webpage.

The [Senior Management Team](#) (SMT) is the Vice-Chancellor's executive team. Its membership comprises senior academic and Professional Services managers who report directly to the Vice-Chancellor.

We provide a statement on [salaries for the Vice-Chancellor and Senior Management Team \(SMT\)](#).

Location and contact details

Our registered address is

Canterbury Christ Church University
North Holmes Road
Canterbury
Kent
CT1 1QU

You can use our [contact details](#) to reach us.

Our [network of campuses and centres stretches](#) across Kent and Medway and is easy to get to by train, bus and car.

You can view the [map](#) of our campuses.

University Faculties

We organise our work into [Faculties and Schools](#).

University Committees

The overarching committee is the Governing Body.

We publish the [Minutes](#) of the Governing Body meetings after approval.

The Governing Body consists of [committees](#), each with different responsibilities and expertise.

Subject to the overall responsibilities of the Governing Body and Vice-Chancellor, the Academic Board is responsible for all aspects of the University's academic work. It establishes committees and sub-committees to help it with its work.

Organisations related to the University

Information relating to organisations for which the University has responsibility, those it works in partnership with, those it sponsors, and companies wholly owned by it.

MEDCO

The University owns a private limited company, MEDCO (CCCU) LIMITED (Company number 04823775.) The principal activity was to operate as a staffing agency, [Unitemps](#).

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

From the University's earliest days, delivering learning through collaborative partnerships has sat at the heart of our approach. You can read about our [Collaborative Partnerships: Past, present and future](#).

We have a process for the [Development and Approval of New Collaborative Partners](#) and the [Management of Collaborative Partnerships](#).

We maintain a [Collaborative Partnership Register](#).

Student Activities

Information about the Students' Union and other clubs, associations and non-academic activities that are organised by or for the students

We have an active Students' Union (CCSU). You can read an overview of the [Students' Union](#).

CCSU organises a range of [sports](#) and [societies](#).

The University approves the Students' Union Constitution (called the [Articles of Association](#)) and the [Students' Union Code of Practice](#).

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