



CANTERBURY CHRIST CHURCH UNIVERSITY

ANNUAL REPORT

18/19



Canterbury
Christ Church
University

INTRODUCTION



FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Canterbury Christ Church University has a clear purpose: to change lives for the better through education and research. In our 2018/19 Annual Report we reflect on how we are delivering on our commitment to our students and the community, and review the progress that we have made towards achieving our goals over the last academic year.

The Higher Education environment remains challenging, with ever-increasing competition to recruit students, and rising expectations for universities to deliver an outstanding student experience alongside an excellent education. The university sector faces a number of pressures, including still unanswered questions about funding following publication of the Government's review of post-18 education, and uncertainty in the wider economy as a result of Brexit.

We continue to attract students from across the UK and further afield who value the outstanding university experience that we offer, including stimulating teaching that enables them to touch and experience the

research that underpins their education, opportunities for workplace and voluntary experience and a supportive living and learning community.

Our graduates secure excellent outcomes, with 93 per cent in further study or employment within six months of completing their studies, and remaining in high demand among employers in the region and across the UK. We are able to attract students with great potential to succeed thanks, of course, to the commitment, knowledge and enthusiasm of our academic and professional services staff.

It is because students are at the heart of all we do that we are expanding opportunities to study new, exciting courses and are investing in new facilities in order to provide a first-class, vibrant environment for current and future generations of students.

The most visible changes can be seen across our Canterbury Campus. In 2019, our new £12m Daphne Oram creative arts building opened its doors to students, staff and external stakeholders. The building's flexible, collaborative space and specialist facilities model for our students the world of the creative industries, and enhance our contribution to those industries in our region and beyond.

Our new £65m building for Science, Technology, Health, Engineering and Medicine will open on our city campus, next to the former Canterbury prison, in 2020. With facilities for our Engineering, Design, Growth and Enterprise (EDGE) Hub, and for the joint Kent and Medway Medical School that will admit its first cohort of 100 future doctors in September 2020, it will provide an inspiring environment where researchers, academics,

and student engineers, doctors, healthcare professionals, and scientists will come together and collaborate to develop the ideas and innovations that will shape our futures.

Our mission to transform lives extends beyond our campus environment through our commitment to enriching our communities. We play an important role in enabling the regional economy to flourish, and we are proud to make a significant contribution to the cultural and social life of Kent and Medway.

This year, we celebrated ten years as Partner and Principal Sponsor of the Canterbury Festival – a major arts festival held in the city which supports the development of creative talent. We were also delighted to be Partner of the Turner Prize at Turner Contemporary and Education Partner in the Folkestone Book Festival in 2019.

Our role in educating thousands of nurses working in our NHS and other health services was recognised through a series of events to mark 30 years of nursing education at Christ Church. We were also delighted to mark 30 years since Canterbury was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site, given our campus location on this historically significant site.

The pages that follow provide highlights of our exciting projects, programmes and partnerships that we have delivered during the last academic year. I hope that you will enjoy reading more about our progress and achievements, and will share my pride in the dynamic, friendly and supportive community that is Canterbury Christ Church University.

Professor Rama Thirunamachandran
Vice-Chancellor and Principal

EXPANDING OPPORTUNITY



CUTTING-EDGE CREATIVE ARTS FACILITIES

We took a step toward realising our exciting vision to transform our city campus in Canterbury with the opening of our new Daphne Oram creative arts building in January 2019.

It is the first new building in our £150m Estate Master Plan and it offers a contemporary space with specialist facilities to support studies and research in the creative industries.

It brings music, media and arts courses together, extending opportunities for collaboration and providing a new venue for Canterbury that will increase our engagement with local creative organisations and businesses.



NEW £65M STEM FACILITY FOR THE REGION

In January 2019, the Lord Mayor of Canterbury, Councillor Colin Spooner, marked the start of construction work on our ambitious new Science, Technology, Health, Engineering and Medicine building, opening in September 2020.

We are working with industry partners to develop an exciting new model for Science, Technology, Engineering and Medical education, enterprise and research that will unlock regional economic growth and employment. Delivered with the support of funding from the South East Local Enterprise Partnership, former Higher Education Funding Council for England, and the Garfield Weston Foundation, the building will support innovation in science, technology and engineering, and provide high-tech facilities for the new Kent and Medway Medical School, which we are delivering in partnership with the University of Kent.

The teaching and innovation that takes place within the new EDGE Hub facilities will bring benefits worth up to £11m a year to the local economy and inject an additional 1,250 graduates with high-level engineering and technology skills into the regional workforce by 2024.



SOUTH EAST
LOCAL ENTERPRISE
PARTNERSHIP



HM Government



INNOVATIVE ENGINEERING EDUCATION

We are breaking away from traditional models of engineering education, becoming one of only a few UK universities to be accepted into the international CDIO (Conceive-Design-Implement-Operate) Initiative – a community pioneered by the world-renowned Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The University's newly-created School of Engineering, Technology and Design successfully presented to the (CDIO) council in Denmark last summer.

The CDIO model focuses on creativity and problem-solving in engineering and technology education, and recognises the growing importance of close collaboration with businesses and industry.

canterbury.ac.uk/engineering



EXPANDING OUR APPRENTICESHIPS

We are expanding our range of apprenticeship programmes by working with Sussex and Surrey Police and the universities of Middlesex, Portsmouth and Cumbria to deliver a new Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship.

Our role in providing the apprenticeship programme builds on our 25-year tradition of delivering policing degrees and aligns our course offering with professional requirements set out in the new Policing Education Qualifications Framework.

The policing contract, awarded in 2019, expands our apprenticeship provision in management and leadership, nursing and engineering.



INTERNATIONAL IMPACT AWARD

The Faculty of Education's leading role in promoting the delivery of high-quality teacher education in Palestine earned it a prestigious Times Higher Education Award (THE) for International Impact.

Working in collaboration with the Palestinian Ministry of Education and Higher Education and six universities in Palestine, the Christ Church team began its work in 2011. The Teacher Education Improvement Project is now nationwide and has been described by the World Bank as "a beacon for teacher education reform in Palestine".

"To win the THE Award for International Impact is tremendous recognition for the contribution that our team and partners have made to reforming the entire education system in Palestine, which will have an impact for years to come," said Tony Mahon, Project Director and Faculty Director for International Development.



RESEARCH PROJECT GAINS NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Canterbury Christ Church University is leading on a £1.5m research project to establish how discussion in the school classroom can embrace Big Questions across science, religion and artificial intelligence.

The LASAR (Learning about Science and Religion) and Education teams at Christ Church will encourage children's interest in a wide range of questions and give more of an insight into how different areas of knowledge interact.

The Epistemic Insight Initiative, funded by the Templeton World Charity Foundation, the Royal Academy of Engineering, the National Collaborative Outreach Programme, All Saints Educational Trust and institutional funds, will be used to create a curriculum framework for primary and secondary schools.



SUPPORTING GRADUATES INTO EMPLOYMENT

A major project to support our graduates into employment in Kent and Medway, while boosting graduate jobs in the region, is underway thanks to funding from the Office for Students (OfS).

Christ Church was the only university in the South East to secure funding in the OfS Challenge Competition, which allocated £5.6m nationally.

Our Enterprise and Employability team is partnering with local organisations to provide coaching programmes, an enhanced recruitment service and post-employment support that increases opportunities for graduate employment. The fund aims to level the playing field for graduates who need, or choose, to stay close to home and to aid social mobility by encouraging universities to work with employers to make better use of graduate skills.

TRANSFORMING LIVES



ALUMNA WINS KENT TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Harriet Burrowes won the Newly Qualified Teacher of the Year title at the Kent Messenger Teacher of the Year Awards in May 2019. Now a teacher at St John's Church of England Primary School in Canterbury, Harriet recently studied BA (Hons) Primary Education at Christ Church.

Harriet has helped to enrich the school's education provision by undertaking Special Educational Needs (SEN) training, supporting after-school clubs, helping to develop a new vision statement and behaviour policy, and participating in initiatives to support her pupils' wellbeing.



RESEARCH CENTRE NAMED A NATIONAL LIFESAVER

Universities UK named the Sidney De Haan Research Centre for Arts and Health a national lifesaver in its 2019 campaign. For more than a decade, researchers at the Centre have investigated the benefits of singing to the health and mental wellbeing of people with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD). The research earned the Centre a place as one of the top 100 individuals or groups based in UK universities whose work is saving lives.

The research found that regular singing helped participants improve their social and physiological wellbeing, as well as changing their breathing patterns to reduce breathlessness. The team is now working with Medway Community Healthcare Respiratory Team and academics from the School of Sport and Exercise Sciences at the University of Kent to study the benefits of regular group singing for people with COPD in Medway.



CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF NURSING

We are celebrating 30 years of nursing education at Christ Church.

Our nursing programmes started in 1989 and we have since trained thousands of nurses in the fields of adult, child and mental health nursing. Graduates who studied at our Canterbury and Medway campuses, have gone on to careers within local health and social care workforces, nationally and internationally in a range of roles and settings.

A number of our nursing alumni joined staff and current students to take part in a series of videos to mark the anniversary. They discussed the history of nursing, today's nursing experience and the future of the profession. Our alumni also shared their own personal experiences of nursing and gave their advice to people who are considering nursing as a career.

To find out more, go to canterbury.ac.uk/30-years-of-nursing



GROUND-BREAKING RESEARCH REVEALS IMPACT OF CHAPLAINS ON CAMPUS

The work of university chaplains has a significant positive effect on the wellbeing of students, according to new research in 2019.

Our University Dean of Chapel, Reverend Dr Jeremy Law, collaborated with academics from Coventry University and Durham University to complete the study.

The research, which is the first of its kind in the UK, showed that chaplaincy work makes a significant contribution to individual student's university experiences and to the sense of community within their institutions.

OUR COMMUNITY



MARKING 30 YEARS OF WORLD HERITAGE STATUS

We proudly celebrated Canterbury's rich heritage with a series of events to mark the city's 30th year as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Canterbury Cathedral, St Martin's Church, and the ruins of the Abbey of St Augustine, which is now partially occupied by our North Holmes Campus, were added to the list of UNESCO World Heritage Sites in 1989.

Working with local organisations including the Canterbury Society, Canterbury Cathedral and St Martin's Church, we hosted a series of events and activities to celebrate our close links with our city's past. These included a two-day conference to highlight Canterbury's inspiring heritage and consider how it can be preserved for future generations. The conference concluded with a spectacular light show projected on St Augustine's Abbey.



CELEBRATING CREATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

We were proud to be Partner of one of the world's best-known visual arts prizes, the Turner Prize, hosted in 2019 by Turner Contemporary in Margate.

This exciting partnership built on our long-standing and wide-ranging collaboration with Turner Contemporary, which has delivered a series of major knowledge exchange projects since 2011, creating bold new research and widening participation in the arts.

Our commitment to the creative industries is also built on a strong foundation of engagement with cultural activities within our communities. We have been the Partner and Principal Sponsor of the Canterbury Festival, Kent's leading international arts festival, for ten years.

We are also working with the visionary arts charity, the Creative Foundation, to deliver Folkestone Book Festival, an annual ten-day event where the public can engage with writers and attend creative workshops.



PRIDE IN OUR COMMUNITY

Celebrating and encouraging diversity is key to our values and the education and opportunities we offer our students. Canterbury's Pride Festival brings our city together to show support for each other without discrimination or prejudice. We are delighted to support the event through sponsorship and active participation.

The annual festival celebrates the LGBT+ community and is attended by thousands of people. Staff and students from across our University community, including representatives from the Students' Union, take part in the festival's main event – a parade through the city centre.

HONORARY DOCTORS & FELLOWS

2018/19



LORD ALAN HOWARTH
OF NEWPORT CBE PC
Honorary Doctor
President of the Culture,
Health and Wellbeing Alliance



COLIN CARMICHAEL
Honorary Doctor
Chief Executive of
Canterbury City Council



LYNNE OWENS CBE QPM
Honorary Doctor
Director General of the
National Crime Agency



CATHERINE PAYNTER
(NEE SPENCER)
Honorary Doctor
Former Captain of England
Women's Rugby Union team



PROFESSOR ABDOL TAVABIE
Honorary Fellow
Former GP and Postgraduate Medical
Education Dean for Health Education,
Kent, Surrey and Sussex

GOVERNORS & OFFICERS

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NEW PROFESSORS, READERS AND PRINCIPAL LECTURERS

PROFESSORS

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Politics and Sociology

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Christ Church Business School

Dr Gemma Van Vuuren-Cassar
School of Childhood and
Education Sciences

ACCOUNTS AND STATISTICS

2018/2019

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2019

	2019	2018
	£000	£000
INCOME		
Tuition fees and education contracts	96,736	100,003
Funding body grants	8,796	9,780
Research grants and contracts	1,554	2,148
Other income	18,792	18,803
Investment income	200	140
Total income	126,078	130,874
EXPENDITURE		
Staff costs	73,718	75,351
Interest and other finance costs	1,849	1,539
Other operating expenses	46,962	47,012
Depreciation	7,785	8,092
Total Expenditure	130,314	131,994

OUR STAFF

Average number of FTE staff for the year ending July 2019

Academic staff	Professional Service staff	Administration & Central Services staff	Total staff
630	705	172	1,507

OUR STUDENTS

AGE

	full-time	%	part-time	%	total	% total
Under 18	16	0.1	0	0	16	0.1
18-20	4,805	33.3	211	1.5	5,016	34.7
21-24	2,655	17.4	474	3.1	3,129	20.5
25-29	1,138	7.3	621	3.7	1,759	11
30+	2,075	13.7	2,818	19.9	4,893	33.6
Total	10,689	71.8	4,125	28.2	14,814	100

GEOGRAPHICAL ORIGIN

	full-time	%	part-time	%	total	% total
England	4,027	27.2	1,583	10.5	5,610	37.7
England (Kent and Medway)	6,045	40.5	2,271	15.8	8,316	56.3
Scotland	13	0.1	9	0.1	22	0.1
Wales	28	0.2	8	0.1	36	0.2
Northern Ireland	16	0.1	33	0.2	49	0.3
Guernsey, Jersey and the Isle of Man	6	0	11	0.1	17	0.1
UK region unknown	6	0	2	0	8	0.1
European Union	408	2.8	91	0.7	499	3.4
Other European countries	15	0.1	5	0	20	0.1
International	125	0.8	112	0.8	237	1.6
Total	10,689	71.8	4,125	28.2	14,814	100

MODE OF STUDY

	No. students	%
Full-time	10,689	71.8
Part-time	4,125	28.2
Total	14,814	100

FACULTY

	No. students	%
Arts and Humanities	2,445	16.5
Education	4,430	29.9
Health and Wellbeing	3,863	26.1
Social and Applied Sciences	3,986	26.9
Other	90	0.6
Total	14,814	100

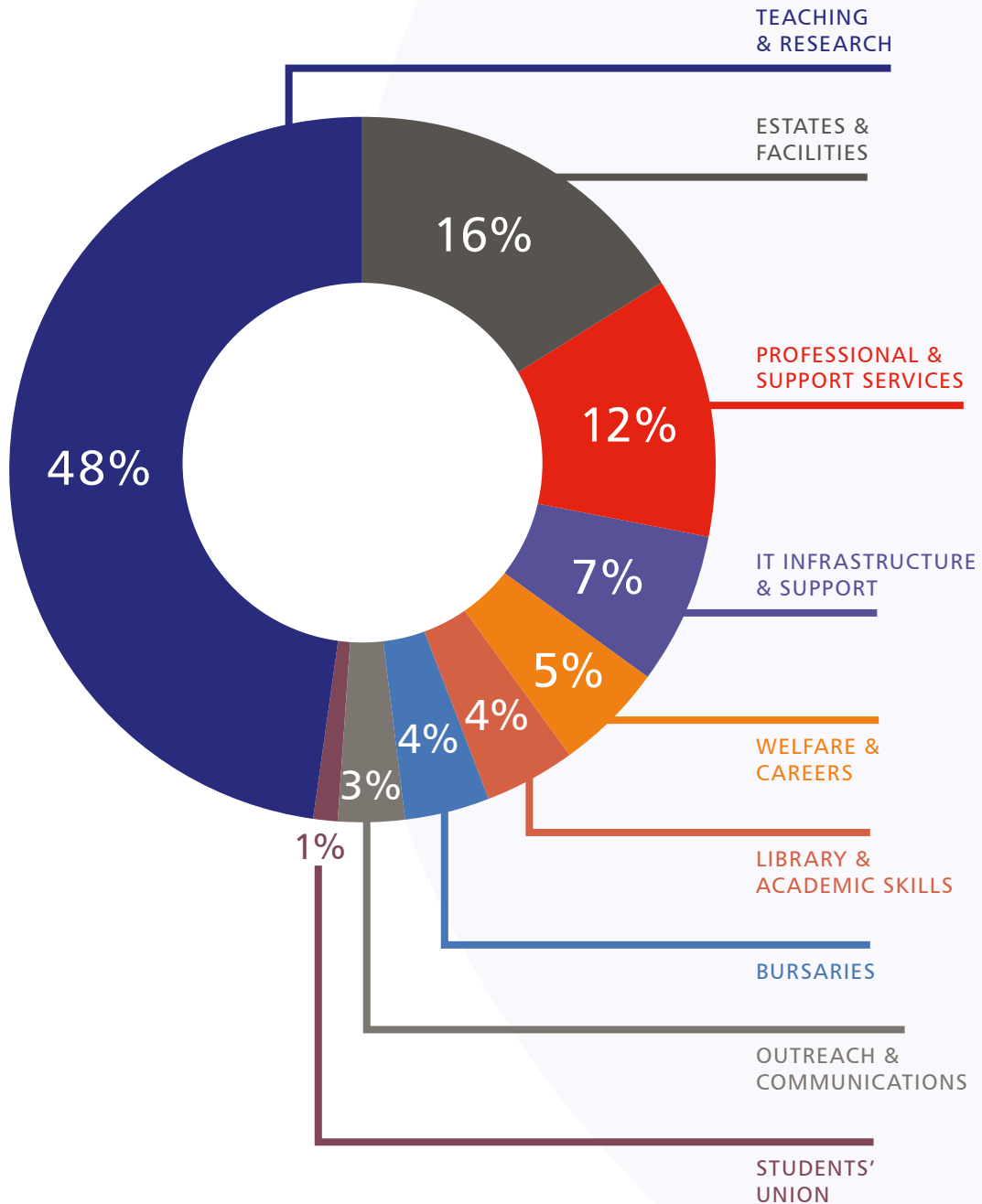
EXIT QUALIFICATION

	No. students	%
Doctorate	71	1.8
First degree	2,292	54.7
Foundation degree	70	1.8
HND/DipHE	35	0.8
Other higher degree	197	4.6
Other postgraduate	304	7.5
Other undergraduate	704	18.7
Postgraduate Certificate in Education	349	8.9
Professional Graduate Certificate in Education	49	1.1
Total	4,071	100

TUITION FEE BREAKDOWN 2018/2019

TOTAL UNDERGRADUATE FEE

£9,250



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