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University of Kent

Centre for Health Services Studies



APPLIED HEALTH RESEARCH MSc



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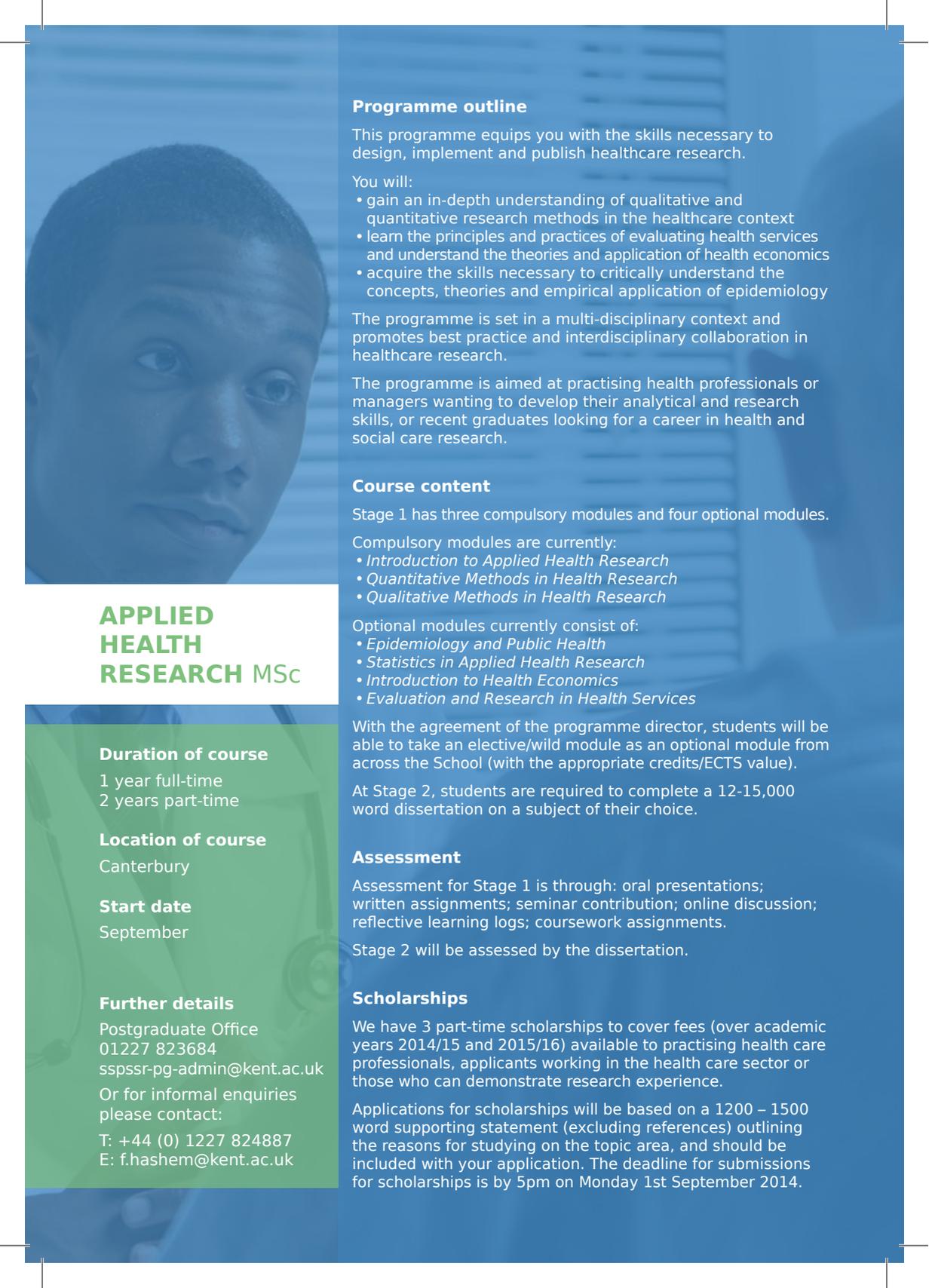
Rated 3rd for overall satisfaction in a recent National Student Survey

ABOUT US

The University of Kent offers a very special experience. Ranked in the top 20 universities in the UK, it is widely recognised as being an international leader in research.

Built on 300 acres of parkland, our Canterbury campus is self contained, with a lively social life centred on the Students' Union, nightclub, societies, and sports clubs. It is also just a short walk from the city centre and train station which benefits from the high-speed rail service connecting to London St Pancras in under an hour.

CHSS is part of the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research - one of the top academic schools in the country ranked 4th for social science research in the most recent Research Assessment Exercise



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Duration of course

1 year full-time
2 years part-time

Location of course

Canterbury

Start date

September

Further details

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Programme outline

This programme equips you with the skills necessary to design, implement and publish healthcare research.

You will:

- gain an in-depth understanding of qualitative and quantitative research methods in the healthcare context
- learn the principles and practices of evaluating health services and understand the theories and application of health economics
- acquire the skills necessary to critically understand the concepts, theories and empirical application of epidemiology

The programme is set in a multi-disciplinary context and promotes best practice and interdisciplinary collaboration in healthcare research.

The programme is aimed at practising health professionals or managers wanting to develop their analytical and research skills, or recent graduates looking for a career in health and social care research.

Course content

Stage 1 has three compulsory modules and four optional modules.

Compulsory modules are currently:

- *Introduction to Applied Health Research*
- *Quantitative Methods in Health Research*
- *Qualitative Methods in Health Research*

Optional modules currently consist of:

- *Epidemiology and Public Health*
- *Statistics in Applied Health Research*
- *Introduction to Health Economics*
- *Evaluation and Research in Health Services*

With the agreement of the programme director, students will be able to take an elective/wild module as an optional module from across the School (with the appropriate credits/ECTS value).

At Stage 2, students are required to complete a 12-15,000 word dissertation on a subject of their choice.

Assessment

Assessment for Stage 1 is through: oral presentations; written assignments; seminar contribution; online discussion; reflective learning logs; coursework assignments.

Stage 2 will be assessed by the dissertation.

Scholarships

We have 3 part-time scholarships to cover fees (over academic years 2014/15 and 2015/16) available to practising health care professionals, applicants working in the health care sector or those who can demonstrate research experience.

Applications for scholarships will be based on a 1200 – 1500 word supporting statement (excluding references) outlining the reasons for studying on the topic area, and should be included with your application. The deadline for submissions for scholarships is by 5pm on Monday 1st September 2014.