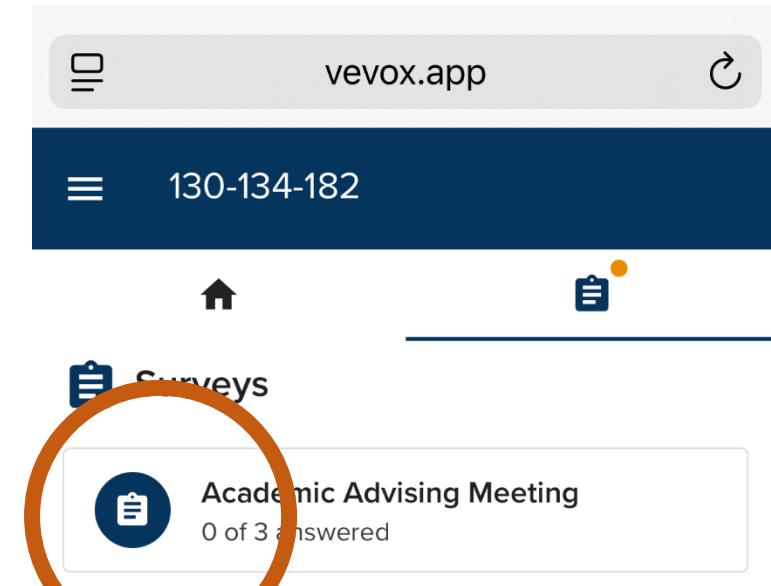
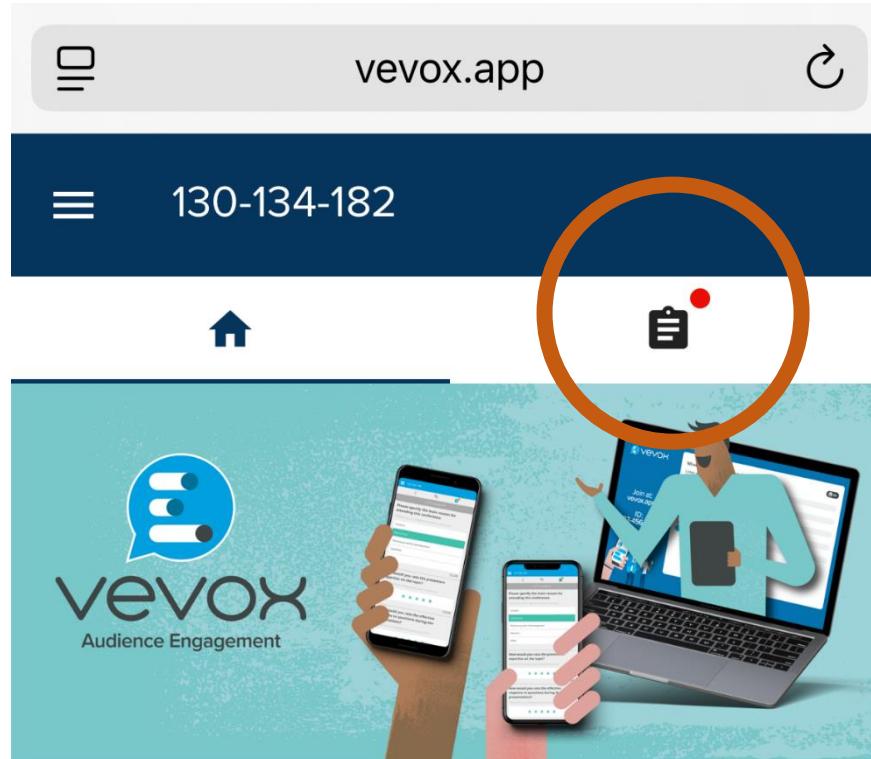
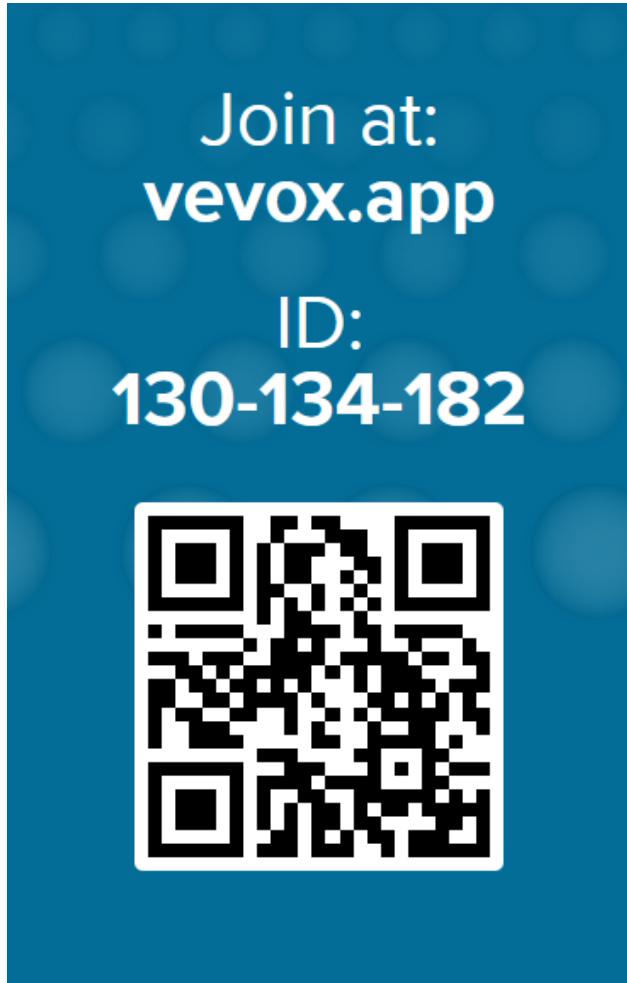


# Academic Advising and Language Mentoring

Find out more about the support we can provide to you as an Academic Adviser, as well as the wider support provided by the University.



# Register your Attendance



# Welcome to Kent!

## What is an Academic Adviser?

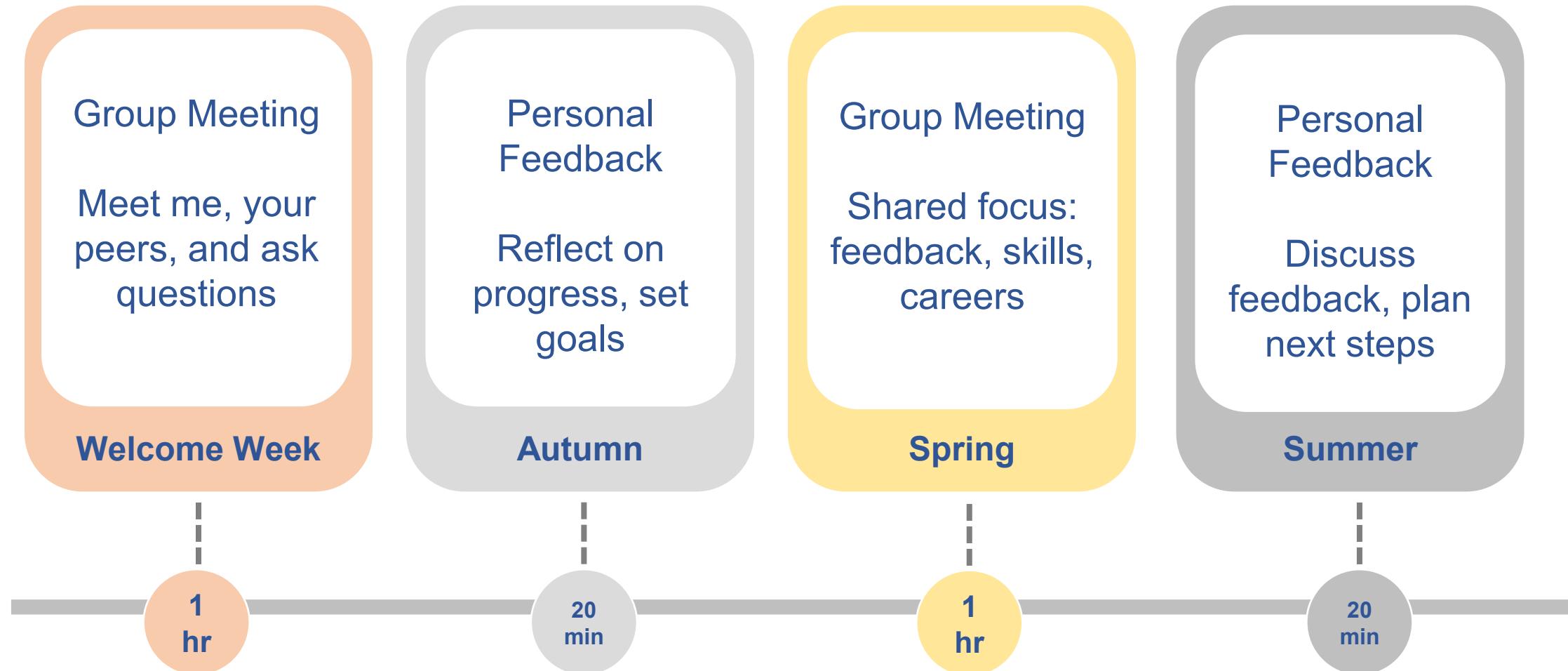
- An Academic Adviser is here to support your **academic progress, personal development, and professional readiness**.
- Every student at Kent has an Academic Adviser. **Your Academic Adviser** will follow your progress for the entire length of your time at Kent.
- The Academic Adviser is a member of staff of the Language Centre and is here to **support you** as your first point of call

## What is a Language Mentor?

- A member of staff of the Language Centre
- You will have one per language that you study
- One of them will also be your academic adviser
- Is here to support you progression in the language that you are studying

# Academic Adviser Meetings

All meetings appear in your **Presto Timetable**. You can also request extra meetings if needed



# Language Mentor Meetings

Each term:

- Three meetings with your mentor. One-to-one or group meetings
  - One of these meetings will coincide with the academic adviser meeting
  - You can request one at any point, otherwise they will be arranged by the mentor
- Attendance is monitored by mentors
- Progress is logged on a shared Word file in Teams (Language Portfolio)
- The mentor will help you with everything that's language related such as:
  - Establishing starting level
  - Setting goals, monitoring progress
  - Navigating language gym materials
  - Choosing immersion modules for stages 2 and 3
  - Supervising Language Lab projects 1 and 2 (and future project modules)
  - Navigating language changes

# Presto Timetable

Shall we try accessing your Presto Timetable?

## Step 1:

Scan the QR code on this slide to open **Presto**.

## Step 2:

You will see your timetable. Click the **calendar symbol** to view future dates.

## Step 3:

To record your attendance:

Select the event you are attending.

Enter the **code** your lecturer or adviser provides at the start of the session.

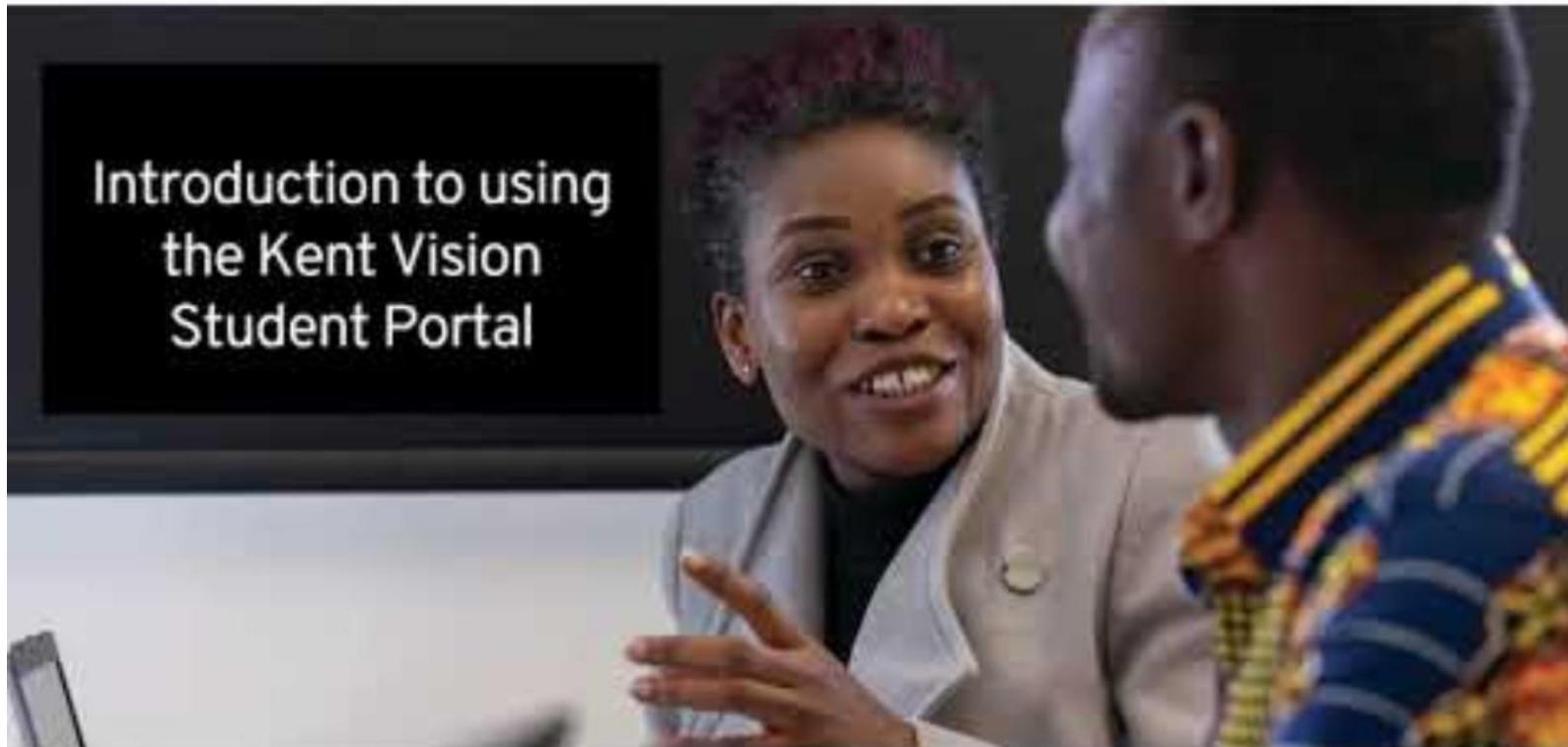


# Registering Attendance

- You must record your attendance at **all timetabled and scheduled events**, including your Academic Advising meetings.
- You do this by scanning the **QR code** or entering the **short text code** provided during the session. Speak to the lecturer at the start or end of the session if you have trouble registering your attendance.
- If you cannot attend a timetabled session, you must register **your absence** in **Presto**.
- When absent for an advising meeting, you must contact your Academic Adviser **as soon as possible** to let them know and reschedule.

The image consists of two screenshots of the University of Kent Presto system. The top screenshot shows a weekly calendar view for July 15-19, 2024. The calendar grid shows various lecture sessions for the course SWKX5007. The bottom screenshot shows the 'Absence' registration form, where a user is selecting a reason from a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu includes options such as 'Bereavement', 'Interview', 'Jury Service', 'Medical', 'Personal', 'Sporting Event Participation', 'Apprentice employment', 'Apprentice employment annual leave', and 'Apprentice self-certified illness'.

# How to use KentVision



⌚ Please note that your attendance should be registered in **Presto**, not Moodle.

# Assessments and Feedback

Deadlines for assessments will be advertised well in advance on:



- Your **Module Convenor** will guide you on where and how to submit your work.
- It is your responsibility to manage your time and meet coursework deadlines.
- Most modules are assessed by a combination of coursework and exams, though some may differ (e.g. 100% coursework).

Your **Academic Adviser** will support you in understanding your feedback, reflect on your progress, and plan how to improve in future assessments.

Your **Language Mentor** will support you in preparing for language assessments, understand your feedback and which skills to focus on to progress to the next levels



# Your Voice Matters

## 🎙 Your Voice at Kent

Your feedback matters – it helps us improve the University experience for you and future students.

Share your views through **Student Reps**, who attend termly **Student Voice Forums** with staff.

Reps raise themes and ideas **anonymously**, so your input is safe and valued.

Together, Kent Union and the University work in partnership to act on feedback at **Subject, School, and Institutional levels**.

Getting involved means you can shape your course, build community, and gain transferable skills – plus earn Employability Points and leadership experience.

👉 **Speak to or become a Student Rep and help shape Kent.**



**SCAN ME**

# Expectations

## You are expected to...

Take guidance from your lecturers and academic advisers.

Study independently.

Submit coursework by the deadline and learn from feedback.

Attend all lectures, tutorials, workshops, labs and academic adviser meetings.

Actively participate in group discussion.

Know and follow all academic standards.

## What should you expect from University...

- Guidance from your lectures, module convenors and academic adviser.
- Offered support when you need it.
- Clear and concise instructions on deadlines and coursework.
- Opportunities to enhance your independent study, such as academic papers.
- Employability and careers advice .

# Finding the teams that can help

**There are lots of resources and people to help you as a student.  
If you have questions and are not sure where to start, then ask Nexus.**



Start by checking the webpages - use the search tool at the top right to find the information you need -  
<https://student.kent.ac.uk/>



Visit a **Nexus Information Desk** if you need help finding information, need guidance or would like to speak to someone directly.



**Nexus** will get you in contact with the right team if you need individual advice and need to speak to someone privately.



**Nexus** will also get you in contact with more specialist services if you need specialist support or advice.

Need help? Ask Nexus 



**Get in contact:** Email, call, or drop-in and visit in Sibson building, Templeman Library, or Medway Building.

# Kent Students' Union

Website: [KSU.co.uk](http://KSU.co.uk)  
Email: [Hello@KSU.co.uk](mailto>Hello@KSU.co.uk)

## 🌟 Supporting Your Student Journey

We're here to support, represent, and empower you throughout your time at Kent.

## 🗣 Your Student Voice

We make sure your views are heard across the University and beyond.

FLAG Campaigning for better facilities, academic improvements, and key student issues.

## 🤝 Find Your Community

Join one of hundreds of student-led societies and sports clubs.

✨ Can't find your niche? We'll help you start your own group.

## 🌐 Get the Support You Need

CHAT Free, confidential Advice Service – housing, academic, money matters & more.

🎉 Social spaces & events: Woody's Bar, The Venue, and beyond.

## 🎓 Led By You

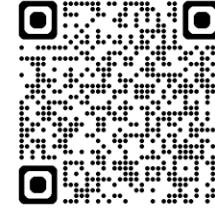
Run by students, for students – shape the Union by voting, giving feedback, or standing in elections.

## ❤️ Your Student Life, Made Incredible

We're here to help you make memories, build community, and thrive at Kent.



# Student Finance



## Paying Tuition & Accommodation Fees

 Pay online: [Tuition Fees](#) | [Accommodation](#)

 The Student Fee Collections team handles all payments for tuition and campus accommodation.

## Applying for Student Finance

 Apply via: [GOV.UK Student Finance](#)

 Questions about your fee status?

Visit: [Fee Status Support](#)

## Confirming Your Registration

 The Student Funding Office confirms your registration with Student Finance England so your loan is released.

## Emergency Funding Support

 Experiencing a delay in funding? You may be eligible for an [Emergency Short-Term Loan \(ESTL\)](#)

## Need Help or Have a Question?

 Full list of contacts: [Finance Support Contacts](#)



# Engagement Support

**Feeling overwhelmed? Struggling with deadlines? Illness or injury?  
Missing home? These are just some of the things we can help with ...**

Personalised and individual advice and practical support for your specific circumstances. We can help:



If you are struggling to meet (or if you miss) a deadline.



If you are missing a lot of teaching and cannot attend and engage with your studies.



Help if you are finding it hard to navigate life at University.



If you have an issue and need to speak to someone.



If you are worried about another student, and want someone to check-in.



**Get in contact:** Email, call, meet on Teams or in-person by appointment, or drop-in and visit.

# Student Support & Wellbeing

## ❤️ Wellbeing & Mental Health Support

- 🧠 Counselling, mental health advice, and emotional wellbeing guidance.
- 👉 Confidential, non-judgmental support whenever you need it.

## ♿ Disability & Health Support

- 💡 Support for students with disabilities or long-term health conditions.
- 💻 Tailored help to manage your academic journey with confidence.

## 📄 Inclusive Learning Plans (ILPs)

- 📝 Once registered with us, we'll work with you to create an ILP
- ⚖️ Includes reasonable adjustments for your studies and assessments.
- 🔗 Find out more about [Inclusive Learning Plans](#).

## 🛡️ Specialist Support & Safeguarding

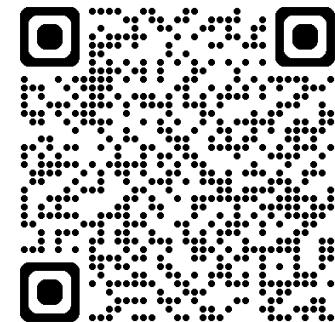
- 🚫 Help with issues such as harassment, sexual violence, bullying, discrimination, or hate incidents.

## 📢 Report and Support Tool

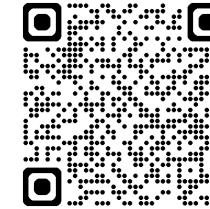
- 🔒 Report concerns anonymously or with your name:
- 🌐 Visit: [ReportAndSupport.kent.ac.uk](http://ReportAndSupport.kent.ac.uk)

## 📞 Get in Touch

- Visit: [Kent.ac.uk/student-support](http://Kent.ac.uk/student-support)
- Email: [KentSSW@kent.ac.uk](mailto:KentSSW@kent.ac.uk)



# Skills for Academic Success



## Build Core Academic Skills

- 🧠 Critical thinking, academic writing, referencing, time management, communication & more.
- ÷ Get support with Maths & Stats for courses with quantitative elements.

## Support for Every Student

- 🎓 From Foundation to PhD – we're here for all students, whatever your background or experience.

## How to Access Support

- 🔑 1:1 appointments, skill-specific workshops, and online resources.
- 👥 Peer support also available via Peer-Assisted Learning (PAL).

## Top Tip: Stay Organised!

- 📅 Free time planners available – get yours from the SAS team.



## Get in Touch

- Website: [Skills for Academic Success \(SAS\)](#)
- Book: [Book an Appointment with SAS](#)
- Email: [Sas@kent.ac.uk](mailto:Sas@kent.ac.uk)
- [Peer-Assisted Learning – What is PAL?](#)

# Library Services



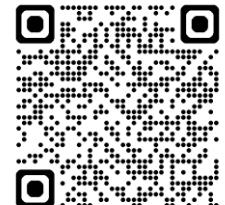
## Find Out More

Webpage: [Library Services](#)

[Meet your Librarian](#)

Moodle: [Module: Library e-induction | 2025](#)

Email: [AcademicLibrary@kent.ac.uk](mailto:AcademicLibrary@kent.ac.uk)



## Access Resources for Free

Millions of books, e-resources, journals & films – borrow, don't buy.



## Explore the Digital Library

E-books, databases, film streaming & more – available anytime, anywhere.



## Boost Your Research Skills

Learn how to find, evaluate & use information effectively.



## Subject Librarians

Get expert, tailored support for your subject area.



## Spaces That Suit You

From silent desks to group rooms – study your way.



## Supporting Your Wellbeing

Relax with our Love to Read collection, events & exhibitions.

# Kent IT



## IT Services – What You Need to Know from Day One

 Scan the QR for your go-to guide to digital tools & services supporting your studies.

### Activate your IT Account & Get Connected

Activate your Kent IT account as soon as you're enrolled.

 Set up **Eduroam Wi-Fi** for free, secure campus access.

 *Top tip: Do this during Welcome Week so you're ready from day one.*

### Free Software & Tools

Download **Microsoft 365**, use **OneDrive**, and access other course tools.

 *Top tip: Install on up to 5 devices for free.*

### Printing on Campus

Use your **KentOne ID card** to print, scan & copy.

 *Top tip: Top up print credit and check queues online.*

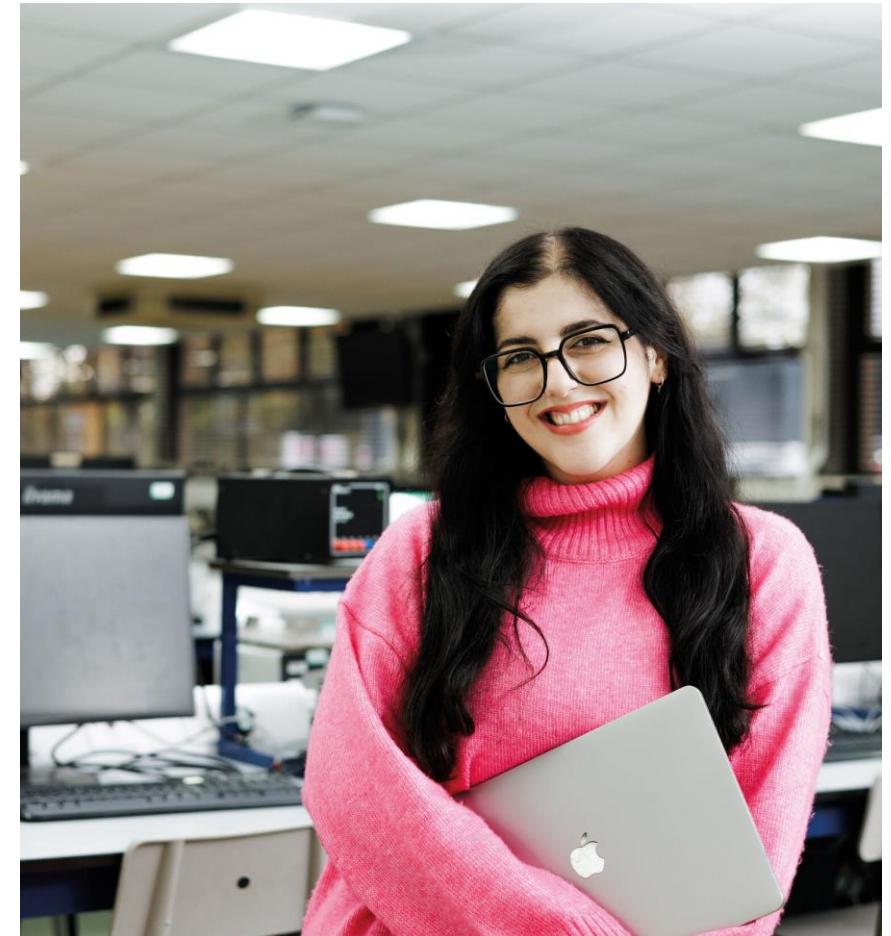
### IT Support When & Where You Need It

Get help online, by phone, or at the **IT helpdesk**.

### Digital Study Tools & Tech

Explore equipment & tools to work smarter.

 *Top tip: Search "IT Services" on the Kent website to see what's free.*



**Webpage:** [Kent IT for students](#)

# Careers & Employability Services

## Careers Advice & Guidance

1:1 support with CVs, interviews, applications & more.

## Skills & Confidence Building

Workshops, events & mock interviews to prepare for work or further study.

## Online Tools & Resources

Explore opportunities via the **Careers Hub** and Moodle module.

## Mentoring & Employability Points

Join the Mentoring Programme or earn rewards through the Employability Points Scheme.

## Explore Opportunities

Find part-time jobs, placements, volunteering & graduate roles.

## Business Start-up Support

ASPIRE supports anyone interested in starting or developing their own business. Contact [ASPIRE@kent.ac.uk](mailto:ASPIRE@kent.ac.uk)

## Get Involved

Webpage: [Careers & Employability Service](#)



# Student Success



## 🎯 Our Mission

⚖️ We acknowledge that the University of Kent has risks to the equality of opportunity for our students.

❤️ Our mission is to provide a university experience that is inclusive and equitable.

## 📚 What We Offer

🔧 Workshops & Skills Programmes – Build confidence and develop key academic skills.

🎤 Inspirational Speakers – Be inspired by diverse voices and experiences.

## 🏅 Diversity Mark

📖 Helping to ensure inclusive, representative teaching.

🤝 Opportunities to get involved as a Diversity Mark Officer.

## 🤝 Belonging & Community

👋 Inductions and term-time events to connect with your peers and build your place at Kent.



## ➡️ Get Involved

🌐 Webpage: [Student Success](#)

✉️ Email: [StudentSuccess@kent.ac.uk](mailto:StudentSuccess@kent.ac.uk)

# Important email addresses

**Nexus** staff can help with any query, signposting you in the right direction.

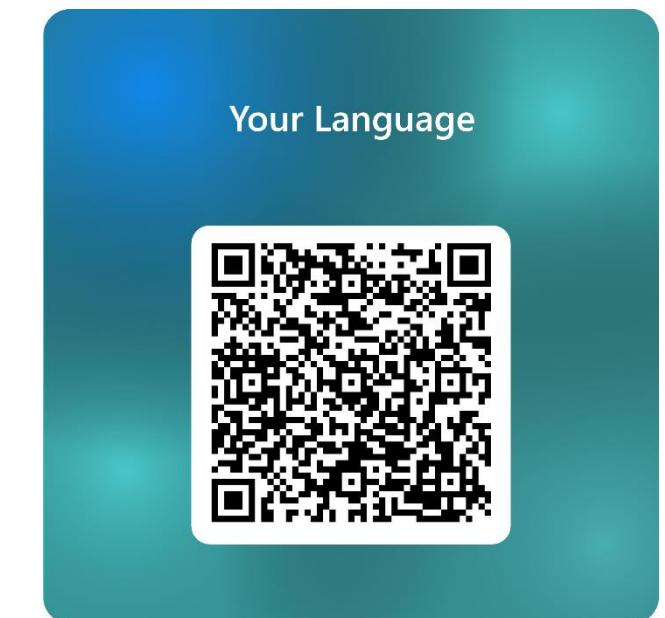
<b>Engagement Support</b>	<a href="mailto:EngagementSupport@kent.ac.uk">EngagementSupport@kent.ac.uk</a>	We provide all taught students with personalised and individual advice and practical support for your specific circumstances.
<b>Employability and Placements</b>	<a href="mailto:CareerHelp@kent.ac.uk">CareerHelp@kent.ac.uk</a>	We can help with specialist careers advice as well as employability and placement development and support.
<b>Student Voice, Events and Experience</b>	<a href="mailto:StudentExperience@kent.ac.uk">StudentExperience@kent.ac.uk</a>	We can help with questions about Student Voice Forums, student representation, module evaluations, academic communities, events and student feedback.
<b>Course administration</b>	<a href="mailto:ProgAdmin@kent.ac.uk">ProgAdmin@kent.ac.uk</a>	We are responsible for all UG, and PGT student administration including timetabling and exams processes.
<b>IT and Technical services</b>	<a href="mailto:HelpDesk@kent.ac.uk">HelpDesk@kent.ac.uk</a>	We can help with IT support requests including email and software, IT in teaching spaces, and provision of computer hardware for staff in the Division as well as questions about campus buildings, furniture and telephones.

Do you have any questions?



# Meet you Adviser and Mentors!

- Pop by the following room(s). If you plan to study 2 languages, change room after half an hour. These are drop-in sessions, don't worry about being late or early!
- CNW seminar 2: SPANISH, William Rowlandson
- CNW seminar 5: FRENCH, Larry Duffy
- CNW seminar 6: JAPANESE, Mano Suzuki
- CNW seminar 7: MANDARIN, Ru Su
- CNW seminar 8: ARABIC, Maggie Awadalla
- CNW seminar 9: ITALIAN and GERMAN, Alvise Sforza Tarabochia\*



\* Replacing Tobias Heinrich for the first 3 weeks of term